

FREMONT COUNTY REGIONAL GIS AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 17, 2025

President Stacey Seifert called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. in Room 208 of the Fremont County Administration Building, 615 Macon Avenue, Cañon City, Colorado.

Roll-call:

PRESENT:

Stacey Seifert, President
Don Palumbo
Randy Leshner
Scott Johnson
Mike Smith
James Wade
Leo Evans
Mike Whitt

ABSENT:

Tim Dennehy

Guests:

Keith Berry – GIS Manager, and Jennifer Irvine – Fremont Sanitation District

Minutes:

Board Member, Mike Smith motioned, and Scott Johnson seconded to approve the minutes for the Board Meeting of March 13st, 2025, as presented. All ayes.

Financial Report:

The statement dated June 30, 2025, for the High-Country Bank (HCB) checking account showed a balance of \$10,625.71. Manager Berry reported that as of Jul 10, 2025, there was a projected reconciled balance of \$27,867.32 available from that account.

The statement dated June 20, 2025, for the High-Country Bank MMDA (Money Market Demand Account) account showed a balance of \$182,158.67. Manager Berry reported that as of July 10, 2025, there was a projected \$147,158.67 available from that account.

The statement dated June 30, 2025, for the GIS Authority's EDGE account with COLOTRUST showed a balance of \$181,442.53. Manager Berry reported that as of July 10, 2025, there was a reported balance of \$181,639.14 available from that account.

Manager Berry presented a Balance Sheet report for the Authority as of July 10th, 2025, with current assets totaling \$356,665.13.

Discussion Items:

A. HEALTHCARE STIPEND INCREASE FOR 2026

Manager Berry discussed an increase in the Healthcare Stipend for 2026 since the GIS Authority caught up with the average of \$17,000 from 2024 and based off the "Average Annual Worker and Employer Contributions to Premiums and Total Premiums for Family Coverage, 1999-2024" graph for 2025 healthcare stipends have increased to about \$17,600. Manager Keith Berry proposed to increase the current \$17,000 healthcare stipend to \$17,500 to keep up with the average and not fall behind.

B. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT 2026 BUDGET FOR GIS AUTHORITY

Manager Berry discussed the 2026 Budget for Consideration as a 6% increase. The 6% increase is established to continue toward a budget that supports 3 Full Time Employee's; however, current inflation is slowing this progress. The board discussed the financial burdens coming for the next few years from lack of state funding, and decided the 6% increase with a 3 % COLA raise for the employees of the GIS Authority. This will be voted on at the

C. DISPATCH CENTER SYSTEM

Manager Berry informed the board the GIS data being utilized for the new Dispatch Center system has been functioning well. Not too many issues from a GIS standpoint. They are scheduled for a update to the system to 2025.1 in August of 2025.

D. DANA LEAVING AND NEW HIRE THOMAS WILT

Manager Berry informed the board that the assistant manager Dana Young left the GIS Authority July 10th, 2025 for a GIS position at the Sanitation District. Manager Berry also told the board that he posted a GIS Analyst position for a replacement position in the office and received 63 applications from all over the world. Narrowed the candidates to 8 and interviewed 4 applicants. Choosing Thomas Wilt from Canon City to become a GIS Analyst and started work on July 7th, 2025 to overlap 1 week working with Dana to learn workflows and our enterprise and ArcGIS Online environment.

New Business:

A. Request for Future Agenda Items.

No new business

Invoices:

L. Evans motioned and J. Wade seconded to approve 1 invoice totaling \$4,560.00 for Office space to Fremont County. All ayes.

Funds Transfer:

Manager Berry discussed 5 transfers totaling \$95,000.00 to cover costs incurred from March 13th, 2025 to July 17th, 2025, from HCB MMDA to HCB checking.

President Seifert declared the meeting adjourned at 2:16 pm.

Minutes approved on Oct. 16, 2025.

Stacey Seifert, President

James Wade, Secretary-Treasurer