

MINUTES OF THE CHEYENNE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Friday, July 10, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Ronald Smith called the meeting to order at 9:32 am, with Commissioners RJ Jolly and Rick Pelton, Administrator Marcy Brossman, Clerk to the Board Allison Brown and Delene Walsh present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/PRAYER

APPROVE AGENDA

Additions: Beer Garden, Chris Allen Email, Arapahoe Siren, Xcel.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVE MINUTES

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to approve the June 29, 2026 minutes as written. Motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

a. Beer Garden

The Yuma Knights of Columbus wants a guaranteed \$2000 profit for hosting a beer garden at the fair. Consensus of the Board is to approve covering the difference in the event the profit isn't met.

b. Rope Issue

A contestant of the Celebrity Pig Show wants to swing into the arena on a rope. Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to allow for the rope to be hung with a notarized liability waiver, setup and installation inspection by the Board prior, and immediate removal of the rope after the show. Motion passed.

County Assessor Lacey Welsh joined the meeting at 9:42 am.

9:45 am: Annual Valuation Report & Printer Request – County Assessor Lacey Welsh
Welsh presented the State’s 2026 Annual Valuation Report. The numbers are not final, as companies have more time to appeal their valuation.

Welsh presented three quotes for a replacement printer for her office. Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to approve the purchase of a Canon printer and maintenance plan from Gobin’s Inc. in Lamar. Motion passed.

Kit Carson County Human Services Director Jennifer Gribble joined the meeting at 9:54 am.

Welsh left the meeting at 9:56 am.

10:00 am: Updates – Jennifer Gribble, Kit Carson County Human Services Director
Kit Carson County Caseworker Karly Lane joined the meeting at 9:59 am.

Discussion regarding the number of open cases in the County. There are currently two open Child Welfare and one Adult Protection cases.

Discussion regarding combining the Public Health Director and Human Services Director positions.

Gribble and Lane left the meeting at 10:10 am.

Recessed at 10:10 am.

Reconvened 10:16 am.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Arapahoe Road Survey Status

Consensus of the Board is to table until the surveyor can be contacted.

b. Domestic Sludge Regulation Moratorium Status

Discussion regarding the moratorium, as it expires next month. Commissioner Jolly moved with a second from Commissioner Pelton to extend the moratorium until the next annual reorganization. Motion passed.

c. Emergency Preparedness Director Position

The State has rules of 50% of an FTE to qualify for the funding of an Emergency Preparedness Director. Discussion.

RETAC Coordinator Kim Schallenberger joined the meeting at 10:40 am.

Land Use Administrator Jerry Allen joined the meeting at 10:42 am.

10:45 am: Rural Health Transformation Grant – Kim Schallenberger, RETAC Coordinator

Plains to Peaks RETAC is currently looking at applying for the Rural Health Transformation Grant. Discussion regarding the grant goals and purpose. Consensus of the Board is to allow for the grant application as the fiscal agent.

Schallenberger left the meeting at 11:07 am.

11:00 am: Subdivision Exemption Application for Alice Akers – Jerry Allen, Land Use Administrator

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to approve the subdivision exemption for Alice Akers. Motion passed.

Allen left the meeting at 11:23 am.

Burt Nordyke joined the meeting at 11:23 am.

Nordyke is still experiencing issues with tumbleweeds covering his house and yard, and would like something to be done about it.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Marijuana Nuisance

Nordyke reported that his house smells like marijuana all the time, due to a grow house near his property. Discussion regarding requiring air filtration in the grow houses to prevent the smell from traveling. The Board will look into laws or ordinances that it has the ability to enforce.

Nordyke left the meeting at 11:50 am.

Greg and Sally Pettibone joined the meeting via telephone at 11:54 am.

Discussion regarding the survey of the planned road on the west end of Arapahoe.

Walsh left the meeting at 12:07 pm.

Telephone call ended at 12:14 pm.

Recess at 12:14 pm

Reconvened at 12:26 pm.

NEW BUSINESS, cont.

b. Senya Tech, LTD Crusher Quote

The Board reviewed a quote for a rock crusher from Senya Tech, LTD.

Consensus of the Board is to table until after current budget reports are received.

c. Construction Permit for Installation of Utilities in Public Right-of-Way for Rebeltec Communications

Jonathan Palmer with Tower Engineering Professionals joined the meeting via telephone at 12:32 pm.

Discussion.

Telephone call ended at 12:40 pm.

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

OTHER BUSINESS, cont.

c. Xcel

Xcel has not responded to the letter sent last meeting, or begun removing pedestals from the county's right-of-way.

d. Arapahoe Siren

The Arapahoe warning siren will be installed next Thursday.

EXPENSE VOUCHERS AND WARRANTS

Commissioners reviewed vouchers and signed warrants on the various funds.

CORRESPONDENCE

a. Monthly Reports from Various Departments

ADJOURN

Commissioner Pelton moved with a second from Commissioner Jolly to adjourn the meeting at 12:48 pm. Motion passed.