

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

LOGAN COUNTY BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES

July 9, 2025

Logan County Commissioner Chairman Mike Brownell called the Board meeting to order at 9:26 a.m. at the Logan County Central Services building with Logan County Commissioner Jim C. Santomaso, Logan County Human Services' Director David Long, and Logan County Human Services' Recording Secretary Peggy Kircher, present.

Minutes from the Board of Human Services meeting held on June 11, 2025 were presented. Commissioner Jim C. Santomaso moved to approve the Board meeting minutes as written. Chairman Brownell seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Director Long presented the Commissioners with the Expenditure Summary report dated June 30, 2025, the May, 2025 Summary Allocation Tracking report, and the TANF Reserve Balances report dated May SFY 2024/2025. Director Long gave the Board detailed financial information regarding all of the reports.

Director Long gave staffing updates. Lora Pena was hired to fill one of the vacant caseworker positions. She started working at Logan County DHS on June 30th. There is still one vacant caseworker position that the department would like to fill.

Director Long gave the Commissioners the briefing highlights.

Director Long said that there have been some very interesting child welfare referrals.

Director Long gave the Board information regarding HBB, One Big Beautiful Act, and its impacts. He said that there will be two more reconciliation bills that will be going into this session. The federal government has always given the states 50 percent of the administrative dollars to run the Supplemental Nutritional Program but next year in October, they will only give 25 percent which leaves the counties to pay 75 percent of the administrative dollars. This equates to about 50 million dollars that the State will have to carve out. Logan County has a master report to keep track of how many clients are receiving SNAP assistance and there were 2747 clients receiving this assistance in Logan County in June, 2025. Thirteen years ago, there was under 2000 clients receiving this assistance. Director Long predicts that this number will go down because more clients will be required to work. The workforce case management position will probably have to be filled due to the increased work load in the Colorado Works Self Sufficiency unit. There will be less money for administrative dollars and there will be tiers regarding State error rates. The percentage of SNAP errors will reflect the amount of federal dollars that Colorado will receive.

The Board discussed the lack of services available at the Sterling Workforce Center.

Director Long said that there are caseworkers driving all over the State for child welfare business and it can be a problem when there are mechanical issues with the department vehicles while they are away from the local area. He inquired about the department being able to have some form of roadside assistance available when there are problems with the vehicles so that staff and clients stay safe. The Commissioners were open to having the department research options for road side assistance.

The next Logan County Board of Human Services meeting will be held on August 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at the Logan County Central Services building. This meeting is scheduled one day early due to scheduling conflicts on Wednesday, August 13th.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by:

Mike Brownell, Chairman
Logan County Commissioner

David E. Long, Director

James T. Yahn, Logan County Commissioner

Jim C. Santomaso, Logan County Commissioner