

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF UTE PASS REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT HELD

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ute Pass Regional Health Service District was held at 1017 US-24 #2138, Woodland Park CO 80863, and via Zoom on Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Directors in Attendance Were:

John Gentzel
Chris Erickson
Gillis Gautreaux
Jocelyn Rosado
Miranda Bickford

Also in Attendance:

Tim Dienst, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
James McLaughlin, Mobile Integrated Health Director (MIH)
Janeé Karle, Deputy Chief of Operations
Kara Fox, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
Austin Thomas, JFS
Kara Winters of Collins Cole Winn & Ulmer ("CCWU")

DISCLOSURES

Director Gautreaux disclosed that family members work for the district; Director Gentzel disclosed that his son works for the district; Director Bickford disclosed that her husband works for the district.

PLEDGE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

Director Bickford moved to approve the July 16, 2026 regular Board meeting minutes. Such motion was seconded by Director Rosado and unanimously approved by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Austin Thomas of JFS reviewed the July financials.

Director Gautreaux moved to approve the July financials. Such motion was seconded by Director Erickson and unanimously approved by the Board.

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BOARD REPORTS

President's Report. No report.

Policy Committee Report. No report.

Chief/CEO Search Committee. Director Bickford reported that there were eleven applicants, seven interviews, and the CEO Search Committee came down to three candidates. One candidate withdrew their application. Director Bickford announced the finalist CEO candidates are Robert Good and Jordan Kennedy.

There was discussion about each Board member's interview question and each Board member referred to the question they will ask the CEO candidates during the interviews.

Director Bickford moved to interview finalists Robert Good and Jordan Good. Such motion was seconded by Director Erickson and unanimously approved by the Board.

MIH Director McLaughlin thanked everyone involved in the CEO search committee process, especially Director Bickford and Kara Winters. MIH Director described the day at the District which was scheduled for October 6 with interviews scheduled for October 7 and said that the stakeholder feedback from the day at the District will be gathered by Kara Winters and provided to the Board. The Board concurred with the proposed schedule for the day at the District and recommended MIH Director McLaughlin and Chief Dienst travel with the applicants. Winters said the day at the District can be noticed so that the Board can attend.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Chief/CEO Report. There was discussion about when the District is at level zero and mutual aid is used. Chief Dienst asked if the Board wants to do an inclusion election to include Green Mountain Falls in the District and said that staff can do some research to determine if the Green Mountain Falls property tax and sales tax revenues would cover the services that would need to be provided. Deputy Chief Karle said that with the El Paso Teller 911 Authority going away there has been discussion at the Chief's meeting and Teller County Board meeting about how dispatch services will work. Director Gautreaux asked if there was a timeline for when the Authority will be dissolved. Chief Dienst said there is not a timeline at this point.

Deputy Chief Operations Report. Deputy Chief Karle reported that the District upstaffed for a motorcycle ride within the community. Director Gautreaux said that he appreciates staff attending community events, such as community football games. There was discussion about the leadership academy and that it was canceled. Deputy Chief Karle said that items from the academy have been implemented in the staff processes.

Paid Time Off Policy (PTO). Chief Fox reported that policy is still in the works, and the next meeting is scheduled for September 23. Director Gentzel asked if it goes to the full Board or to the Policy Committee. Chief Fox said that it can be ready for Board approval by November.

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Mobile Integrated Health Report. MIH Director McLaughlin asked if the Board wants separate reports from the Deputy Chief and MIH Director. Deputy Chief Karle and the Board concurred that they prefer separate reports. MIH Director McLaughlin said that they are moving forward in the RHTP process and the District is not committed to matching any funds at this time. Chief Dienst said he will present the budget without the RHTP included and if it is awarded the budget will be revised. MIH Director McLaughlin reported the Community Integrated Health Care Services (CIHCS) license has been revised to change address on the application from the PO Box to the physical address. Director Gautreaux asked about the officer involved shooting response and if the District has made themselves available to the people involved. MIH Director McLaughlin said that the District staff has reached out to all involved and said they were here to support them with the peer support program.

Chief Administrative Report. No questions or comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Schedule Special Board Meeting for CEO Interviews. Director Gentzel moved to hold special Board meeting for CEO interviews on October 7 from 9-12:30. Such motion was seconded by Director Bickford and unanimously approved by the Board.

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Gentzel adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

These minutes were properly moved, seconded, and approved by the Board of Directors of the Ute Pass Regional Health Service District during a duly noticed public meeting.

/s/ Miranda Bickford

Miranda Bickford, Secretary

/s/ John Gentzel

John Gentzel, President



