



**Minutes of the Proceedings of
The Board of County Commissioners of Teller County, Colorado
February 6, 2025**

In attendance:

Dan Williams, County Commissioner/Chair
Erik Stone, County Commissioner/Vice-Chair
Bob Campbell, County Commissioner
Ross Herzog, County Administrator
Paul Hurcomb, County Attorney
Stephanie Kees, Clerk & Recorder

1. 9:19 a.m. Convene in Regular Session:

The Board of County Commissioners of Teller County convened in regular session in the Teller County Centennial Building in Cripple Creek, CO.

Mr. Williams presided.

Mr. Stone gave the invocation.

Ms. Carol Kittelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Action: Mr. Campbell moved, and Mr. Stone seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners on December 17, 2024, as presented. All Commissioners voted yes.

Accounts Payable:

Action: Mr. Stone moved, and Mr. Campbell seconded, that the Board **approve** the accounts payable run date of February 4, 2025, in the amount of \$1,103,531.29. All Commissioners voted yes.

Board Reports:

Mr. Campbell:

- Met with Colorado Counties Inc (CCI) last Thursday and Friday to review 70-80 bills pending in legislation which could affect counties.
- Attended board meetings with Colorado Technical Services, Inc. (CTSI) and Pikes Peak Workforce Center (PPWFC).

Mr. Stone:

- Spent 3 days last week in Denver testifying on bills and attending steering committee meetings with CCI.
- He was elected Chairman of the CCI Transportation and Technology Committee.
- He testified in opposition to SB 25-003, a bill that would ban semi-automatic firearms, but it passed through the Senate committee on a 3-2 vote.

- He will testify against HB 25-1133 concerning the regulation of ammunition that bans sales for anyone under the age of 21 years old and would require that boxes shipped directly to customers cannot be labeled in any way.
- He plans to testify on HB 25-1272 for the revised Construction Defect Reform bill.
- Noted that many pending bills would create unfunded mandates.

Mr. Williams:

- He was elected Chairman of CCI Land Use and Natural Resources Committee and will attend the upcoming Public Lands committee meeting.
- Testifying today on Senate Bill 25-002 concerning regional building codes for modular homes.
- Commented on Sheriff Mikesell's press conference concerning Senate Bill 25-047 on immigration enforcement; noted that the Sheriffs Association supports this bill and the bill is currently in committee.
- Working on a bill with Senator Baisley to avoid having all of rural Colorado designated as being the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI).
- He is monitoring the 7 wildfire bills and 3 insurance bills.
- Clarified that, at this time, the US Forest Service has not banned shooting in the Pike National Forest and it is working on establishing shooting ranges.
- Discussed the current federal freeze on funding and the impact on state and local entities.
- Attended a Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) board meeting; CASA is considering changes to or elimination of its Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) policies to retain federal funding.
- El Pomar Board awarded a \$10K grant to the Little Chapel of the Hills.
- He will attend the Ring the Peak meeting next Monday with Governor Polis, Mayor Yemi Mobolade, Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), United States Forest Service (USFS) and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to discuss collaboration on land management.
- Encouraged people to be involved with testifying on pending bills and they can do so remotely.

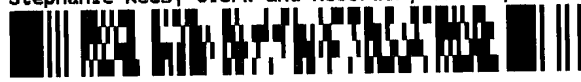
Elected Officials Report: None.

Administrator's Report:

Ross Herzog, County Administrator

- Commented on SB 25-037 that would take severance money from Counties with extraction activities.
- Commented on "pot hole" season due to cold and warm weather and melting snow.
- Public Works and the Sheriff's office will be receiving new vehicles.

Mr. Williams commented on and thanked Mr. Herzog for his work on the Divide Service Center project.



2. Time Reserved for Department Heads: None.
3. Time Reserved for the Public without an Appointment: None.
4. Commissioners Executive Matters

CDD: Consider a Resolution approving an amended final plat to adjust the interior lot line between Lot 21 and Lot 22, Ranch Resorts of Colorado, Subdivision No. 2

Moved to February 18, 2025 meeting at request of CDD:

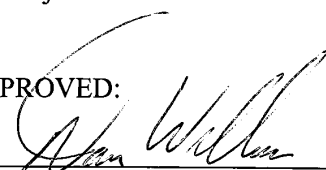
Commissioner's Business Items: Ross Herzog, County Administrator

The Board duly approved the following business agenda items:

1. Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with MGT Impact Solutions, LLC, with any changes requested by the contractor and approved by the County Attorney.
2. Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Respec Company, LLC, with any changes requested by the contractor and approved by the County Attorney.
3. Street inventory report for Teller County.
4. Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with George Drake, RPH with any changes requested by the contractor and approved by the County Attorney.
5. Consider additional items received after agenda deadlines.
 - a. Colorado Parks and Wildlife Impact Assistance Grant Application for 2024.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

APPROVED:



Dan Williams, Chair

ATTEST:



Stephanie Kees, Clerk & Recorder

