

**RESOLUTION No. 2013-008**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO  
RE: PRE-AUTHORIZATION OF A FINANCIAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT  
FOR USE IN EMERGENCY AND DISASTER SITUATIONS THAT  
MAY REQUIRE EXTRAORDINARY RESOURCES**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-11-107(2)(a) "Powers of the Board" the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") has exclusive power to adopt the annual budget for the operation of the county government; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution 2007-076, Ouray County Budget Policy, reserves have been established in the General Fund, Road and Bridge Fund, and EMS Fund to cover the costs associated with emergency situations that may arise and that may affect a specific fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has adopted an Emergency Preparedness Plan and has provided a means for declaring a disaster or emergency in Ouray County in Resolution 2012-033; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of Resolution 2012-033 permits the Board to allocate emergency funds when costs of a disaster exceed authorized emergency response budgets; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ouray County Sheriff ("Sheriff") has specific duties and responsibilities for Incident Command in the Emergency Preparedness Plan, and as set forth in the Colorado Revised Statutes, Title 30, Article 10, Part 5, which duties include acting as the fire warden and coordinating fire suppression efforts for forest, prairie or wildland fires; and

**WHEREAS**, during the course of performing the duties of Sheriff as head of Incident Command or as fire warden there may be instances in which the Sheriff determines that an immediate emergency exists that requires immediate action by the Sheriff to procure resources to attempt to mitigate or avert the emergency or disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes that it is within the intent of Resolution 2012-033 to prepare resources and procedures necessary to protect the citizens and visitors of Ouray County during disasters and emergencies, and to pre-authorize the Sheriff to expend funds not to exceed \$25,000 annually to be utilized as directed by the Sheriff in emergency and disaster situations.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:**

1. During an emergency of disaster situation in which the Sheriff exercises the emergency spending authority as described herein, the Sheriff shall notify the Ouray County Administrator at the earliest opportunity of any emergency expenditure, and shall provide documentation supporting the expenditures as soon as possible thereafter and in any event within 48 hours.
2. The County Administrator shall advise the Board as soon as possible after notification by the Sheriff of the emergency expenditure and shall determine whether such expenditure acquisition shall be placed on the next available Board agenda for advisement purposes and ratification when necessary.
3. This emergency spending authority is limited to those emergencies or disasters that have been declared as such pursuant to Resolution 2012-033 and consistent with the Emergency Preparedness Plan.
4. The pre-authorized emergency expenditures shall not exceed \$25,000.00 without further Board authorization and approval.

5. This resolution shall be included in the Emergency Preparedness Plan and shall be reviewed periodically to determine its effectiveness as part of the emergency response procedures.

Adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013.

Voting for: Commissioners Fedel, Padgett and Batchelder  
Voting against: None



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF OURAY COUNTY, COLORADO

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F. Mike Fedel, Chair

Handwritten signature of Lynn M. Padgett in black ink.

Lynn M. Padgett, Vice-Chair

Handwritten signature of Don Batchelder in black ink.

Don Batchelder, Commissioner

Handwritten signature of Michelle Nauer in black ink.

Michelle Nauer, Clerk and Recorder

By: Linda Munson-Haley, Deputy Clerk of the Board