MEETING MINUTES Dolores County Board of County Commissioners June 16, 2025

A regular meeting of the Dolores County Board of County Commissioners was held at the Dolores County Courthouse, Dove Creek, Colorado on June 16, 2025. Present for the meeting were the Commission Chair, Eric Stiasny, Commission Vice Chair Linda Yellowman, Commissioner Phyllis Davis, Attorney Dennis Golbricht, County Administrator Margret Daves (via Zoom), and Deputy Clerk to the Board Shayla Oliver.

The meeting began with everyone reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests

In Person – DC Sheriff Don Wilson, Road and Bridge Supervisor Steve Davis, DC Clerk Lana Hancock, GIS & Planning Director Amber Fisher

Zoom – Kendra Cook, Assessors Office

Payroll for June 12, 2025

The following is a list of total payrolls by Department:

County Commissioners:	\$ 9,000.56	6 Employees		
County Clerk:	\$ 3,145.89	3 Employees		
County Treasurer:	\$ 2,463.98	2 Employees		
County Assessor:	\$ 4,166.60	4 Employees		
GIS:	\$ 672.22	1 Employee		
County Maintenance:	\$ 1,467.67	1 Employee	1 Part Time	
Traffic Enforcement	\$ 3,461.10	1 Employee		
County Sheriff:	\$ 11,382.46	6 Employees	1 Part Time	
County Coroner:	\$ 375.70	1 Employee		
EMA:	\$ 2,234.68	1 Employee		
Extension:	\$ 2,222.19	2 Employees	1 Part Time	
Veterans Office:	\$ 608.83		1 Part Time	
Fair Board:	\$ 189.09			
Senior Services:	\$ 10,552.27	2 Employees	14 Part Time	
Health & Nurse:	\$ 4,477.03	3 Employees		
Mandatory Weed:	\$ 2,105.16	2 Employees		0 Temp
R&B Administration Other:	\$ 24,237.68	18 Employees		
Social Services:	\$ 10,240.90	7 Employees	1 Part Time	
TOTAL:	\$ 93,004.01	60 Employees	24 Part Time	0Temp

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Agenda

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the agenda Derek Padilla BLM Tres Rios Field Director Update.

Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Expenditure

Commissioner Davis made a motion to accept the Expenditures.

Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Minutes

The following meeting minutes were presented for approval:

- April 28, 2025 EOM Meeting
- May 8, 2025 Special Meeting
- May 8, 2025 BOH Meeting

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.

Federal Forest Funds/Title I and III Funds Resolution# 05-24-02

Dolores County School District Representatives Ty Gray, Roxie Guynes with School Board President Kimberly Alexander were present to sign Resolution #05-25-03, designating the distribution of Federal Forest Funds of \$45,900.57 received. The 2025 amount was significantly lower therefore resulting in the percentage split to change. In years passed the split was 60% Road and Bridge and 40% to the RE-2J. The BOCC discussed percentages of distribution and agreed to a 75/25% split: 75% to the Road and Bridge Road Fund, in the amount of \$34,425.43 and 25% to Dolores County School District, in the amount of \$11,475.14. There has been no Title III Funds received to date.

Commissioner Stiasny made a motion to approve Resolution# 05-25-03 approving the distribution of Title I Forest Funds in the amount of \$45,900.57 with a split of 75% to the Road and Bridge Fund and 25% to the Dolores County School District.

Commissioner Yellowman seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

Rico Trails Alliance Bridge Planning Commission Request

The Dolores County Planning Department submitted to the BOCC a letter of recommendation for the Rico Trails Alliance Bridge from the Planning Commission. This has been a long process, and the Planning Commission feels it has passed all the requirements from them and can be presented to the BOCC.

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Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to accept the letter of recommendation for the Rico Trails Alliance Bridge and set a Public Hearing for the July 21, 2025 Regular BOCC Meeting in Rico, Co. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion.

All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

County Road 5.2/Bill Murray

Bill Murray requested a meeting with the BOCC to discuss County Road 5.2, its accesses and the ability to put up a gate. Mr. Murray was unable to attend the meeting at the last minute. The discussion has been tabled to a date TBD after further contact with Mr. Murray.

FAMLI Disability Act

Currently Dolores County is insured through Anthem for the short-term disability policy. This is a benefit paid by the County for its employees. Finance Director Lenore Johnson has requested a discussion regarding the possibility of changing companies due to the lack of service provided by Anthem. The state of Colorado offers the FAMLI Disability act which could offer more benefits while offering a lower cost. There were concerns regarding the possibility of abuse of the system which the County would have no control over. The information will be given to the County Elected officials and Department heads to discuss with their employees and will be on the June 30, 2025 EOM meeting for a final decision.

BLM Update/Derek Padilla

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

• The West Rim Burn plan will resume in the fall.

Commissioner Yellowman made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

- The American Helium Plant is working towards being able to operate again soon, but as of now not much is happening.
- There is still no progress on the Black Snag Culvert/Entrance change request from Dolores County.

Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. All three Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.	
Commissioner Stiasny adjourned the meeting.	
	Chair to the Board of County Commissioners
Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners	Chair to the Board of County Commissioners

Approved August 18, 2025