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Damon Todd, Clerk and Recorder, Ouray County, CO

Minutes
Board of County Commissioners
Regular Meeting

August 19, 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.

The meeting on August 19, 2025 was called to order at 9:00 AM by the Chair of the Board.

Preston Neill, Town of Ridgway Manager, spoke about the Beaver Creek Diversion Restoration project.

2. **9:30 - Consent Agenda:**

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

   a. Request for approval of Expenditures:

   b. Review and acceptance of July 2025 Public Trustee Report:

   c. Ratification of the Sheriff's decision to move into Stage 2 Fire Restrictions commencing 12:01 am on August 12, 2025, pursuant to **Resolution 2025-022**:

3. **9:35 - General Business:**

   a. Request for approval and authorization of Chair's Signature on the Final Plat of the Mountain Vistas Regular PUD:

Leo Caselli, Ouray County Attorney, spoke about administrative issues with the plat. All three commissioners and Attorney Caselli discussed issues with the plat.

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Padgett to Approve and Authorize the Chair's Signature on the Final Plat of the Mountain Vistas Regular PUD. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

b. Request for approval and authorization of Chair’s signature on Peac Lease Agreement and Addendums, PDS Cost Per Print Agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form for the Administration Department:

All three commissioners and Attorney Caselli discussed the Peac Lease agreements.

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Padgett to Approve and Authorize the Chair's signature on the Peac Lease Agreement and Addendums, PDS Cost Per Print Agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form for the Administration Department. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

c. Request for approval and authorization of Chair’s signature on Peac Lease Agreement and Addendums, PDS Cost Per Print Agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form for the Assessor’s Office:

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Padgett to Approve and Authorize the Chair's signature on the Peac Lease Agreement and Addendums, PDS Cost Per Print Agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form for the Assessor's Office. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

d. Request for approval and authorization of Chair’s signature on Peac Lease Agreement and Addendums, PDS Cost Per Print Agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form for the Sheriff’s Office:

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Padgett to Approve and Authorize the Chair's signature on the Peac Lease Agreement and Addendums, PDS Cost Per Print Agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form for the Sheriff's Office. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

e. Request for approval and authorization of Chair's signature on the Special Event Permit and Agreement for the Annual Imogene Pass Run:

Commissioner Niece, Commissioner Padgett and Attorney Caselli discussed a term in the agreement regarding indemnification for the county, and discussed the authorized agent's personal identifying information being redacted from the agreement.
Commissioner Niece discussed the insurance form and whether the county was a named insured party.
Commissioner Nauer discussed the closure at Tomboy Road.

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Padgett and seconded by Commissioner Nauer to Approve and Authorize the Chair's signature on the Special Event Permit and Agreement for the Annual Imogene Pass Run. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

f. Consideration of the reappointment of Lee Tainter to the Fair Board effective December 31, 2024, with a term expiration of December 31, 2027:

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Padgett and seconded by Commissioner Nauer to reappoint all members to the fair board with the terms

listed. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

g. Consideration of the reappointment of Dale Earixson to the Fair Board effective December 31, 2024, with a term expiration of December 31, 2027:

h. Consideration of the reappointment of Tate Rogers to the Fair Board effective February 28, 2024, with a term expiration of February 28, 2027:

i. Consideration of the reappointment of India Wolf to the Fair Board effective October 31, 2025, with a term expiration of October 31, 2028:

j. Consideration of the reappointment of Ashley Jackson-Baillie to the Weed Board effective March 31, 2025, with a term expiration of March 31, 2028:

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Padgett and seconded by Commissioner Nauer to Reappoint both Weed Board members with the terms listed. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

k. Consideration of the reappointment of Sarah McCormick to the Weed Board effective March 31, 2025 with a term expiration of March 31, 2028:

l. Approval and Authorization of Commissioner's Signatures on Resolution 2025-025 Adopting METSA IGA, including Chair's Signature on Amended IGA

Presented by Commissioner Nauer.

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Padgett to Approve Resolution 2025-025, Adopting METSA IGA and approving the Chair's signature on the amended IGA. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

m. Approval and Authorization of Chair's or County Manager's Signature on Dominion Payroll Service Agreement, and Fiscal Impact Form Approval

Kara Rhoades, Interim County Manager, noted that the fiscal impact form was not included, but offered to share it.
Commissioner Padgett and County Manager Rhoades discussed the financial impacts and the benefits the change would provide for staff.
Commissioner Padgett, County Manager Rhoades, and Attorney Caselli discussed the possibility of switching to bi-weekly payroll.
Commissioner Nauer and County Manager Rhoades discussed quarterly filings and the effects on the timeline for implementation.

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Padgett to Approve the Dominion Payroll Service Agreement and Authorize the Chair's or County Manager's signature on the agreement and the Fiscal Impact Form. Motion Passed (3 - 0).

4. 10:00 - Glenn Boyd - County Emergency Manager:

a. Bi-Monthly Report:

Presented by Glenn Boyd, Ouray County Emergency Manager.
Commissioner Niece and Emergency Manager Boyd discussed the Debris Management plan.
Emergency Manager Boyd continued his update.
All three commissioners and Emergency Manager Boyd discussed the Emergency Management department moving directly underneath the Sheriff in the Organizational Chart.
All three commissioners, Attorney Caselli, County Manager Rhoades and Boyd discussed prioritizing NIMS compliance.
Commissioner Niece directed County Manager Rhoades to ask department heads and elected officials to get their departments into NIMS compliance.

5. 10:30 - Public Hearing – 2025 Budget Amendment:

[Interested electors of Ouray County may submit comments to the Amended Budget at any time prior to its final adoption. Comments may be sent to Interim Ouray County Manager, krhoades@ourayco.gov.]

a. Request for adoption of **Resolution 2025-026** Mid-Year Amendment of the 2025 Budget:

Presented by Kara Rhoades, Ouray County Interim County Manager
Commissioner Padgett and County Manager Rhoades discussed the transfer to the Road and Bridge fund and the 2025 fund transfers summary.
Commissioner Padgett discussed her opinion on the process that has been followed for funding the County Road 361 disaster management.
All three commissioners discussed building up the Emergency Management fund and whether this should be included in this budget hearing.

M/S/P Motion was made by Commissioner Nauer and seconded by Commissioner Niece to Adopt Resolution 2025-026 Approving a Mid-Year Amendment of the 2025 Budget. Motion Passed (2 - 1).

11:06 - Public Hearing Closed.

6. 11:00 - 15 Minute Break

11:06 - The Board recessed for a break

7. 11:15 - Wendy Crank - San Miguel and Ouray County Juvenile Services:

Wendy Crank was not present and this item was cancelled.

11:21 - With no further business, the Board of County Commissioners adjourned.

The Board of County Commissioners met in a regular session on August 19, 2025. 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; and Eli Holmes, Executive Assistant I and Deputy Clerk to the Board.

These Minutes were approved on _____January 27, 2026________________.

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

Board of County Commissioners of Ouray County, Colorado

Attest:

Signed by:
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Jake Niece, Chair

Signed by:
Michelle Nauer
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Michelle Nauer, Vice-Chair

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Lynn Padgett, Commissioner Member

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By: Eli Holmes, Deputy Clerk of the Board