

**SAN MIGUEL COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2025

333 WEST COLORADO AVE 2ND FLOOR, TELLURIDE, CO 81435

1. 9:30 a.m. Call to Order

(Any of the stated items in this agenda may involve an Executive Session C.R.S. 24-6-402(4))

2. Roll Call

Present:

Anne Brown, Chair

Lance Waring, Vice Chair

Galena Gleason, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Mike Bordogna, County Manager

Jarrold Biggs, Deputy County Manager

Maura Fahey, County Attorney

Nancy Willis, Paralegal

Carmen Warfield, Chief Deputy Clerk

3. Moment of Silence

4. Review of Agenda

5. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Please limit comments to 3 minutes. If comments are not related to an item on the agenda, there will be no Board response or action taken since the topic was not posted with proper notice and any comment could potentially violate the Colorado Open Meetings Law.

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes: May 14, 2025, May 21, 2025, and May 28, 2025.
- b. Approval of the Chair's signature on a renewal of retail liquor Store License for 19 Lone Hand LLC d/b/a The Blue Jay, 22332 Hwy 145, Placerville CO 81430.
- c. Approval of Chair's signature on an agreement with the USDA, Forest Service, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, and Gunnison National Forests for a Road project for Beaver Park Gravel Crushing and Surface Rock Maintenance.
- d. Approval of Chair's signature on an agreement with the USDA, Forest Service, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests for the National Forest System Road 869 Imogene Pass Retaining Wall Replacement.

Motion by Galena Gleason to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Lance Waring. PASSED 3-0.

7. Administrative Matters

- a. Presentation of the Opioid settlement board report detailing funding allocated within our county.

Presented by: Grace Franklin, Director of Public Health; Janet Rowland, Southwest Colorado Opioid Regional Council; Cole Cooper, Southwest Colorado Opioid Regional Council; Melanie Montoya, Tri-County Health Network; Hannah Max, Telluride Medical Center; Laura Cattrell, Telluride Medical Center

- b. Consideration of Chair's signature on Resolution 2025-20 of the Board of County Commissioners of San Miguel County, Colorado, naming Paulo Munguia to the Honorary Post of Poet Laureate of San Miguel County./MOTION

Presented by: Art Goodtimes, former San Miguel County Commissioner; Paulo Munguia, Candidate for the Honorary Poet Laureate; Joanna Yonder, Poet Laureate 2022-2025

Motion by Lance Waring to approve Resolution 2025-20 naming Paulo Munguia to the Honorary Post of Poet Laureate of San Miguel County. Seconded by Galena Gleason. PASSED 3-0.

8. County Housing Matters

10:30 a.m. Recessed.

10:31 a.m. Reconvened.

- a. (The Board of Commissioners is sitting as the San Miguel County Housing Authority.)
Public Discussion of deed restriction, legal review, and interpretation.

The Board of County Commissioners is now sitting as the San Miguel County Housing Authority, and any action taken will be as that body.

Note: Lance Waring and Anne Brown disclosed the following agenda item will involve a discussion of deed-restricted properties within San Miguel County, and the operation of certain covenants and restrictions in the interest of transparency, and to address perceived conflict of interest of transparency, and to address any perceived conflict of interest disclosing on the record that they are the owner of deed restricted property within San Miguel County, and have entered into a covenant with the county for that property. Both believe that this will not impact their ability to remain fair and impartial in today's discussion.

Presented by: Maura Fahey, County Attorney; Jarrod Biggs, Deputy County Manager

Public Who Addressed the Board:

Lee Roufa, County resident
Shellie Duplan, Aldasoro HOA
Anneliese Riebel, Alpine Title
Matthew Lagoe, County resident
Ginny Gordon, County resident
Dylan Brooks, County resident
Matthew Allen, County resident

11:44 a.m. Recessed

11:52 a.m. Reconvened.

Agenda item continued.

No directions or decisions were made.

- b. Discussion of the need for fire restrictions due to the warm weather and wind.

Presented by: Dan Covault, County Sheriff

Note: There are currently no fire restrictions in place. Most likely, they will be enacted within the next couple of weeks, depending on the weather.

9. Lunch

12:31 p.m. Recessed.

1:03 p.m. Reconvened.

10. Administrative Matters - Continued.

- a. Consideration of Proclamation 2025-06 proclaiming June 2025 as "Immigrant Heritage Month" throughout San Miguel County./MOTION

Presented by: Tabassum Siddiqui, Tri-County Health Network

Motion by Galena Gleason to approve the **Proclamation 2025-06** proclaiming June 2025 as "Immigrant Heritage Month" throughout San Miguel County. **Seconded** by Lance Waring. **PASSED 3-0.**

11. Department of Human Services

(The Board of Commissioners is sitting as the San Miguel County Board of Human Services.)

- a. Recognition of the Department of Human Services Director and Staff for the

distinguished performance ranking.

Presented by: Mike Bordogna, County Manager; Linnea Edwards, Director of Human Services

- b. Continued to July 2, 2025, board meeting.
Consideration of approving the Department of Human Services Balance Sheet, April 2025; Earned Revenue and Expenditures, April 2025; Expenditures through Electronic Benefit Transfers, May 2025; Check Register for the Month of May 2025; County Allocation/MOE reports April 2025; and 2025 Caseload Reports./MOTION
- c. Consideration of the Chair's signature on a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) affirming the performance contract (Works Program)./MOTION

Presented by: Linnea Edwards, Director of Human Services

Motion by Lance Waring to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) affirming the performance contract as presented. **Seconded** by Galena Gleason. **PASSED 3-0.**

12. Natural Resources and Climate Resilience

Update and other, as needed.
Star Jamison, Director

- a. Consideration of approving six EV chargers to be located at four county facilities./MOTION

Presented by: Starr Jamison, Director of Natural Resources and Climate Resilience

Motion by Galena Gleason to authorize the award of the bid (as presented) with the additional amount of funds \$57,558 to come from the county's capital fund.
Seconded by Lance Waring. **PASSED 3-0.**

- b. Discussion of pursuing a grant application for San Miguel County through the U.S. Department of Transportation - Safe Streets for All grant - Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

Note: At this time, the board direction is for staff to pursue this opportunity.

- c. Discussion of the potential Public Land Sales.

Presented by: Starr Jamison, Director of Natural Resources and Climate Resilience

Note: To continue the process of developing a letter opposing any public land sales.

This letter will be sent to the Commissioners for review.

Public Who Addressed the Board:
Ryan Righetti, Road and Bridge Superintendent
Morgan Smith, County resident
Ruthie Boyd, Sheep Mountain Alliance

Update and other, as needed.
GMUG National Forests -Comment period for the South Uncompahgre Hazardous
Fuels and Ecological Resiliency (SUHFER) Project
Climate Summit 2025 - applying to present the Payment for Ecosystem Services at
Mountain Town
Update on the Telluride e-bike Share Program.

13. Manager Matters

Update and other, as needed
Mike Bordogna, County Manager

- a. Consideration of a bid award for the Tomboy road repair./MOTION

Presented by: Mike Bordogna, County Manager; Ryan Righetti, Road and Bridge Superintendent

Motion by Lance Waring to authorize a bid [and finalize a contract] with Earthtech and Access in motion for the amount specified, which will include \$175,000 from the capital fund expenditures for the county for the Tomboy road repair. **Seconded** by Galena Gleason. **PASSED 3-0.**

Other, as needed.

1. The Finance team has interviewed for a Senior Accountant position, and an offer has been made. Human Resources is waiting for a response.
2. Attendance at the Lodging Tax meeting
3. The county's community budget survey will be available online next week.
4. San Miguel County will be closed tomorrow in observance of Juneteenth.
5. Phil Weiser, Colorado Attorney General, will meet with the public and local elected officials at the Telluride Library on July 3rd, with a start time of approximately 10 a.m.
6. The galloping goose train will be staying in Ridway due to the weather damage it sustained in Telluride.
7. Update on the monitoring well and the San Bernardo Cooperative Well Agreement.

14. Commissioner Updates

Anne Brown - Update on Outside Meetings.

Galena Gleason - Update on Outside Meetings.

Lance Waring - Update on Outside Meetings.

Lance Waring - San Miguel Regional Housing Authority meeting, Town of Telluride Council meeting; Colorado Communities for Climate Action -CC4CA

Galena Gleason - Meeting with constituents over vegetation management

Anne Brown - Met with Sheriff Daniel Covault; SMART Board meeting; Visit at the Museum; Senior Lunch

A review of the Housing Needs Assessment for the Town of Mountain Village, the San Miguel Board of County Commissioners, the Town of Telluride, and the San Miguel Regional Housing Authority board will be conducted at 1 pm on July 7th, in the Miramonte meeting room.

15. Attorney Matters

Update and other, as needed.

Maura Fahey, County Attorney (Any of these items may involve an Executive Session C.R.S. 24-6-402(4))

Presented by: Maura Fahey, County Attorney

Update on the Telluride Ski and Golf property for sale in Illum Valley.

- a. Consideration of Chair's signature on a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town of Mountain Village and the Alexander property owners./MOTION

Presented by: Jarrod Biggs, Deputy County Manager

Motion by Lance Waring to approve the Memorandum of Understanding as presented. **Seconded** by Galena Gleason. **PASSED 3-0.**

- b. Consideration of the Chair's signature on Owner Authorization regarding land use application, including the Rio Grande Southern parcel./MOTION

Presented by: Maura Fahey, County Attorney

Motion by Lance Waring to approve the Chair's signature on an authorization regarding land use application as presented. **Seconded** by Galena Gleason. **PASSED 3-0.**

16. Break

3:06 p.m. Recessed.

5:00 p.m. Reconvened.

17. County Housing Matters

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Shellie Duplan, Aldsaro HOA

Lee Roufa, County resident

Matthew Lagoe, County resident

18. Adjournment

Motion by Lance Waring to adjourn the meeting. **Seconded** by Galena Gleason. **PASSED 3-0.**

6:35 p.m. Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: July 16, 2025

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Anne Brown

ATTEST:

Carmen Warfield



**Proclamation of the Board of County Commissioners of
San Miguel County, Colorado, proclaiming June 2025 as
“Immigrant Heritage Month”
throughout San Miguel County**

Proclamation 2025-06

WHEREAS, regardless of their immigration status, every human being has an inherent right to safety, food, and shelter; and

WHEREAS, the San Miguel County Board of Commissioners honors the dignity of all county residents, workers and visitors, regardless of nationality, and recognizes the importance of their many contributions to the social and economic life of the county; and,

WHEREAS, immigration also enhances San Miguel County’s cultural diversity, adding a variety of abilities, perspectives, languages, customs, traditions, values, and cuisines that enrich the lives of the residents of our County; and

WHEREAS, discrimination, racism, dehumanization and objectification have profound impacts on immigrant communities, leading to trauma, exploitation, and fear; and

WHEREAS, immigrants have been tireless leaders not only in securing their own rights and access to equal opportunity, but have also campaigned to create a fairer and more just society for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, during National Immigrant Heritage Month, we recognize and celebrate the history and achievements of immigrant communities throughout the nation and within our local community; and

WHEREAS, the San Miguel County Board of Commissioners also joins people around the globe in commemorating World Refugee Day annually on June 20, a day when we recognize, honor, and uplift the strength, courage, and humanity of millions of people forced to flee violence, persecution, and war.

NOW, THEREFORE, the commissioners of San Miguel County proclaim June 2025 as **IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH** and call this observance to the attention of all of our residents, workers and visitors and encourage them to learn more about the social and economic impact of immigrants to our community, state and nation.

Done and approved by the Board of Commissioners of San Miguel County, Colorado, at a duly noticed public meeting held in Telluride, Colorado, on June 18, 2025.

Board of County Commissioners
San Miguel County, Colorado

Anne Brown

Anne Brown, Chair

Attest:



Carmen Warfield

Carmen L. Warfield, Chief Deputy Clerk to the Board

Vote:

Anne Brown	x	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Galena Gleason	x	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Lance Waring	x	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
	x				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SAN MIGUEL
COUNTY, COLORADO NAMING PAULO MUNGUIA TO THE HONORARY POST OF
POET LAUREATE OF SAN MIGUEL COUNTY**

Resolution 2025 - 20

WHEREAS, San Miguel County continues a tradition that began in 2006 of appointing county poet laureates upon the recommendation of the Telluride Institute's Talking Gourds poetry program; and

WHEREAS, preceding San Miguel County Poet Laureates have included Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer (2006-10), Ellen Marie Metrick (2011-13), Peter Waldor (2014-16), Elissa Dickson (2016-18), Daiva Chesonis (2019-22), and Joanna Yonder (2023-2025); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Paulo Munguia lives in Montrose and has worked as a contractor in Telluride, been a featured performer at Bardic Trails with the Wilkinson Public Library and at Stories & Poems in Norwood, performed poetry at the Telluride Arts Headquarters and exhibited his poems at the Ah Ha School for the Arts – all in San Miguel County; and

WHEREAS, poets in other jurisdictions, such as Denver and Santa Fe, have been appointed poet laureates, although they lived not within the jurisdiction's boundaries but within the region; and

WHEREAS, San Miguel County has a sizable Spanish-speaking population that is precious to our community and deserves equivalent access to the literary arts as English-speakers do; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Munguia is an inspiring performer of his poetry in Spanish and has done multi-lingual readings; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Munguia has been recommended for this honor by the Telluride Institute's Talking Gourds poetry program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The San Miguel County Board of County Commissioners ("BOCC") does hereby appoint Mr. Munguia as Poet Laureate of San Miguel County; and
2. The BOCC does hereby declare that Mr. Munguia shall serve a two-year term, from June 2025 to June 2027, and their responsibilities will be to promote the literary arts in Telluride, San Miguel County, the Western Slope, and around the state.

DONE AND APPROVED by the BOCC at a regular meeting held at Telluride, Colorado, on June 18, 2025.

San Miguel County, Colorado

 Anne Brown

Anne Brown, Chair

Attest:

 Carmen Warfield 

Carmen L. Warfield, Chief Deputy Clerk to the Board

Vote:

Anne Brown	☒ Aye	☐ Nay	☐ Abstain	☐ Absent
Galena Gleason	☒ Aye	☐ Nay	☐ Abstain	☐ Absent
Lance Waring	☒ Aye	☐ Nay	☐ Abstain	☐ Absent