Minutes
Board of County Commissioners
Regular Meeting

August 5, 2025

1. 9:00 - Call to the Public

The “Call to the Public” agenda item is a time when the community members may bring forth items of interest or concern that are not already on the day’s agenda. If you would like to speak about an agenda item, please hold your comments until that time in the meeting. The format is presentation, but the BOCC or staff may answer straightforward questions, and the Chair may limit speaker time to 3 minutes. No formal action may be taken on topics raised in Call to the Public due to Colorado Open Meetings Law. Any topics that require back-and-forth dialogue will be referred to commissioners or staff for discussion outside the meeting or placed on a future work session or agenda for action. Written comments can be submitted electronically via our website.

Commissioner Niece opened the meeting.
Commissioner Padgett was not present for the beginning of the meeting.
Commissioner Niece noted Commissioner Padgett's delay.

No public comment.

Board recessed for a break - 9:02 AM

2. 9:30 - Consent Agenda

M/S/P Motion was made by Michelle Nauer and seconded by Lynn Padgett to Approve the Consent Agenda, items a through e. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

a. Request for approval of Expenditures:

b. Request for ratification of the Interim County Manager's signature on the Letter of Intent to potentially place a ballot question in the 2025 Election:

c. Request for ratification of the Interim County Manager's signature on the SOW and MSA with High Point Networks for the Video Conference Systems for Meeting Rooms:

d. Request for approval and authorization of the Commissioners' and the Sheriff's signatures on the Letter of Support for the Crystal Reservoir proposed Conveyance:

e. Request for approval and authorization of the Commissioner's signatures on Letter of Support for Region 10 Enterprise Zone Redesignation Application:

3. 9:35 - General Business

a. Request for Approval and Authorization of Board signatures on the "Thank You" letter for Tip-Top Mining Claim:

All three Commissioners discussed the "thank you" letter.

M/S/P Motion was made by Michelle Nauer and seconded by Lynn Padgett to Approve and Authorize Board Signatures on the "Thank You" letter to Stan Frymann for the Tip-Top Mining Claim Donation. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

b. Request for adoption of **Resolution 2025-025** approving the combined preliminary/final development plant for the Deer Haven Limited PUD:

Commissioner Nauer asked for a correction to the name of the subdivision, which incorrectly listed the Meadow View Subdivision rather than the Deer Haven Subdivision.

M/S/P Motion was made by Michelle Nauer and seconded by Lynn Padgett to Adopt Resolution 2025-025 approving the combined preliminary/final development plan for the Deer Haven Limited PUD, with the correction mentioned. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

4. 10:00 - The Board of County Commissioners will convene as the Board of Human Services to consider the following items:

The Board of County Commissioners convened as the Board of Human Services.

a. Request for approval of the following reports and authorization of the Chair's signature on certification page:

1. Balance Sheet:
2. Earned Revenue and Expenditures:
3. Expenditures through Electronic Benefit Transfers:
4. Check Register for the Month of June:
5. County Allocation/MOE Report:

Presented by Linnea Edwards, Ouray County Director of Human Services.

M/S/P Motion was made by Lynn Padgett and seconded by Michelle Nauer to Approve the Balance Sheet for May 2025, Earned Revenue and Expenditures for May 2025, Expenditures through Electronic Benefit Transfers for June 2025, Check Register for June 2025, and the County Allocation/MOE report for May 2025 and authorize the Chair's signature on the Certification Page. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

b. Caseload Report: June 2025

Presented by Linnea Edwards, Ouray County Director of Human Services. Commissioner Padgett and Director Edwards discussed federal Medicaid cuts and the effects on women, and local providers who can use Medicaid.

All three Commissioners and Director Edwards discussed changes being made to Medicaid through the mega-bill passed through Congress.

No action was taken on this item.

c. Request for Approval of the 2025/2026 Ouray and San Miguel Core Services Plan and authorization of the Chair's and Human Services Director's Signatures:

Presented by Linnea Edwards, Ouray County Director of Human Services.

M/S/P Motion was made by Michelle Nauer and seconded by Lynn Padgett to Approve the 2025/2026 Ouray and San Miguel Core Services Plan and Authorize the Chair's and the Human Services Director's signatures. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

5. 10:30 - 15 Minute Break

9:54 AM - Board Recessed for a Break

6. 10:45 - The Board of County Commissioners will convene as the Board of Health to consider the following items

The Board of County Commissioners convened as the Board of Health.

a. Public Health Director Update:

Presented by Kristin Kelley, Ouray County Public Health Director.

Commissioner Padgett and Director Kelley discussed women's healthcare, access to care locally and the changes to Medicaid through the mega-bill passed through Congress. They also discussed programs that are being implemented by the department.

b. Request to approve and sign MOU between OCPHA and Voyager Youth Program - Fourth Amendment to Agreement, Communities that Care Grant Program for Youth Substance Abuse Prevention:

Presented by Kristin Kelley, Ouray County Public Health Director.

M/S/P Motion was made by Lynn Padgett and seconded by Michelle Nauer to Approve the MOU between OCPHA and Voyager Youth Program - Fourth Amendment to the Agreement, Communities that Care Grant Program for Youth Substance Abuse Prevention and authorize the Chair's Signature. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

c. Request for approval and signature on Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Grant:

Presented by Kristin Kelley, Ouray County Public Health Director.

Commissioner Niece asked for the point of contact to be updated from the previous County Manager.

M/S/P Motion was made by Michelle Nauer and seconded by Lynn Padgett to Approve the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Grant and Authorize the Chair's Signature. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

10:40 AM - Board Recessed for a Break.

7. 11:15 - Ty Barger, Road and Bridge Superintendent

a. Road and Bridge Report:

Presented by Ty Barger, Road and Bridge Superintendent.

Commissioners and Superintendent Barger discussed County Road 8, the RFP for the new fuel equipment, traffic control, and the potholes at the entrance to County Road 23 from Highway 550.
Superintendent Barger continued with his traffic control plan for the upcoming weeks.
Commissioner Padgett and Superintendent Barger discussed traffic control regarding the current work on the escarpment road.
All three commissioners and Superintendent Barger discussed plans to install a rumble strip on County Road 1.

8. 11:45 - Victim's Advocate

a. Victim's Advocate / Trauma Support Update:

Presented by Tabitha Champlin, Ouray County Victim's Advocate.

Commissioner Nauer, Commissioner Niece and Champlin discussed an increase in victim's advocate cases from 2024 to 2025.

b. Request for approval and authorization of Chair’s signature on VALE Grant Application for Budget year 2026 and on the Pre-Grant Form:

Presented by Tabitha Champlin, Ouray County Victim's Advocate.

M/S/P Motion was made by Lynn Padgett and seconded by Michelle Nauer to Approve and Authorize the Chair's signature on the VALE Grant Application for Budget year 2026 and on the Pre-Grant Form. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

c. Request to ratify the Chair's and County Manager's signatures on the Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement Fund Semi-Annual Report Form:

Presented by Tabitha Champlin, Ouray County Victim's Advocate.

M/S/P Motion was made by Lynn Padgett and seconded by Michelle Nauer to Ratify the Chair's and County Manager's signatures on the Victim Assistance and

Law Enforcement Fund Semi-Annual Report Form. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

9. 12:15 - Lunch

11:40 - With no further business, the Board of County Commissioners adjourned.

Those present for the session were Commissioner Padgett, Commissioner Niece, Commissioner Nauer; Kara Rhoades, Interim County Manager; Leo Caselli, County Attorney; Marita Robinson, Deputy County Attorney; Jennifer Peterson, Public Information Officer; Mark Chambers, IT Technician; and Eli Holmes, Executive Assistant I and Deputy Clerk to the Board.

These Minutes were approved on October 7, 2025.

Commissioner	Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
Niece	X			
Nauer	X			
Padgett	X			

Board of County Commissioners of Ouray County, Colorado

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By: Eli Holmes, Deputy Clerk of the Board