



**ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO**  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**  
Regular Meeting Held in the BOCC Meeting Room  
May 10, 2023 at 9:00 AM

**A. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: PASTOR JONATHAN DARNELL**

Pastor Jonathan Darnell provided the invocation and Commissioner Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called to order at 9:02 AM. Deputy Clerk Amanda Moore called the roll and all commissioners were present.

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: Approval of Agenda as presented with the addition of Item H4 to include the Supplemental Appropriation to the 2022 Budget

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Approve the Agenda as presented with the addition of Item H4 to include the Supplemental Appropriation to the 2022 Budget. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion: Approval of Consent Agenda as presented

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

1. Approval of CDS Mylars as needed
2. Approval of Vouchers as needed
3. Acknowledgement of CDS Pipeline Report
4. Liquor License Renewal for HI-TEST Liquor LTD
5. Liquor License Renewal - The Naked Goat



## **E. ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF REPORTS**

County Assessor Susan Murphy wanted to highlight that notices of valuations were sent out and she provided a timeline for appeals.

Commissioner Richardson provided a brief summary of the bills that were passed and considered during this year's legislation session.

## **F. CITIZEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

Don Gray, 16000 Hwy 86, Kiowa. Mr. Gray stated that Xcel has been approaching property owners and offering money for their property. Mr. Gray stated that trespassing is still happening and Xcel is moving forward with their preferred route.

Gary Austin, 31820 Pvt Rd 57, Kiowa. Mr. Austin stated that Xcel offered him \$500.00 to have a survey and archeological study completed because they are requesting a 150 foot easement. Mr. Austin objects to the Xcel power line and feels it will destroy his property and lifestyle.

Community and Economic Development Director Marc Dettenrieder explained that there has not been a pre-application meeting yet, but there was a meeting regarding the 1041 pre-determination.

## **G. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. Proclamation recognizing Economic Development Week - Marc Dettenrieder**

Community and Economic Development Director Marc Dettenrieder explained the role and goals of the economic development department.

Operations Manager for Burnco, Bob Haun explained that the company saw the need for a concrete batch plant in this area and that is why they chose Elbert County. Mr. Haun explained that they will have a total of 10 employees and are looking for more local drivers. Mr. Haun stated that they are excited to service the area.

Tammi Schneider of the Elbert County Fair Board provided information on the upcoming fair schedule. Ms. Schneider stated that it continues to be a free event thanks to the sponsors, businesses & County support.

Mr. Dettenrieder read the proclamation.

Motion: To Adopt the Proclamation recognizing Economic Development Week

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Adopt the Proclamation recognizing Economic Development Week. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None



## H. ACTION ITEMS

### 1. Consideration of April 26, 2023 Minutes

Motion: Approval of April 26, 2023 Minutes

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Approve the Minutes as presented. Commissioner Chris Richardson seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No – None

### 2. Public Hearing - Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit - Amanda Moore

Motion: To Open a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to open a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Public Hearing Opened at 9:52 AM

Deputy Clerk Amanda Moore presented the application for Special Event Permit to allow for the sale of alcohol at the Elizabeth Stampede event. This is an annual event and no changes were noted. Staff recommends approval.

Public Comment: None

Motion: To Approve the Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to Approve the Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Motion: To Close a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to close a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Rodeo Association Special Event Permit. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Public Hearing Closed at 9:53 AM



**3. Public Hearing - Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit - Amanda Moore**

Motion: To Open a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to open a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Public Hearing Opened at 9:54 AM

Deputy Clerk Amanda Moore presented the application for Special Event Permit to allow for the sale of alcohol at the Casino Night event. This is an annual event, but the first time it will be located at Once Upon a Time Events. Staff recommends approval.

Public Comment: None

Motion: To Approve the Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Approve the Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Motion: To Close a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to close a Public Hearing for the Elizabeth Area Chamber Special Event Permit. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Public Hearing Closed at 9:55 AM

**4. Consideration of the Resolution for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget**

Motion: To Open a Public Hearing for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to open a Public Hearing for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Public Hearing Opened at 9:56 AM



Finance Manager Tiffany Hermes presented the resolution and explained the proposed appropriations to the 2022 budget. Ms. Hermes explained that the expenditures for 2022 were under budget and this does not affect the fund balance.

Public Comment: None

Motion: To Approve the Resolution for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to Approve the Resolution for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder  
No - None

Motion: To Close a Public Hearing for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget

Commissioner Dallas Schroeder made a motion to close a Public Hearing for the Supplemental Appropriation of the 2022 Budget. Commissioner Grant Thayer seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder  
No - None

Public Hearing Closes at 9:59 AM

## **I. BOARD PLANNING**

### **1. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- a. Continued Public Hearing for the Patch in Elizabeth
- b. Multi Family
- c. PW Facility Update

Commissioner Richardson called a recess at 10:01 AM to return at 1:00 PM for the Land Use Hearing.

## **J. LAND USE HEARINGS 1:00 P.M.**

The Land Use meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM. Deputy Clerk Amanda Moore called the roll and all commissioners were present.

### **1. Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch Special Use by Review (case SU-19-0089)**

Motion: To Open a Public Hearing for Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch Special Use by Review SU-19-0089

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to open a Public Hearing for Prairie Ridge Buffalo Special Use by Review SU-19-0089 . Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder  
No - None

Public Hearing Opened at 1:01 PM

Land Use Planner Laura Santos-Granja presented the application to request a Special Use by Review for Agritourism on an agricultural zoned parcel. Ms. Santos-Granja stated that the applicant plans on operating more than 60 days per year and will include Buffalo Tours, Buffalo Harvests and Special Events. Ms. Santos-Granja went over the review process, requirements and the well for commercial use. Staff recommends approval of the application with the conditions listed.

Commissioner Schroeder asked how the final number of occupants was decided.

Applicant Ray Thieman stated that they came up with the number of occupants based on what they felt they could handle. Mr. Thieman added that he has received a lot of interest in his ranch from local citizens.

Public Comment: None

Motion: To Approve the Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch Special Use by Review SU-19-0089

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Approve the Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch Special Use by Review SU-19-0089 with the conditions listed. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Motion: To Close a Public Hearing for Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch Special Use by Review SU-19-0089

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to close a Public Hearing for Prairie Ridge Buffalo Special Use by Review SU-19-0089 . Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

Public Hearing Closed at 1:19 PM

#### **K. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: To Adjourn

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Dallas Schroeder seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer, Dallas Schroeder

No - None

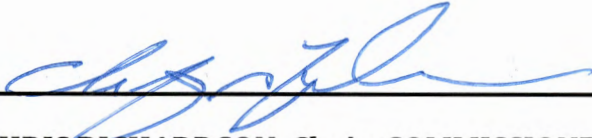
The meeting Adjourned at 1:19 PM

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**ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO**



**CHRIS RICHARDSON, Chair, COMMISSIONER District 1**



**DALLAS SCHROEDER, COMMISSIONER District 2**



**GRANT THAYER, Vice-Chair, COMMISSIONER District 3**

**ATTEST: Amanda Moore**

**Deputy Clerk**

**BY:** 

**Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners**

