



**Minutes of the Proceedings of
The Board of County Commissioners of Teller County,
Colorado July 10, 2025**

In attendance:

Chairman Dan Williams

Vice-Chairman Erik
Stone

Commissioner Robert Campbell

Ross Herzog, County

Administrator Paul Hurcomb,

County Attorney Stephanie Kees,
Clerk & Recorder

Agenda

1. **9:15 Convene in regular session**
9:19 a.m.

Invocation

Mr. Erik Stone

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Garrett Hall

Minutes of Previous

Meetings April 24, 2025,

BoCC Meeting

Action: Commissioner Campbell moved, and Vice-Chairman Stone seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners on April 24, 2025 as presented. All Commissioners voted yes.

May 8, 2025, BoCC Meeting

Action: Vice-Chairman Stone moved, and Commissioner Campbell seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners on May 8, 2025 as presented. All Commissioners voted yes.

May 22, 2025, BoCC Meeting

Action: Commissioner Campbell moved, and Vice-Chairman Stone seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County



Board of County Commissioners on May 22, 2025 with corrections. All Commissioners voted yes.

June 12, 2025, BoCC Meeting

Action: Commissioner Campbell moved, and Vice-Chairman Stone seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners on June 12, 2025 with noted corrections. All Commissioners voted yes.

Accounts Payable

Action: Vice-Chairman Stone moved, and Commissioner Campbell seconded, that the Board **approve** the accounts payable run date of July 8, 2025, in the amount of \$719,754.12. All Commissioners voted yes.

Board Reports

Commissioner Campbell

- Attended the first of six scheduled meetings held concerning short-term rentals (STRs) last night in Florissant.
- Attended a Pikes Peak Workforce Center (PPWFC) meeting. They are considering changing fiscal agents.
- County's search continues to fill the Finance Director position.
- Attended a meeting with Taylor Kohrs, General Contractor for the Divide Service Center. Initial designs were reviewed and Department Heads and Elected Officials provided input.
- Attended a retirement party in the Department of Social Services office for Pam Elliot. She served over 30 years with the Department of Social Services (DSS).
- Attended a Board of Health meeting.
- Announced upcoming local fire departments' Pancake Breakfasts. Victor's is July 19 & 20 and Florissant's is July 26.

Commissioner Stone

- Had a good meeting with design team and civil engineers for the County's central Service Center.
- Attended the first public meeting for STRs. He encouraged citizens to complete the online survey.
- Attended the Regional Opioid Abatement Council meeting. They are considering hiring a public relations coordinator to educate about the risks of high potency doses of THC.
- Attended the Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (PPACG). A 10-year transportation plan was considered and disapproved due to insufficient funding from the State due to the State's budget cuts to



transportation.

- Attended the Woodland Park 4th of July celebration event and commented on other events in the County.
- Reported that at the Commissioner's work session on Tuesday, they discussed the potential for flash floods and how floods could affect the camps in Teller County. The Commissioners asked Administration and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) to review the county's evacuation plans, especially for children camps.
- Will be attending National Association of Counties (NACO) meeting this weekend in Philadelphia as Transportation committee chair.

Commissioner Williams

- Reiterated the evacuation policy that needs to be enhanced in Teller County. Met with OEM Director, Michelle Boley, to discuss evacuation plans and reiterated that the Commissioner's top priority is life, health and safety.
- Commented on the large number of people in the local forest. This year has had the most difficult search and rescue responses.
- Attended the STR meeting last night. He's encouraged by the level of decorum at the meeting.
- Attended a NACO meeting representing Colorado on the Public Lands committee. Significant meeting after the recent attempt by the federal government to sell public lands.
- Colorado's \$1.4 billion deficit affected local food banks. El Pomar grant and donations have eased that burden. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) lost \$700k in grants. Private donations have assisted.
- Letters from Fire Districts and the Fire Marshall indicate unanimous decision in burning restrictions.
- 4th of July events in Woodland Park and Cripple Creek were successful.
- Medicaid cuts passed by Congress will have impacts. Teller County has committed to residents to assist through other avenues.
- Warned that an upcoming Ballot Initiative attempting to "protect wildlife" could ultimately end hunting all together.

Elected Official's Reports

Stephanie Kees, Clerk and Recorder

- Provided information on the upcoming November 2025 Coordinated Election.



- Gave a reminder about Fraud Guard.

Krystal Brown, Treasurer

- Attended a Treasurer's conference in Trinidad. Worked on a clean-up bill that would standardize the process for Treasurer's Deeds. Thanked commissioners for their assistance in getting this online when it becomes effective.
- She has joined the Education Committee for Colorado Treasurers Association. The first meeting is in September.
- Foreclosures continue to increase.
- Inquiring about a program that would allow taxpayers to pay property taxes monthly versus twice per year.

Administrator's Report

Mr. Herzog. None.

2. 9:35 Time reserved for Department Heads. None.

3. 9:40 Time reserved for the public without an appointment

Gage and Garrett Hall, Guffey Colorado

- Both thanked the commissioners for last year's participation at the Fair last year and supporting 4H. Invited them to this year's Fair. Buyer's
- Dinner and Auction is August 1st.
- Thanked for the upgrades to the fairgrounds.
- Announced their plan to donate beef to the Aspen Mine Center as they did last year.

Commissioners expressed their appreciation to the Halls and commented on the 4H program.

Don Moore, Florissant CO

- Provided comments on natural disasters and asked commissioners to support proactive preparation of fire mitigation. Gave bullet points of studies by USDA, National Fire Protection Association, International Association of Fire Chiefs, International Association of Foresters, International Business of Homes and Safety. Announced that NoFloCo received an International award for 2025.

Virgina Loop, Divide CO

- Made public comments about the demolition order for her greenhouse and asked for a decision or confirmation in writing and that no further enforcement action would be taken. Stated that she has contacted Senator Baisley and the Governor.



Commissioner Williams provided comments on the County's review of this zoning violation. He has talked with Senator Baisley and Governor Polis concerning this matter. He noted that land use and zoning is a County issue.

Commissioner Stone acknowledged the receipt of her email and also her social media posts. There is an opportunity to appeal. He explained the Board cannot speak on this matter at this hearing because they may be required to hear this appeal.

4. 9:45 Clerk & Recorder Employee Service Award

Clerk and Recorder Stephanie Kees recognized Tina Sensabaugh's 10 years of service.

5. 9:55 Assessor

2025 CBOE Annual Report

Presenting: Carol Kittelson, Assessor

Provided the 2025 preliminary annual report and noted that this year they received the lowest number of protests in 30 years.

Commissioners thanked Carol and her staff.

6. 10:00 Commissioners Board Matters and Actions

Consider a Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a deed of real property for public highways pursuant to C.R.S. § 43-2-201 and determining that this conveyance of land for public highway purposes is exempted from the definition of subdivision and subdivided land pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-28- 101(10)(d).

Presenting: Fred Clifford, Public Works Director

Action: Vice-Chairman Stone moved, and Commissioner Campbell, to **approve Resolution No. 07-10-2025(25)** a Resolution to authorize the acceptance of a deed of real property for public highways pursuant to CRS 43-2-201 and determining that this conveyance of land for public highway purposes is exempted from the definition of subdivision and subdivided land pursuant to CRS 30-28-101(10)(d).

All Commissioners voted yes.



~~Consider approval of the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between El Paso County, Colorado and Teller County, Colorado for the establishment of a Consortium Executive Board for implementation of a Workforce Development System Pursuant to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014. - Moved to the July 24, 2025 meeting.~~

Commissioners Business Items:

Consider approval of a Parks Use Permit for Florissant Makers and Growers.

Approved.

Consider approval of the Memorandum of Agreement between Teller County Public Health and Environment and The Animal Clinic of Woodland Park.

Approved.

Consider approval of the Lease Agreement with Cripple Creek-Victor School District RE-1.

Approved.

Consider approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.

Approved as presented, with any modifications requested by the Contractor and approved by the County Attorney.

7. Items Received After Agenda Deadline.

Consider request from the Teller County Associations of Fairs and Shows to include professional fireworks performed by J&M Displays and be added to their existing event permit.

Approved.

Adjournment

10:50 a.m.

APPROVED:

Dan Williams, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Stephanie Kees, Clerk & Recorder

