

**Minutes of the Proceedings of  
The Board of County Commissioners of Teller County, Colorado  
July 25, 2024**

In attendance:

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

**1. 9:15 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. Campbell presided.

Mr. Williams gave the invocation.

Mrs. Terry Snare led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

**Action:** Mr. Stone moved, and Mr. Williams seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners on July 11, 2024, as corrected. All Commissioners voted yes.

**Accounts Payable:**

**Action:** Mr. Williams moved, and Mr. Stone seconded, that the Board **approve** the accounts payable run date of July 23, 2024, in the amount of \$649,425.90. All Commissioners voted yes.

**Board Reports:**

Mr. Stone:

- Gave an update on the opioid crisis with information from the Region 16 Opioid Abatement Council, where he serves as Vice-Chair.
  - They have received \$3 million to date to fund abatement projects and programs.
  - He described the program at the El Paso County Jail which provides Suboxone to people released from jail to assist in preventing relapses.
  - They are working on assistance programs for families via addiction and family advocates.
  - Discussed sober living homes and the Full Circle program.

- \$30 million has been allocated to El Paso and Teller counties.
- Announced the Teller County Fair begins tomorrow, and Heritage Days in Florissant is this weekend.

**Mr. Williams:**

- Stated his opposition to three different ballot initiatives.
  - #50 proposes a cap on revenue growth and he co-wrote an article with Summit County Commissioner Tamara Pogue to explain their bipartisan opposition to this ballot initiative.
  - #108 would reduce assessment rates for property.
  - #91 concerning a ban on hunting mountain lions, bobcats and lynx. This bill was defeated at the legislature and resurfaced as a ballot initiative. He opposes it because it is an attack on science-based wildlife management.
- Attended the National Association of Counties (NACO) conference in Tampa, FL. Gave updates on public lands issues; potential readjustment of the formula for Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT); and the discussions about solar, wind and nuclear power on public lands.
- Commented on the completion of the Purple Heart Trail in Teller County, which now has 55 Purple Heart signs on highways and roads in the County.
- Discussed the upcoming local events, including the parade in Victor for Gold Rush Days, and the Florissant pancake breakfast as part of Heritage Days.
- Attended a Wildfire Council meeting with Federal and State partners.
- Thanked Newmont Mine for the contributions to the County Fairgrounds and the \$12,000 they donated to the Veterans Trust Fund through a golf tournament.
- Noted that the County was affected by the CrowdStrike computer outage.

**Mr. Campbell:**

- Commented on the upcoming Ballot Initiatives and advised citizens to not be fooled by the titles of the initiatives and to read the language of the ballot measure and read the information in the Blue Book.
- Meetings are starting with Colorado Counties, Inc. (CCI) to begin discussing policy issues for the next legislative session.
- Attended many meetings, including Board of Health, Board of Social Services, Pikes Peak Workforce Center (PPWFC), Community Partnership, and Kiwanis. Noted that the Kiwanis Club raised \$18,000 for kids with its recent raffle of a donated ATV.

**Elected Officials Report:**

**Stephanie Kees, Clerk and Recorder**

- Introduced Kenzie Porter, Deputy Clerk.
- Gave a reminder about the new Fraud Guard service at no cost to the public to assist in detecting property fraud.



**Administrator's Report:**

Ross Herzog, County Administrator

- Thanked staff for their work on budget and strategic planning.
- Provide and update on the Florissant Park and Teller County Fairgrounds projects.
- He will provide a report on the CrowdStrike incident after IT completes its internal review.

Board comments on the CrowdStrike computer outage. Commissioner Campbell thanked IT and commented on the limited impact to the County and that IT staff worked on every County computer directly. Commissioner Williams gave assurance there was no loss of data or integrity thanks to the County's cybersecurity investments and the amazing job by the IT Department. Commissioner Stone thanked the IT Department for their impressive work in detecting the threat very early and protecting the County's computer system and noted that 911 services were not impacted during this outage.

**2. Time Reserved for Department Heads: None**

**3. Time Reserved for the Public without an Appointment:**

Ericka Ring and Fransisco Castillo inquired about their land use application to vacate a County right-of-way that they submitted with the Community Development Division (CDD).

- Commissioner Campbell stated there is an upcoming hearing on this matter which is a quasi-judicial hearing so the Board could not hear any information about it at this time.
- County Attorney Hurcomb commented on the process for reviewing the application and that a public hearing on it will be scheduled.
- Commissioner Williams explained the process with the CDD, and that Administrator Herzog will contact them to discuss this.

Krystal Brown announced the Cripple Creek Elks Lodge 316 will be sponsoring 2 pancake breakfasts the next two weekends at the County Fair and then in Victor. Proceeds will support the Girl Scouts, 4-H, and local high school cheerleaders.

**4. Administration: Consider a resolution to amend various 2024 Department Fund Budgets.**

Presenting: Ross Herzog, Administrator

Public Comment: None.

Action: Mr. Williams moved, and Mr. Stone seconded, to **approve Resolution No. 07-25-2024(24)**, a Resolution to amend the 2024 General, Road and Bridge, Jail Enterprise, Fleet Management and DSS Fund Budgets and have it attached to the written minutes to show the details. All Commissioners voted yes.

**5. Trustee: Consider acceptance of Teller County Public Trustee's – Second Quarter 2024 Report.**



Presenting: Krystal Brown, Public Trustee

Public Comment: None.

Action: Mr. Stone moved, and Mr. Williams seconded, to **accept** the Teller County Public Trustee's – Second Quarter 2024 Report. All Commissioners voted yes.

**6. Clerk and Recorder: Consider approval of Special Events Liquor Permit for Teller County Association of Fairs and Shows.**

Presenting: Kenzie Porter, Deputy Clerk

Mrs. Terry Snare from the Teller County Association of Fairs and Shows expressed her appreciation to the Board for its support of the Fair.

Public Comment: None.

Action: Mr. Williams moved, and Mr. Stone seconded, to **approve** the Special Events Liquor Permit for Teller County Association of Fairs and Shows. All Commissioners voted yes.

Commissioner Williams thanked Mrs. Snare for her commitment to the Fair and reminded people about the 125<sup>th</sup> Teller County celebration that will occur at the Fairground on Saturday at 6 p.m.

Commissioner Stone requested the \$300 application fee for the Parks Use Permit for the Fairgrounds be refunded. Administrator Herzog will waive the fee.

**Commissioner's Business Items:** Ross Herzog, County Administrator

The Board duly approved the following business agenda items:

1. Authorized the Director of Human Services to sign the Purchase of Service Contract for Core Services Program.
2. Other administrative matters received after agenda deadlines. None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

APPROVED:

  
Robert Campbell, Chair, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

  
Stephanie Kees, Clerk & Recorder





THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO  
RESOLUTION NO. 07-25-2024 (24)

**A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2024 GENERAL, ROAD AND BRIDGE, JAIL ENTERPRISE, FLEET MANAGEMENT AND DSS FUND BUDGETS.**

**WHEREAS**, in the past, the County has recognized significant savings from employment turnover that the Board of County Commissioners could consider for use in other areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has directed staff to make a monthly budget adjustment by transferring personnel related funds from individual departments to holding departments within each fund as personnel budget needs are reduced; and from holding departments to individual departments as personnel budget needs increase, within county policy; and

**WHEREAS**, funds budgeted in the above referenced holding departments, which have been added to each fund as Personnel Contingency Departments (ending in the numbers 2190), are not appropriated nor available for expenditure and are only accessible by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners transferring them to other departmental budget accounts; and

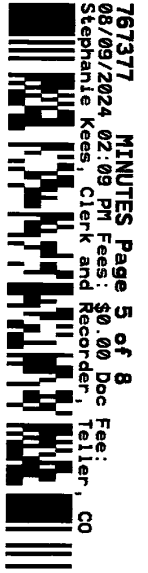
**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners hereby finds, determines and declares that adoption of this Resolution is necessary for the preservation and protection of the public health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of Teller County, Colorado,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO:**

that the departmental budgets and Personnel Contingency Department accounts be decreased as follows:

**General Fund:**

1450-2120	(\$36,023)
1450-2510	(\$3,732)
1450-2512	(\$873)
1450-2520	(\$14,407)
1450-2550	(\$108)
1450-2800	(\$2,882)
1500-2120	(\$11,294)
1500-2510	(\$1,020)
1500-2512	(\$239)
1500-2520	(\$14,407)
1500-2550	(\$34)
1500-2800	(\$904)
1600-2120	(\$22,102)
1600-2510	(\$2,132)
1600-2512	(\$499)
1600-2520	(\$15,489)
1600-2550	(\$66)
1600-2800	(\$1,768)
2100-2120	(\$33,385)
2100-2510	(\$2,117)
2100-2512	(\$495)





2100-2520	(\$7,128)
2100-2550	(\$100)
2100-2800	(\$2,671)
3000-2130	(\$26,095)
3000-2510	(\$1,650)
3000-2512	(\$386)
3000-2520	(\$372)
3000-2550	(\$78)
4500-2120	(\$24,385)
4500-2510	(\$1,702)
4500-2512	(\$398)
4500-2520	(\$6,110)
4500-2550	(\$73)
4500-2800	(\$1,950)
4998-2190	(\$132,687)

**Subtotal: (\$369,761)**

**Road and Bridge:**

0198-2190	(\$87,127)
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**Subtotal: (\$87,127)**

**Jail Enterprise:**

0075-2120	(\$81,539)
0075-2510	(\$5,055)
0075-2512	(\$1,182)
0075-2520	(\$7,155)
0075-2550	(\$245)
0075-2800	(\$6,523)
0078-2190	(\$2,000)

**Subtotal: (\$103,699)**

**Fleet Management:**

0898-2190	(\$48,747)
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**Subtotal: (\$48,747)**

**Social Services Fund:**

5210-2120	(\$32,527)
5210-2510	(\$2,017)
5210-2512	(\$472)
5210-2520	(\$14,407)
5210-2550	(\$98)
5210-2800	(\$2,062)
5998-2190	(\$64,623)

**Subtotal: (\$116,206)**

and that departmental budgets and Personnel Contingency Department accounts be increased as follows:

**GENERAL FUND:**

2000-2120	\$89,325
2000-2510	\$1,628
2000-2512	\$381
2000-2520	\$33,939
2000-2550	\$268
2000-2800	\$7,146
4998-2190	\$237,074

**Subtotal: \$369,761**

**Road and Bridge Fund:**

0150-2120	\$55,667
0150-2120-921	\$2,000
0150-2510	\$3,451
0150-2512	\$807
0150-2520	\$20,582
0150-2550	\$167
0150-2800	\$4,453

**Subtotal: \$87,127**

**Jail Enterprise:**

0075-2120-921	\$2,000
0078-2190	\$101,699

**Subtotal: \$103,699**

**Fleet Management:**

0855-2120	\$30,528
0855-2120-921	\$1,000
0855-2510	\$1,893
0855-2512	\$443
0855-2520	\$12,349
0855-2550	\$92
0855-2800	\$2,442

**Subtotal: \$48,747**

**Social Services Fund:**

5000-2120	\$32,527
5000-2510	\$2,017
5000-2512	\$472
5000-2520	\$14,407
5000-2550	\$98
5000-2800	\$2,602
5260-2120	\$10,041
5260-2510	\$493
5260-2512	\$115
5260-2520	\$1,018
5260-2550	\$30

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Stephanie Kees, Clerk and Recorder, Teller, CO



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Stephanie Kees, Clerk and Recorder, Teller, CO



5260-2800 \$803  
5998-2190 \$51,583

**Subtotal: \$116,206**

and that the amounts appropriated for expenditure be reduced and increased accordingly.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Teller County, Colorado, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Bob Campbell, Chairman

Attest:

  
Stephanie Kees, Clerk & Recorder

