

MINUTES OF THE CHEYENNE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Thursday, February 19, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Ronald Smith called the meeting to order at 9:01 am with Commissioners RJ Jolly and Rick Pelton, Administrator Marcy Brossman, Clerk to Board Allison Brown and Max Waugh present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/PRAYER

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Waugh discussed road damage with the Board, and proposed ideas to better fix and maintain the roads, as well as ideas for better control of weeds.

Public Health Director Kelli Adamson and Grant Coordinator Autumn Pelton joined the meeting at 9:17 am.

Waugh left the meeting at 9:18 am.

APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to approve the February 10, 2026 and February 11, 2026 minutes as written. Motion passed.

Recess as Board of County Commissioners at 9:19 am.

MINUTES OF THE CHEYENNE COUNTY
BOARD OF PUBLIC HEALTH

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Smith called the meeting to order at 9:20 am.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to approve the financials. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM UPDATES

a. Epidemiology

Influenza and Covid infections are still high across the State.

COMMUNITIES THAT CARE FUNDING UPDATE

Communities that Care grant funding runs out as of June 30, 2026. Adamson and Pelton have found another grant for chronic disease management and prevention, along with the current emergency preparedness and response grant that could cover Pelton's salary through the end of 2026. The benefit package would be an expense of the County.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 am. Motion passed.

Adamson and Pelton left the meeting at 9:51 am.

Human Services Director Jane Tallman joined the meeting at 9:51 am.

MINUTES OF THE CHEYENNE COUNTY BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Smith called the meeting to order at 9:53 am.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

UPDATES

a. General Updates

Child Welfare with Kit Carson County is going well.

b. Employee Update

Tallman expressed concern over mistakes being made by an eligibility technician. Errors are being documented, and Tallman is not planning on taking punitive action at this time. She will request more oversight from the State.

FINANCIALS

Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to approve and sign the EBTs. Motion passed.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 am. Motion passed.

Tallman left the meeting at 10:02 am.

Shawn Franz, Nathan Gramm and Steve Hill joined the meeting at 10:02 am.

10:00 am: CodeRED – Shawn Franz, Kit Carson County Communication Center

Franz informed the Board that CodeRED was hacked several months ago, and isn't yet back to full functionality. Kit Carson and Lincoln Counties are moving forward with switching to Hyper-Reach for those services.

Campaigning will have to take place, to get residents to opt in with their cell phone numbers, but overall the service looks better and the cost is smaller.

Franz, Gramm and Hill left the meeting at 10:14 am.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Cheyenne Wells Housing Property

Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to sell 80x140 foot lots in city limits for \$2800 without sewer service. Land outside city limits will be sold for \$3,000/acre with a 3-acre max. Discussion. The Board will draft a set of rules for construction and have County Attorney Kelly Lowery review. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Northeast Rural Philanthropy Days Sponsorship Request from Town of Kit Carson

Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to approve a \$1500.00 sponsorship for Northeast Rural Philanthropy Days. Motion passed.

b. Bert Davis, The Coppertown Clown, Rodeo Entertainer Contract

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to reject the contract with Bert Davis. Motion passed.

c. County Coroner Vehicle Garage

County Coroner Donna March received a quote for a carport to store the coroner pickup under. Consensus of the Board is to have her talk with Sheriff Buchanan about parking in the garage at the Sheriff's office temporarily. That will give time to plan, design and budget for a permanent solution.

d. Road & Bridge District #3 Employee

District 3 Foreman Jim Brown would like to increase wages for a new part-time employee during the 90-day probationary period. Consensus of the Board is to table the issue until Pelton can discuss with Brown and the employee.

EXPENSE VOUCHERS AND WARRANTS

Commissioners reviewed and approved expense vouchers on the various funds.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 am. Motion passed.