

**MEETING MINUTES  
Dolores County  
Board of County Commissioners  
February 18, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners was held at the Dolores County Courthouse, Dove Creek, Colorado on February 18, 2025. Present for the meeting were Commission Chair, Eric Stiasny, Commission Vice Chair Linda Yellowman, Commissioner Phyllis Davis, Attorney Dennis Golbricht, County Administrator Margret Daves, and Deputy Clerk to the Board Shayla Oliver.

The meeting began with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Guests**

In Person – Social Services Director Malynda Evans, Road and Bridge Supervisor Steve Davis, and Robert McAbery

Zoom – Zoom was unavailable due to technical problems.

**Payroll for February 14, 2025**

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$ 9,196.38	6 Employees	
County Clerk:	\$ 3,145.89	3 Employees	
County Treasurer:	\$ 2,497.62	2 Employees	
County Assessor:	\$ 3,294.66	4 Employees	
GIS:	\$ 672.22	1 Employee	
County Maintenance:	\$ 1,467.67	1 Employee	1 Part Time
County Sheriff:	\$ 16,196.82	10 Employees	1 Part Time
County Coroner:	\$ 375.70	1 Employee	
EMA:	\$ 2,234.68	1 Employee	
Extension:	\$ 2,722.88	2 Employees	1 Part Time
Veterans Office:	\$ 622.13		1 Part Time
Fair Board:	\$ 58.18		
Senior Services:	\$ 9,572.58	2 Employees	11 Part Time
Health & Nurse:	\$ 7,039.99	3 Employees	
Mandatory Weed:	\$ 2,142.66	2 Employees	1 Temp
R&B Administration Other:	\$ 24,557.24	18 Employees	
Social Services:	\$ 9,382.11	7 Employees	1 Part Time
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 95,179.41</b>	<b>63 Employees</b>	<b>22 Part Time 1Temp</b>

***Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioner meeting, February 18, 2025***

**Agenda**

There was a request to add the VSO/VFW Letter of Support, Sheriff's contract with L&L Construction, and an executive session to discuss County Security measures pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(d).

Commissioner Davis made a motion to accept the agenda with the requested additions.

Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**Expenditures**

Commissioner Davis made a motion to accept the Expenditures with the request for information on an invoice regarding work on a brush hog.

Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**Minutes**

The February 3, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes and February 10, 2025 Expenditure Meeting Minutes were presented for approval.

Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to approve the above-mentioned minutes.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**County Road 2 Request to Lengthen the Road /Robert McAbery**

Robert McAbery attended the meeting to request County Road 2 be extended by about 1/3 of a mile. The County road stops about 1/3 of a mile before his driveway and he would like the road be fully built and maintained the whole length of the road to his driveway. The area of the road in question is not on the County road inventory and no funds are received for it. The BOCC discussed the cost associated with this project as well as the additional requests this would bring. It was decided they could not do this at this time.

**Finalize School Property Transaction**

Postponed for a later date.

**Executive Session**

The BOCC went into Executive Session at 10:14AM to discuss County Security measures pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(d). A recording will be kept and destroyed after 90 days.

The Regular BOCC meeting reopened at 10:58AM.

### **BLM Update/Derek Padilla**

**Derek Padilla BLM Tres Rios Field Manager** attended the meeting to update the BOCC on events with BLM related to Dolores County:

- The BLM will be working on prescribed burns on the West Dolores Rim and the Dawson Piles while the snow is here and weather allows.
- The Pinion J Project which is in San Juan County but close to Dolores County will be working on prescribed burns covering about 300 acres as weather permits. The Pinion J Project is working on habitat management for the Pinion J which is not yet but will soon likely be on the endangered list. The burn area will also benefit the Gunnison Sage Grouse Project.
- The Travel Analysis Project has been put on hold for the time being. All Counties will be contacted and involved in the preliminary plan before it is presented to the public for comment.
- The Black Snag Pit driveway relocation project is still on hold while the BLM hires a realty specialist.

### **USFS Update/Nick Mustoe**

Due to staffing shortages Mr. Mustoe was unable to attend the meeting.

#### **New Business**

**VSO/VFW Letter of Support:** Previously VSO Officer Rick Brown and VFW Member Dave McKusky requested a letter from the County regarding the need to keep the VS Office in the VFW Building. The discussion was prompted from within the VFW due to concerns of liability issues with VSO Offices being placed in the VFW Building. The County pays rent for the office space as well as an annual donation. The local Veterans feel like having the VSO Officer in the building is the best option for them. It was pointed out that the County has limited space within the County Offices.

Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to approve the letter of support for the VSO Office to remain located in the VFW building.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**Sheriff's Office Dispatch/Office Remodel Contract with L&L Construction:** In July of 2024 the previous BOCC approved a proposal bid from L&L Construction for the remodel of the Sheriff's Office Dispatch Station and Office, placing in a security wall and window. The project is now ready to be started, and due to material cost changes, the bid has increased by \$800.00. The previously approved bid stated that the costs of materials could change due to the ever-changing cost of materials. There may also be a ballistic glass upgrade option at some point. That would be handled in a change order. A contract was presented to the BOCC for consideration.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the contract with L&L Construction for the Sheriff's office.

Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**Montezuma Water Company Board Member Election Vote:** The Montezuma Water Company has three Board of Directors candidates running in three different districts, all running unopposed. Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to cast their vote for Montezuma Water Board Member candidates Wes Wilson, Cindy Green and Rusty Hamilton. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**Funds Transfer Resolution #2-25-03:** A Resolution to transfer from the Lodging Tax Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$161,000.00. Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to approve Resolution #2-25-03 for a transfer from the Lodging Tax Fund to the General Fund in the amount of \$161,000.00. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**Region 9 Economic Development of Southwest Colorado Letter of Support:** Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to approve the letter of support to the Region 9 Economic Development of Southwest Colorado. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

**DC Ambulance District EMTS Grant Letter of Support:** Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the letter of support for the DC Ambulance for the EMTS Grant. Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion. All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:28AM  
Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.  
All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Stiasny adjourned the meeting.

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Chair to the Board of County Commissioners

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Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

Approved March 3, 2025