

Ouray County Regional Service Authority
Regular Board Meeting, October 14, 2025
12:30 PM – Alpine Bank Meeting Room, Ridgway, CO

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MINUTES

1. Call to Order & Roll Call by Board President Nancy Nixon at 12:33pm.

Board Members: Laura Berg (District 1), Nancy Nixon (District 2), Mary Ann Guilinger (District 3), Carolyn Dresler (District 4), Deborah Denise Boerner (District 5)

Staff: Josey Scoville

Provider Rep: Susie Blakney

Public: Michelle Nauer (BOCC), Cat Lichtenbelt (OCEMS), Kristin Kelly (OC Public Health Director), Devin Bullis (Deputy Chief EMS, Ouray County)

2. Additions and deletions to the agenda

a. Annual evaluation for Administrator

i. Josey to email the relevant job description & review documents to the board

3. Approval of September 16, 2025 RSA Board Meeting Minutes

a. **Motion to approve the September 16, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes without changes.**

Motion by Mary Ann, 2nd by Laura, all in favor, motion passed.

4. Public Input

a. “Public Input” agenda item is a time when the public may bring forth items of interest or concern. No formal action may be taken on these items during this time due to the open meeting law provision; however, they may be placed on a future posted agenda if action is required. Each speaker will be limited to a maximum of five minutes, and the format shall be limited to presentations only. The Board will not engage with any speaker during the “Public Input” item. Personal attacks, personnel and employment matters, the use of profanity or ethnic, racial or gender-oriented slurs are prohibited, as is any “disorderly conduct” which violations State or Local law and shall not be permitted. If any individual disregards these rules, they will be asked to leave the RSA Board Meeting.

5. Medical Provider Input (by Susie Blakney)

a. Request for standard Q3 report from CPH to be given next month (was due today)

b. CPH staying very busy even heading into offseason:

i. Dr. Gates is seeing 20-22 patients/day (Adriana, NP seeing 16-18)

c. Flu Clinic – 133 flu shots given. Also, giving shots on an as-needed basis for walk-ins.

d. COVID vaccines given at OC Public Health or in Montrose at pharmacies.

e. MA Update: Losing 2 of 3 in the next month (transferring back to Montrose). Really need help retaining staff.

f. Electrician Update for security lights: should be done soon.

6. Administrator Report

a. Notice of November’s Public Budget Hearing has been submitted to the newspaper.

b. Sprinklers will be winterized @ CPH Ridgway building on 10/17 (DD & Susie coordinated)

c. Biannual HVAC inspection due – Josey will email Snipps to get set up.

d. 2026 Property & Liability Renewal completed. Invoice to be paid later in the meeting.

e. Annual Inventory due to be completed at CPH within the next 2 months. Josey will coordinate with Susie to complete it.

f. Standard financial reports are in Dropbox for board member review. No big changes.

g. Invoices to Approve

i. Ouray County Plaindealer: \$32.20 (monthly 2” x 2” meeting ad)

ii. Conerly & Callahan: \$442.50 (research into forgivable loan concept)

- iii. Henry Schein: \$8,312.74 (new sterilizer)
- iv. Colorado Special Districts Property & Liability Pool: \$538 (2026 work comp insurance)
- Motion to approve payment of the 4 invoices.**
- Motion by DD, 2nd by Laura, All in favor, motion passed.

7. Old Business

- a. Data Gathering Project (Cat Lichtenbelt with Ouray County EMS)
 - i. Presentation by Cat & board discussion regarding the project and its associated costs.
 - ii. **Motion to approve the Community Needs Assessment Budget Proposal at \$85,000.**
 - Motion by DD, 2nd by Nancy.
 - In favor: Nancy, DD, Mary Ann, Laura. Against: Carolyn. Motion passes 4-1.
- b. Discussion re: Regional Equity Adjustment
 - i. Potential issue regarding using public funds for a for-profit company. Treading carefully and seeking legal advice to ensure proper use of our public funds.
 - ii. Devin recommends we review Senate Bill 19-052 concerning expansion of an emergency medical service provider's scope of practice.
 - 1. Could hiring EMTs help with MA shortage?
 - iii. Need to hear back from the Special District lawyer in Denver about what RSA can actually do with the public funds.
 - 1. Could also reach out to a lawyer through the SDA since we are members there.
- c. Presentation of Preliminary Budget for 2026
 - i. Presentation by Josey & board discussion regarding the budget. No major changes requested from the draft changes made last month.
 - ii. Josey to upload the preliminary budget to the RSA website for community review.
 - iii. **Motion to approve the 2026 Proposed Budget of the RSA.**
 - Motion by Carolyn, 2nd by DD. All in favor, motion passed.
 - iv. **Motion to immediately purchase a new laptop and related ECG software for CPH with a maximum cost of \$8,000**
 - 1. Motion by DD, 2nd by Nancy, all in favor, motion passed.

8. New Business

- a. OCEMS Memorandum of Understanding
 - i. Presentation by Cat & Board Discussion regarding the potential MOU.
 - ii. **Motion & Amendments regarding the MOU:**
 - 1. Please accept the MOU presented today by Cat Lichtenbelt @ OCEMS with the following changes:
 - III. Term – Term to begin November 1, 2025
 - VII. 1. Confidentiality – Include “RSA” after Ouray County in the following sentence: “Ouray County retains sole and final discretion for its own potential records release(s) in response to any Colorado Open Records Act request, subpoena, or other lawful request for records.”
 - 2. Amendment: Include Ouray County Public Health (OCPH) at the top of the form, bottom of the form, under II. Parties, and throughout the document as appropriate. Change verbiage to “all” instead of “both.”
 - Under V. Roles & Responsibilities – Add C. OCPH & roles as appropriate, including in-kind donations.
- Motion by Carolyn, 2nd by Laura, all in favor, motion passed.**
- iii. Cat to redraft with the changes above & resubmit to Leo Caselli for review.

- iv. RSA Board will hold a special meeting sometime before the next BOCC meeting on Nov. 5 to review any final changes and to designate a committee member to participate in the community needs assessment survey development.

9. Next Meeting:

- a. November 18, 2025

Board Meeting at **12:30pm**, Ridgway Public Library, Ridgway, CO

10. Adjournment

- a. **Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:40pm**

Motion by DD, 2nd by Mary Ann, all in favor, motion passed.

Deadline for agenda items for the next regular meeting:

Tuesday, November 11, 2025 4:00pm.

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