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COMMISSIONERS NAME NEW DEPARTMENT HEADS FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

WELD COUNTY, CO – The Board of Weld County Commissioners has announced two new department appointments in the wake of the loss of long-time Public Works Director Pat Persichino. Persichino, who worked for the county for 32 years, passed away unexpectedly last week at his home; he was 66 years old.

Weld County Engineer David Bauer has been named as the Director of Public Works, and Building Maintenance Coordinator Toby Taylor will serve as the Director of Buildings and Grounds, Veterans Services and Special Projects.

“We are confident that Dave and Toby will continue to lead these departments efficiently and effectively,” said Commissioner Chairman Sean Conway.



Bauer, who has his Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in Geology from Rutgers University and Florida State University respectively, has worked with the county for seven years. “I started with the county as a senior engineer handling primarily drainage and floodplain issues,” said Bauer. “I was then promoted to Chief Senior Engineer in 2007 and County Engineer in 2009.” Prior to coming to Weld County, Bauer worked in the oil industry as an exploration geologist and production manager as well as environmental and mining consultant. In addition to degrees in Geology, Bauer also has a Bachelor’s degree in Civil Engineering from Colorado State University and completed some graduate studies in management through Tulane University. Bauer serves as the Weld County “Local Government Designee” for notifications from the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and serves as the Weld County Representative to the Big Dry Creek Watershed Association and the MS4 Program.



Taylor has worked with Weld County for four and one-half years as the Coordinator for Buildings and Grounds which oversees the maintenance activities, remodels and energy efficiency upgrades for the county. “The Buildings and Grounds Department is comprised of carpentry, custodial, electrical, plumbing, grounds and heating, ventilation and air conditioning maintenance,” explained Taylor. “The department is also responsible for the Missile Site Park, Veterans Services and Special Projects.” Taylor, who has a Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Southwestern College and Associate of Applied Science degrees in Electrical Systems Technology and Instructor of Technology, is currently pursuing a Master’s in Business Administration. Taylor, who will also serve as the Director of Veterans Services, is a retired veteran himself – having honorably served 20 years in the United States Air Force where he oversaw electrical, instrumentation, facility and communications maintenance for nuclear missile systems and support facilities.

Bauer’s and Taylor’s appointments will be effective on July 23, 2012, following official action by the Board of Commissioners during the Monday Board meeting.

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