

**Minutes of the Proceedings of  
The Board of County Commissioners of Teller County, Colorado  
April 27, 2023**

In attendance:

Erik Stone, County Commissioner/Chair  
Bob Campbell, County Commissioner/Vice-Chair  
Dan Williams, 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. Stone presided.

Mr. Williams gave the invocation.

Mr. Mark Czelusta led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

**Action:** Mr. Campbell moved, and Mr. Williams seconded, to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Teller County Board of County Commissioners on April 11, 2023 as presented. All Commissioners voted yes.

**Accounts Payable:**

**Action:** Mr. Campbell moved, and Mr. Williams seconded, that the Board **approve** the accounts payable run date of April 25, 2023 in the amount of \$726,356.06. All Commissioners voted yes.

**Board Reports:**

Mr. Williams:

- He noted that the Legislature will be in session for 13 more days. 611 bills have been introduced and 290 bills still remain to be heard.
- He discussed House Bill 23-1100 concerning restriction on governmental participation in civil immigration detention, the direct impact on Teller County's intergovernmental service agreement (IGSA) with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and that the Commissioners and the Sheriff sent a letter to the Governor asking him to veto this bill.
- He gave an update on the revisions to Senate Bill 23-213 concerning Land Use.
- He reported that he met with the newly hired Community Development Director, Mr. Dan Swallow.
- He commented on the retirement of the County's Information Technology Director, Craig Alexander, after 33 years and 10 months of work for the County and thanked him for his years of service.





Mr. Campbell:

- He reported on a recent meeting with the Pikes Peak Workforce Center (PPWFC) to provide consultation on Federal and State audits.
- He reported on his board meetings with Community of Caring Partnership.
- He recognized and thanked Mary Longmire with the Teller County Department of Social Services for her service to County as she retires after 18 years with the County.
- Reported on a presentation by Cary Kennedy, Senior Advisor for Fiscal Policy for Governor Polis, on Senate Bill 23-108 concerning temporary mill levy reductions and a possible new bill allowing for some relief on property valuations.

Mr. Stone:

- He gave an update on his opposition on Senate Bill 23-1230 concerning a ban on assault weapons and reported that this bill failed in committee.
- He testified in support of Senate Bill 23-108 concerning temporary mill levy reductions.
- He commented on House Bill 23-1135 concerning penalties for indecent exposure in view of minors.
- He intends to testify against House Bill 23-1165 concerning County Commissioners authority to prohibit discharge of firearms on private property.

**Elected Officials Report:**

Carol Kittelson, Assessor

- Announced that Notices of Valuation (NOV) will be mailed May 1, 2023 to property owners.
- Noted that by statute, the property values are set as of June 30, 2022.
- Announced a community forum at the Ute Pass Cultural Center on May 17, 2023 from 5 to 7 p.m. to present information on the property valuations and answer questions.
- The Assessor's website is being updated with an informational presentation.

Commissioners Stone, Williams and Campbell offered comment in support of the Assessor and her office.

Mark Czelusta, Treasurer

- Reported on the tax collections to date, the County is on target with collections and that 43% of taxes are still due.
- The online payment system is working very well.

**Administrator's Report:**

Ross Herzog, County Administrator

- He announced that Mr. Dan Swallow was hired as the Community Development Director and started work last week.
- Recognized Teller County road crews for their service during the snow storm.
- Provided information on the retirement festivities for Craig Alexander.

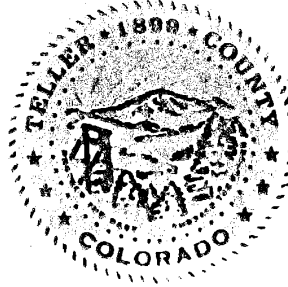
- 2. Time Reserved for Department Heads and Public Without an Appointment:**  
Department Heads: None  
Public Comment: None.
- 3. Employee Service Awards:**
- Craig Alexander, IT Director, 33+ years of service, was honored for his service to the County and his retirement.
- 4. Administration: Consider Resolution No. 04-27-2023(13) to amend various 2023 department funds.**  
Presenting: Ross Herzog, County Administrator  
Public Comment: None  
Action: Mr. Campbell moved, and Mr. Williams seconded, to **approve Resolution No. 04-27-2023(13)** a Resolution to amend the 2023 General, Road and Bridge, Jail Enterprise, Fleet Management, Conservation Trust and DSS fund budgets and to attach it to the written minutes to show the details of the budget adjustments. All Commissioners voted yes.
- 5. Public Trustee: Consider approval of Public Trustee's 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report for 2023**  
Presenting: Mark Czelusta, Public Trustee  
Public Comment: None  
**Action:** Mr. Williams moved, and Mr. Campbell seconded, to **approve** the Public Trustee's 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report. All Commissioners voted yes.
- 6. Administration: Consider Resolution No. 04-27-2023(14) rescinding the current Stage II Fire Ban.**  
Presenting: Ross Herzog, County Administrator  
Board discussion about the fuel moisture levels, fire mitigation efforts, and that the U.S. Forest Service is still in a Stage II Fire Ban in the Pike National Forest.  
Public Comment: None  
Action: Mr. Campbell moved, and Mr. Williams seconded, to **approve Resolution No. 04-27-2023(14)** a Resolution to rescind the current Stage II Fire Ban. All Commissioners voted yes.
- Commissioner's Business Items:** Ross Herzog, County Administrator  
The Board duly approved the following business agenda items:
1. "Statement of Work" for extension of Office of Public Health Practice (OPHP) Workforce Development funding.
  2. Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Higher Ground Designs with any modifications requested by the Contractor and approved by the County Attorney.
  3. Special Events Permit for Revenant Running.
  4. Special Events Permit for Colorado Springs Sports Corporation.
  5. Grant Statement of Work for Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) – Child Fatality Prevention System.
  6. Additional administrative matters received after agenda deadlines.
    - a. Public Works request to donate seven (7) wrecked county vehicles to Divide Fire Department for training exercises.



There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

APPROVED:   
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:   
Clerk & Recorder



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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO  
RESOLUTION NO. 04-27-2023 (13)

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2023 GENERAL, ROAD AND BRIDGE, JAIL ENTERPRISE, FLEET MANAGEMENT, CONSERVATION TRUST 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:

<b>General Fund:</b>	
1400-2190	(\$827,500)
4500-2120	(\$35,467)
4500-2510	(\$2,322)
4500-2512	(\$543)
4500-2550	(\$106)
4998-2190	(\$544,968)
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>(\$1,410,904)</b>
<b>Road and Bridge:</b>	
0150-2190	(\$83,000)
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>(\$83,000)</b>
<b>Jail Enterprise:</b>	
0075-2120	(\$67,276)
0075-2510	(\$4,171)
0075-2512	(\$975)
0075-2520	(\$35,141)
0075-2550	(\$202)
0075-2800	(\$8,074)
0075-2190	(\$1,000)

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0078-2190 (82,500)  
Subtotal: (\$199,339)

**Fleet Management:**

0855-2190 (\$19,500)  
0898-2190 (\$100,116)

Subtotal: (\$119,616)

**Conservation Trust:**

0045-2190 (\$2,000)

Subtotal: (\$2,000)

**Social Services Fund:**

5260-2120 (\$36,322)  
5260-2510 (\$2,252)  
5260-2512 (\$527)  
5260-2520 (\$20,466)  
5260-2550 (\$109)  
5260-2800 (\$2,543)  
5400-2120 (\$28,378)  
5400-2510 (\$1,978)  
5400-2512 (\$463)  
5400-2520 (\$1,540)  
5400-2550 (\$85)  
5400-2800 (\$1,986)  
5400-2190 (\$95,500)

Subtotal: (\$192,149)

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

**GENERAL FUND:**

1000-2120 \$8,289  
1000-2510 \$514  
1000-2512 \$120  
1000-2550 \$25  
1000-2800 \$580  
1500-2120 \$3,737  
1500-2510 \$92  
1500-2512 \$22  
1500-2520 \$44  
1500-2550 \$11  
1600-2120 \$29,418  
1600-2510 \$1,824  
1600-2512 \$427  
1600-2520 \$89  
1600-2550 \$88  
2000-2120 \$99,826  
2000-2120-921 \$1,000





2000-2510	\$4,618
2000-2512	\$1,080
2000-2520	\$43,736
2000-2550	\$14,068
2000-2800	\$4,018
2010-2120	\$177,667
2010-2120-921	\$4,000
2010-2510	\$11,015
2010-2512	\$2,576
2010-2520	\$30,779
2010-2550	\$533
2250-2120	\$40,232
2250-2510	\$2,494
2250-2512	\$583
2250-2520	\$20,466
2250-2550	\$121
2250-2800	\$2,816
4100-2120	\$25,774
4100-2120-921	\$1,000
4100-2510	\$1,598
4100-2512	\$374
4100-2520	\$9,235
4100-2550	\$77
4998-2190	\$865,938
<b>Subtotal:</b>	<b>\$1,410,904</b>

**Jail Enterprise:**

0075-2120-921	\$1,000
0078-2190	\$198,339

**Subtotal: \$199,339**

**Road and Bridge:**

0198-2190	\$83,000
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**Subtotal: \$83,000**

**Fleet Management:**

0855-2120	\$29,493
0855-2120-921	\$1,000
0855-2510	\$37,174
0855-2512	\$2,305
0855-2520	\$539
0855-2550	\$29,493
0855-2800	\$112
0898-2190	\$19,500

**Subtotal: \$119,616**

**Conservation Trust:**



0048-2190 \$2,000  
**Subtotal: \$2,000**

**Social Services Fund:**  
 5998-2190 \$192,149  
**Subtotal: \$192,149**

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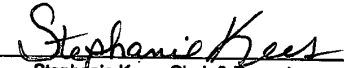
and that the amounts appropriated for expenditure be reduced and increased accordingly.

Adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Teller County, Colorado, this 27th day of April 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 OF TELLER COUNTY, COLORADO

Attest:

By:   
 Erik Stone, Chairman

  
 Stephanie Kees, Clerk & Recorder



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