



Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, Gilpin County, Colorado, May 27, 2025

A regular meeting was held on Tuesday, May 27, 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 Todd Messenger, and Deputy Clerk to the Board, Kimberly Kaufman. Chair Hollingsworth called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

There were no changes to the agenda. County Attorney Todd Messenger asked the Commissioners if they had any conflicts of interest. None were noted.

Public and Press Comments were called. There were no comments.

Commissioner Berumen moved to approve the Consent Agenda which included **Commissioner Position Letter to Colorado Limited Gaming Control Commission, Resolution 25-069, Amending the Official Appointment List (Jefferson Center for Mental Health) with the addition of Commissioner Aiken as the Alternate to the Gateway to the Rockies Opioid Council, Resolution 25-070, Resolution to Amend Vacation Accrual in the Employee Handbook, Joint Letter from Host Gaming Jurisdictions, Community Development Director Job Description, and Approval of BoCC Meeting Minutes for February 11, 2025.** Commissioner Aiken seconded; the consent agenda was approved 3 to 0.

A proclamation was read, and June was declared **Pride Month 2025** for Gilpin County.

Resolution 25-064, Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Real Property Lease Agreement(s) with Central City Opera House Association was presented by Sarah Baciak, Paralegal. Commissioner Aiken moved to approve the resolution, Commissioner Berumen seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

Resolution 25-066, Authorizing the Acceptance of 2025-2026 Funding for the Substance Abuse Block Grant - Gabrielle Chisholm, Parks and Recreation Director presented. Commissioner Berumen moved to adopt the resolution; Commissioner Aiken seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

Resolution 25-065, Authorizing the Execution of the Light of the Mountain Fellowship Parking Lot Lease – Gabrielle Chisholm, Parks and Recreation Director also presented this item. Commissioner Aiken moved to adopt the resolution; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0. The lease with the church was signed at the table.

Resolution 25-067, Authorizing the Acceptance of the Grant Award from the Colorado Office of the Attorney General and Department of Law (DOL) for the Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenge Grant - Gabrielle Chisholm presented this resolution. Commissioner



Berumen moved to adopt the resolution and further to authorize the acceptance of funding for state fiscal years 7/1/2025 to 6/30/2028 as described above through the Youth Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenge Grant in the amount of \$605,154.00 to authorize 2025 budget amendments to line items: Revenue account: Grant Revenue 01.44.4651 at \$205,500 (\$15,000 SABG) increasing by \$54,971 for Challenge Grant, \$260,471 total Expenditure account: Grant Expense 01.44.5183 at \$37,495 (\$10,000 SABG) increasing by \$9,160 for Challenge Grant up to \$46,655 total, and authorize the Board of County Commissioners Chair to sign the contract, which has been reviewed and approved by legal in accordance with the County's contract policy. Commissioner Aiken seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

Resolution 25-068, Approving the Intergovernmental Agreement of the Colorado Information Sharing Consortium (CISC) was presented by Sean Wheeler, Deputy Chief - Patrol, Sheriff's Office After listening to a description of the benefits of the service, Commissioner Aiken moved to approve the resolution; Commissioner Berumen seconded; the resolution was adopted 3 to 0.

As it was not yet time for the public hearing noticed for 9:30 a.m., County Attorney Messenger was asked to present his staff report. He, and the firm of Fairfield and Wood, had worked on the drug affected properties ordinance, the snow and ice and county roads ordinance, and various legal agreements. He had provided public comments on digital accessibility to the OIT on Rule Making. They continue to prepare for the upcoming work session on county roads, and he attended a Planning Commission meeting to discuss zoning and other relevant matters. Pending litigation matters would need to be discussed in Executive Session.

The Public Hearing for Resolution TUP 25-2, Approving a Temporary Use Permit for the Fjallraven Classic Event was called. Rob Gutierrez, Community Development Director and Rachel Vigil, Planner, presented. The applicant had not yet arrived but as the permit was a renewal, they decided to proceed. The **hearing was officially opened at 9:33 a.m.** Details of the use permit were discussed. Public Comment was opened at 9:36. a.m. There was no public comment. Commenting opportunity was closed at 9:37 a.m. Permit applicant Matt Samanda arrived and provided further information regarding the event. Commissioner Berumen moved to adopt the resolution approving the permit; Commissioner Aiken seconded; the permit was approved 3 to 0. The **hearing was closed at 9:43 a.m.**

County Manager Rears presented his staff report: He provided follow-up from the joint work session with Clear Creek County Commissioners; the next work session is June 5th with topics noted; he reported on the events he attended; an update on EV (electric vehicle) chargers was provided and that it will include the first level 3 charger along the Peak to Peak; upcoming budget meetings and the process were discussed. Lastly, he reported on anticipated gaming revenue. He also provided information regarding the number of residents in the county receiving Medicaid benefits.

Public or press comment was invited - there was none.



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

Upcoming meetings which two or more Commissioners may attend:

- June 5th - Work session - 9:00 a.m.
- June 5th - Board of Health - 2:00 p.m.
- June 5th – EV charger Ribbon Cutting – 5:30 p.m.
- June 2-4th – CCI Conference
- June 10th - Regular Board Meeting - 9:00 a.m.
- June 12th – History Colorado Lincoln Hills exhibit opening

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Approved this 24th day of June, 2025.

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