



## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, Gilpin County, Colorado, May 13, 2025**

A regular meeting was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at the Gilpin County Courthouse, 203 Eureka, and online via Zoom. In attendance were Commissioner Sandy Hollingsworth - Chair, Commissioner Susan Berumen, Commissioner Jeff Aiken, County Manager Ray Rears, County Attorney Jack Reutzel, and Deputy Clerk to the Board, Kimberly Kaufman. Chair Hollingsworth called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

There were no changes to the agenda. County Attorney Reutzel, on behalf of primary County Attorney Messenger, asked the Commissioners if they had any conflicts of interest. None were noted.

Public and Press Comments were called. Residents Zane Plsek commented on Res. 25-056 and complimented the Assessors' staff, and Joyce Westbrook offered comments on bonfires at a nearby Short-Term rental.

Commissioner Berumen moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included: the **Clerk and Recorder Monthly Report for April 2025; the Treasurer's Report for March 2025; a Letter of Support for Coordination for Wildfire Mitigation and Forest Restoration Project Planning; Letters of Support for Colorado Communities for Climate Action and letter of multi-county concerns with Fix our Forests Act; Approval of BoCC Meeting Minutes for January 14, 2025, and January 28, 2025.** Commissioner Aiken seconded, the consent agenda was approved 3 to 0.

Chanda Johnson, Human Resources Director introduced new hires for the Sheriff's Office. Shayna Campbell and Sunny Girafello in Dispatch, Cara Lee in Records, and Kaylee Crawford Barrett in Patrol.

A **Proclamation in Support of Mental Health Month in Gilpin County, May 2025** was read. Tasha Holtzman of the Jefferson Center was introduced and expressed the importance of mental health awareness and concerns regarding proposed cuts to behavioral health funding. She brought a large green ribbon to be displayed in commemoration of the month.

A **Proclamation in Support of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month in Gilpin County, May 2025** was read. County Manager Rears wore a Barong Tagalog, a traditional Filipino garment, in support of family members who represent the Filipino culture.

At 9:23 a.m. **Public Hearing. Resolution 25-059, Approving a Second Supplemental Budget Line-item Appropriation - Human Services** was opened by Chair Hollingsworth. Jamie Boyle, Interim Finance Director, and Janey Barker, Human Services Director presented. The resolution sought approval of a second supplemental appropriation to the 2024 budget in the amount of \$100,000 to the Human Services Fund to reflect additional Food Assistance (SNAP) aka Food Stamps expenditures and revenue from the State of Colorado. This was needed to bring the



budget into alignment with no impact to the fund balance. Discussion of the resolution followed with some amendments to the wording for clarification. Public Comment was opened at 9:24 a.m. There was none. Public Comment was closed at 9:24 a.m. Commissioner Berumen moved to adopt the resolution with the recommended amendments; Commissioner Aiken seconded; the motion passed 3 to 0. The Public Hearing was closed at 9:26 a.m.

**Resolution 25-060. Resolution to Approve Mid-Year 2025 Budget Line-Item Adjustments –**

Jamie Boyle, Interim Finance Director presented. This resolution sought the authorization of targeted line item increases in the 2025 Gilpin County Budget, per direction to staff by the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) during the April 22, 2025, work session. These adjustments were being made to accommodate newly identified operational needs and did not constitute formal supplemental appropriations to the overall fund budgets. Specific departments and their budget needs were discussed. Commissioner Aiken moved to adopt the resolution; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

Commissioner Berumen moved to recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the **Local Liquor Licensing Authority - Application for a Special Events Permit/Liquor License - Barn Dance** to be held at the Gilpin County Fairgrounds. Commissioner Aiken seconded. The motion passed 3 to 0. Chair Hollingsworth opened the **Public Hearing** noticed for 9:30 a.m. Sahari McCormick, Clerk and Recorder and Kristen McFarland presented the application seeking a Malt, Vinous and Spiritous Liquor Special Events Permit for the Barn Dance to be held in the Community Center Barn. This is the third time for the event which started in 2019. Public Comment was opened at 9:35, there was none. Public Comment closed at 9:36. Commissioner Aiken moved to approve the license for the event; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the permit was approved 3 to 0. The Public Hearing was closed at 9:37 a.m. A motion to adjourn as the Local Liquor Licensing Authority and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioner was approved 3 to 0.

At 9:38, **Public Hearing. VPL 25-01, A Resolution Vacating Right, Title, and Interest in 10 Ft of Tolland Road Right-Of-Way Directly North of Rollinsville, Colorado Block 00K Lot: 001-020** was opened. Rachel Vigil, Planner presented and stated to the Commissioners this had been continued from the previous Public Hearing date of 4-22-2025 and the petitioner requested it be open for a later date. A short discussion followed. Public comment was opened at 9:39. There was none. Public Comment was closed at 9:39. Commissioner Berumen moved to continue the matter indefinitely; Commissioner Aiken seconded; the motion passed 3 to 0. The Public Hearing was closed at 9:40 a.m.

**The 2025 Gilpin County Operating Plan** was then presented by members of the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Armstrong and Undersheriff Demo answered a number of questions from the Commissioners.

Commissioner Berumen moved to approve the plan verbally as no resolution was presented. Commissioner Aiken seconded; the plan was approved 3 to 0.



Sheriff Armstrong and Undersheriff Demo then presented the **Sheriff's Department 1st Quarter Report for 2025**. They provided details regarding the operations of the individual departments within the Sheriff's office with data to support the workload and success of each. The upcoming jail required annual BOCC inspection and tour by the Commissioners on June 17<sup>th</sup> was discussed.

**Resolution 25-057, Annual Re-Affirmation of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Colorado Department of Human Services and Gilpin County to Provide the Colorado Works Program** – was presented by Janey Barker, Human Services Director.

Gilpin County Department of Human Services enters into this MOU with the state department yearly in order to provide services to residents who qualify for the Colorado Works Program. A short discussion regarding the program followed. Commissioner Aiken moved to adopt the resolution; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

**Resolution 25-058, Request Approval of the CORE Services Plan** - Janey Barker, Human Services Director, and Paige Sons, Child and Adult Protection Program Manager presented the resolution. The Colorado Office of Children, Youth and Families (OCYF), Division of Child Welfare (DCW) requires an updated CORE Services Plan each state fiscal year. The Core allocation is determined by the size of each county and the programs they can offer. Each of these allocations are for specific use only and cannot be moved. Failure to approve the plan would require the County to fully fund the program from the general fund as it is required per federal and state rule to provide services to families. Commissioner Berumen moved to approve the plan; Commissioner Aiken seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

**Resolution BLA 25-01, Approving a Boundary Line Adjustment Between 60 Hwy 46, Black Hawk, CO 80422 (Parcel Number 171130300018) and Hwy 119, Black Hawk, CO 80422 (Parcel Number 171130300017)** Rachel Vigil, Planner presented. The boundary adjusted in this BLA is an internal boundary between the two (2) existing parcels, and its change will not impact other surrounding properties. All property owners have agreed to this BLA, and staff was recommending approval. Commissioner Aiken moved to approve the boundary line adjustment; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the motion was approved 3 to 0.

**Resolution 25-056, Resolution Opposing the Introduction of iGaming in Colorado** – Ray Rears, County Manager presented the resolution. The draft resolution opposing iGaming signed by the four other gaming jurisdictions focused on the financial impacts of its introduction in Colorado. Gilpin County maintains it is important to also include opposition based on the overall impacts to the health, welfare, and economic sustainability of the community. This version adds these. Commissioner Berumen moved to adopt the resolution, Commissioner Aiken seconded; the resolution passed 3 to 0.

**Resolution 25-061, Authorizing the Execution of the Dory Lake Pump Station Construction and Installation Services Agreement with Barnard Services, Inc.** – Ray Rears, County Manager



presented on behalf of Ryan Keenan, Facilities Director. Of two pumps at the Dory Lakes location, one has failed. Gilpin must release water when ordered by the State to retain water rights. There are budgeted capital costs to complete the project as well as unexpected increases in unassigned reserves caused by lower than anticipated spending in 2024. The amount is not to exceed \$317,209.86 plus or Minus (+/-) Five Percent (5%). Commissioner Aiken moved to adopt the resolution; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the resolution passed 3 to 0.

**Resolution 25-062, Authorizing the Execution of the Gilpin County Justice Center Back Up Generator Replacement Agreement with Colorado Electric and Power Systems, Inc.** - Ray Rears, County Manager on behalf of Ryan Keenan, Facilities Director. The funds are within the allotted capital budget with the work not to exceed Five Hundred Eighty Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty and 00/100 Dollars (\$580,480.00) Plus or Minus (+/-) Five Percent (5%). Commissioner Berumen moved to approve the resolution; Commissioner Aiken seconded; the resolution passed 3 to 0.

**Resolution 25-063, Authorizing the Execution of the Gilpin County Justice Center and Community Center Hot Water Heater Recirculation Line and No Hub Fitting Replacement Agreement with JCOR Mechanical, Inc.** – Ray Rears, County Manager on behalf of Ryan Keenan, Facilities Director. The County has budgeted capital costs to complete the project in an amount not to exceed Two Million, Two Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand, One Hundred Five, and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,295,105.00) Plus or Minus (+/-) Five Percent (5%). Commissioner Aiken moved to approve the resolution; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the motion passed 3 to 0.

**County Attorney's Report** – Jack Reutzel presented the report regarding legal services provided to the County.

**County Manager's Report** – Ray Rears referred to his written report, presented highlights, and noted the next regular BoCC meeting will be May 27, 2025. There will be a Joint Work Session hosted by Gilpin County with the Clear Creek County Commissioners and Forest Service on May 20, 2025, starting at 1:00 p.m.

**Public or Press Comment was invited.** There was none.

Commissioners Aiken, Berumen, and Hollingsworth each reported on the various meetings, boards, and events they participated in over the last two weeks.

**Governor Polis and Union Pacific Railroad Official Signings of Historic Moffat Tunnel 25-year lease and a Mountain Rail use Agreement** was discussed. All Commissioners were in attendance.

**Upcoming meetings at which one or more Commissioners may be present:** In addition to those previously mentioned:



- June 5<sup>th</sup> - Work session - 9:00 a.m.
- June 5<sup>th</sup> - Board of Health - 2:00 p.m.
- June 5<sup>th</sup> – EV charger Ribbon Cutting – 5:30 p.m.
- June 2-4<sup>th</sup> – CCI Conference
- June 10<sup>th</sup> - Regular Board Meeting - 9:00 a.m.
- June 12<sup>th</sup> – History Colorado Lincoln Hills exhibit opening
- June 17<sup>th</sup> – Jail inspection, Justice Center Tour, Commissioner Listening Session

Commissioner Aiken moved to:

- a. Recess to Executive Session for a conference with the County Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(b); **and further**
- b. Recess to Executive Session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators under C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(e)(I).

Recess was taken at 11:31 a.m. The Board was scheduled to return at **1:00 p.m.** for **BoCC Legislation Discussion with Policy Matters, LLC. (Lobbyists for Gilpin County).**

**The Board reconvened at 1:03 p.m.** for end of the legislative Session Wrap-up discussion with the Katie Hancock and Heather Resko of Policy Matters who later provided the following summary of the discussion of the legislation followed by the Commissioners on behalf of Gilpin County.

#### **GILPIN COUNTY LEGISLATIVE ISSUES**

**HB25-1008: Complementary Behavioral Health Services in Jails (Oppose)**, this bill would have expanded the Jail-Based Behavioral Health Services Program in the Behavioral Health Administration. **DIED ON THE CALENDAR**

**HB25-1029: Municipal Authority over Certain Land (Oppose)**, this bill grants a municipality full authority over land acquired for open space and natural areas whether or not the land is open or closed to the public. **SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR**

**HB25-1031, Law Enforcement Whistleblower Protection (Monitor)**, this bill creates a civil cause of action if an employer takes action against a law enforcement officer because of their report of a violation, or perceived violation of law. Amendments were added in the House, clarifying definitions of who the law applied to, timelines for complaints, and clarifications of what the employee was able to be compensated for. **SENT TO THE GOVERNOR**



**HB25-1050: Regional County Jail Approach (Support)**, this bill exempts counties from the requirement that maintains an intergovernmental agreement or other contract with another county to operate a multijurisdictional county jail. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1053: Landowner immunity for Emergency Access to Property (Support)**, this bill provides immunity from civil liability for damage or injury to persons or property for landowners who allow entry and exit access to their property in connection with an emergency. Immunity is not granted when damage or injury arises from gross negligence or willful misconduct caused by the landowner. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1088, Costs for Ground Ambulance Services (Monitor)**, this bill modifies cost and billing practices for ground ambulance services related to rate submissions, rate requirements, and out-of-network reimbursements. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1089: County Mail Ballot Signature Verification Requirements (Support)**, this bill would allow county clerks to use a team of two bipartisan election judges, rather than a single judge, to verify election signatures and establish a procedure for settling disputes within the team. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**HB25-1099: Water Quality Data Standards (Support)**, this bill would direct the Department of Public Health and Environment to adopt standards for the total amount of pollutants in state waters. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**HB25-1108: Prohibitions in Rental Agreements Due to Death (Support)**, this bill prohibits certain clauses in residential rental agreements from being enforced when the tenant or responsible party dies. This includes requiring payments of liquidated damages, acceleration of rent, repayment of concessions or move-in discounts to the landlord, payments of fees or penalties from the early termination of agreements, or the forfeiture of refundable sums of money. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1120: Septic-System Replacement Enterprise (Amend to Monitor)**, this bill would have created the Septic-System Replacement Enterprise and Loan Program in DOLA. It would have been overseen by a governing body made of representatives of local government officials, state agencies, and consumers. It would collect a surcharge on permits issued by local governments for new septic systems, and local governments could retain up to 5% of the fee to cover their administrative costs with the remaining money accruing to the new Septic-System Replacement Loan Program Fund. DIED ON THE CALENDAR

**HB25-1123, Homeowners' Association Alternative Dispute Resolution (Monitor)**, this bill requires disputes between a unit owner and a homeowner's association (HOA) to go through internal dispute resolution and, if necessary, mediation before a legal proceeding is initiated by either party. Certain procedures must be followed, including proper notice requirements, selection of mediators, and cost sharing for mediations. If parties do not reach an agreement





after an internal dispute resolution, they must proceed to a mediation. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**HB25-1169: Housing Developments on Faith and Educational Land (Amend)**, this bill would require local governments to allow the construction of residential developments on properties owned by faith-based organizations, school districts, or state colleges or universities. It does not prevent local governments from enforcing local infrastructure standards, codes, or requirements. It would prevent local governments from disallowing construction of residential developments if certain conditions are met and must allow them to be used for childcare and recreational, social, or educational services provided by community organizations for use by local residents. LOST

**HB25-1182: Risk Model Use in Property Insurance Policies (Support)**, this bill requires certain insurance companies that use select risk management models, such as a wildfire risk or catastrophe model, to: share certain information about the model with Division of Insurance in DORA as part of insurer's filing, consider any mitigation effort when assessing risk; publish information on the rewards that are available to policyholders who undertake mitigation efforts, publish the process for appealing a wildfire risk score, classification, or mitigation discount, provide policy holders with an annual notice of their mitigation discounts, wildfire risk score, and other classifications used to underwrite the policy, and offer discounts to certain policy holders when mitigation actions are not included in the risk management model. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1208, Local Governments Tip Offsets for Tipped Employees (Monitor)**, this bill allows local governments that have enacted a minimum wage that exceeds the state minimum wage to increase their tip offset amount, as long as the increase does not cause local tipped minimum wage to fall below the state tipped minimum wage. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1237: Soft Closing of Alcoholic Beverage Establishments (Oppose)**, this bill extends the timeline that an establishment can sell alcoholic beverages. If a local jurisdiction adopts an ordinance or resolution opting in, sales of alcoholic beverages are permitted until 2:30 a.m. as long as the business removes all alcoholic beverages from the consumption area by 3:00 a.m. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**HB25-1247: County Lodging Tax Expansion (Support)**, this bill, subject to voter approval, increases the allowed county lodging tax rate to 6% and expands the allowed uses of lodging tax revenue to include: public infrastructure maintenance or improvements, or enhancing public safety measures by funding local law enforcement, fire departments, and emergency medical services. If counties have previously received voter approval before January 1, 2025, to allocate portions of lodging tax revenue to different services, the bill clarifies how previously approved allocations are preserved and how revenue attributable to an increase in the tax rate may be allocated by county. Gilpin County Commissioners worked with sponsors and other



counties to increase the lodging tax rate from 5% to 6% in the final version of the bill.

GOVERNOR SIGNED

**HB25-1271: Federal Benefits for Youth in Foster Care (Amend)**, this bill creates new provisions for the management and use of federal survivor benefits for children and youth in foster care by county and state departments of human services. It requires county departments of human services to continually determine whether children and youth in foster care may be eligible for federal survivor benefits administered by Railroad Retirement Board, Social Security Administration, or Veterans Administration and apply for those benefits on behalf of the child if eligible. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1272: Construction Defects & Middle Market Housing (Support)**, this bill creates a voluntary program granting builders increased legal immunity from defect lawsuits and applies to all condos at all price points. It requires participating builders to use qualified third-party inspectors throughout construction, provide warranties for workmanship, systems, and structural components. This bill also limits homeowner lawsuits unless the homeowner attempted to work with the builder first and took steps to mitigate the damage. Denver worked with sponsors to narrow the scope of the bill to ensure that the requirement for a certificate of occupancy was removed. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1293: Drug Overdose Education & Opioid Antagonists in School (Support)**, this bill requires the State Board of Education (SBE) adopt health education standards for 9th-12th grades on drug overdose identification, risks, prevention, and response. It also allows public and non-public schools to seek gifts, grants, and donations to acquire to maintain a supply of opioid antagonists. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1295: Food Truck Operations (Amend)**, this bill requires local governments to accept fire safety permits for food truck operators that received the permit in another local jurisdiction if certain conditions are met. The Division of Fire Prevention and Control in the Department of Public Safety (CDPS) must adopt fire safety codes and standards for local governments to use in relation to food truck operations. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**HB25-1302: Increase Access Homeowner's Insurance Enterprises (Support)**, this bill would create the Strengthen Colorado Homes Enterprise and the Wildfire Catastrophe Reinsurance Enterprise as government-owned businesses in DORA. It would expand the accessibility of replacement-cost property insurance policies. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**HB25-1303: Funding for Motor Vehicle Collision Prevention (Support)**, this bill would create the Crash Prevention Enterprise in the Colorado Department of Transportation to provide funding for transportation system infrastructure improvements that reduce the number of collisions between motor vehicles and vulnerable road users or wildlife. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY





**HB25-1311, Deductions for Net Sports Betting Proceeds (Monitor)**, this bill reduces the reduction for free bets placed by players to 1% on January 1, 2026, and ends the deduction on July 1, 2026. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-001, Colorado Voting Rights Act (Amend)**, this bill codifies the right of equal access to the political process for racial, color, and language minority groups. Cities and counties are responsible for providing equal access and specify certain ways of conducting elections that are a violation of voting rights and establish a civil action process for remedying violations. The Denver Clerk & Recorder worked closely with sponsors to pass several amendments, including adding provisions limiting a court's ability to order a remedy that could jeopardize the mail ballot signature verification process. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-002: Regional Building Codes for Factory-Built Structures (Support)**, this bill directs the State Housing Board in DOLA to develop regional building codes for factory-built structures. The department's advisory committee on factory-built structures must present recommendations on the development of regional building codes and coordination between state and local permitting to the General Assembly during the 2026 legislative session and recommend regional building codes and implementation requirements to the housing board. The new regional building codes supersede local codes and other state code regulations when they apply to factory-built structures. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-003, Semi-Automatic Firearms & Rapid-Fire Devices (Monitor)**, this bill prohibits the manufacture, distribution, transfer, sale, or purchase of semi-automatic rifles or shotguns with detachable magazines - not including tubular magazines located under the barrel of a firearm - and gas-operated semi-automatic handguns. Specific models of firearms are not prohibited, other exceptions include certain persons, like law enforcement and individuals who have completed qualifying firearm-related education courses. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB-012: Financial Assistance for County Jails (Support)**, this bill would rename the Underfunded Courthouse Facility Cash Fund and allow it to be used for jail facility upgrades. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**SB25-033, Prohibit New Liquor-Licenses Drug Stores (Monitor)**, this bill prohibits state and local licensing authorities from issuing any new liquor-licensed drugstores (LLDS) licenses. Current LLDS licensees may still renew their license. This bill also places restrictions on current LLDS licensees, including prohibiting: the licensee from changing their location or transferring their license unless the license is transferred to an independent pharmacist who does not possess an LLDS license, any tastings on LLDS premises, and an LLDS licensee from having a financial interest in more than eight other LLDS licenses. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-040, Future of Severance Taxes & Water Funding Task Force (Monitor)**, this bill creates a task force to explore the impact of severance taxes on water resources and delays for two years



the implementation of a modified severance tax ad valorem credit calculation. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-045: Health-Care Payment System Analysis (Support)**, this bill requires the Colorado School of Public Health in the University of Colorado, with assistance from a newly created analysis collaborative, to create a report on model legislation for a universal single-payer health care system. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-060: Repeated Phone Calls Obstruction of Government Operations (Support)**, this bill prohibits a person from repeated contact of a public safety emergency call center or public safety after an employee provides a warning to stop contacting public safety entities without a justifiable basis. The bill allows verbal, text message, or written warnings. Persons in violation commit the crime of obstructing government operations, a class 2 misdemeanor. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-077: Modifications to Colorado Open Records Act (Monitor to Support)**, this bill would make multiple changes to the Colorado Open Records Act (CORA) primarily related to the time frame a custodian of public records at a public agency has to respond to the request. GOVERNOR VETOED.

**SB25-119: Measures to Modify the Department of Early Childhood (Oppose)**, this bill would require the Colorado Department of Early Childhood to grant providers and administrative units administrative access to the unified application to help families enroll in the Universal Preschool Program. POSTPONED INDEFINITELY

**SB25-142: Changes to Wildfire Resiliency Code Board (Oppose)**, this bill extends the deadline for governing body adoption of local codes from three to nine months. The bill also authorizes the governing body adopting local codes to enforce those either in accord with the governing body's rules and regulations, or through a cooperative agreement. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-149, Local Government Duties Equestrian Protections (Monitor)**, this bill allows counties and municipalities to incorporate a variety of elements into city planning to accommodate equestrians, including: identifying locations for and maintaining equestrian road crossings, installing signs notifying the public of the equestrian crossings and equestrians zones, educating the public on the equestrian use of recreational trails and roads, and showing existing or proposed equestrian infrastructure in any master plan and publishing a map of the locations. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-164: Opioid Antagonist Availability & State Board of Health (Support)**, this bill requires the State Board of Health in the Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) to: create and maintain a list of entities that will be eligible to distribute opioid antagonists that will be used in place of the static list currently in state law, consult with and hear presentations from the Colorado Youth Advisory Council concerning the youth opioid epidemic, and present



information on youth overdose prevention as part of the SMART Act hearings. It also clarifies when opioid antagonists can be administered on school grounds and allows schools to keep opioid antagonists in defibrillator storage. SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-273: 14 Days Hospitals Retain Blood Draws for Investigations (Support)**, this bill requires health care facilities to retain blood draws or admission blood samples for 14 days from the date the retention form is submitted when a law enforcement officer serves a retention form to an attending physician or health care facility. Gilpin County Coroner, Zaun Laubhan, was instrumental in getting this legislation introduced and passed. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

**SB25-276, Protect Civil Rights Immigration Status (Monitor)**, this bill modifies state immigration laws to apply certain requirements to political subdivisions (county, municipality, board, commission, institution, department, or agency) and make changes regarding engagement with federal immigration authorities, court petitions, affidavits, and consumer protections. SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

All business being concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

Approved this 24th day of June, 2025.

*A signed and recorded version of these minutes is available via the Clerk & Recorder's Office.*