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Department of Human Services

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> March 25, 2025 2025 MEETING #3

The Fremont County Board of Human Services (BOHS) met in Regular Session Tuesday, March 25th, 2025 in Conference Room 208 at the Fremont County Administration Building, 615 Macon, Cañon City, Colorado. Chairman McFall called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Those present included:

Dwayne McFallChairmanPresentKevin GranthamChairman Pro TemPresentDebbie BellTreasurerPresent

Also present: Eric Bellas, Fremont County Attorney, Tony Carochi, Fremont County Administrator, Barry Acton, Director, Department of Human Services (DHS), Amanda Wright, DHS, Janean Wheeler, DHS Finance Administrator.

MINUTES: Board Member Grantham moved, duly seconded by Board Member McFall, to accept the minutes of the February 25th, 2025 meeting. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell abstained from voting because she was not present for the February 25, 2025 meeting; Board Member Grantham, aye; The motion carried.

AGENDA: There was a request to have the Executive Session at the end of the meeting, thus reversing items A & B will be reversed. No other additions or corrections were made to the agenda. Board Member Bell moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham to approve the March 25th, 2025 meeting agenda. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL/CASELOAD REPORT: Director Barry Acton discussed the caseload counts and summary budget reports. He reported that LEAP had a large payout in February. Director Acton also reported that Child Care was down this month due to the ongoing issues with the lack of providers. Commissioner Bell requested a comparative analysis of Fremont County's child care provider landscape against other counties. Director Acton will provide a report detailing the comparison at the next meeting. After further discussion, Board Member Grantham moved, duly seconded by Board Member Bell to accept the February 2025 financial and caseload reports. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

<u>DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u> Director Barry Acton shared a written report regarding the current open staff positions, a summary of the community partners he met with, and events that were attended during the month. After a full discussion, Board Member Bell moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham to accept the monthly report. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Acton discussed April being Child Abuse Prevention Month and that the Proclamation was presented this morning at the Board of County Commissioner's meeting. DHS will be hosting the annual "Living Blue Ribbon" Picture on April 2nd at 1pm.

The mission of the Fremont County Department of Human Services is to provide support and essential services to enrich the quality of life for members of our community.

Board Member Grantham moved, duly seconded by Board Member Bell to adjourn this meeting and convene a recorded Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter as authorized by 24-6-402 (4)(f) of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

With there being no other business to discuss at the conclusion of the recorded executive session, the meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

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STATE OF COLORADO COUNTY OF FREMONT

AUTHORIZATIONS AND PAYMENTS MADE BY FREMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSACTIONS FOR March 2025 **1,790,200.69**

WARRANTS ISSU	JED March 19, 2025 - April 17, 2025
03/19/25	3,948.65
03/20/25	-75.00
03/27/25	487,700.85
04/02/25	25,806.36
04/03/25	4,978.00
04/11/25	332,772.41
04/17/25	13,150.32
Total	868 281 59

I, Tony Carochi, Acting Director of the Department of Human Services, of Fremont County, Colorado, hereby certify that the payments as set forth herein as of this date have been approved and authorized to be issued through the EBT system or warrant.

Tony Carochi, Director

We the undersigned Fremont County Board of Commissioners acting in the capacity of Fremont County Board of Human Services do hereby certify the above EBT authorizations and ratify the warrants issued, having been properly certified by the Director of Fremont County Department of Human Services according to law, are approved for payment. Done this 29th day of April 2025.

Commissioner Bell

Commissioner McFall

Commissioner Grantham