



ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting Held in the BOCC Meeting Room
August 28, 2024 at 9:00 AM

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Rhonda Braun Recorder, Elbert County, Co



A. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pastor Bill Anderson provided the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was called at 9:02 AM. Commissioner Richardson and Commissioner Thayer were present. Commissioner Schroeder was absent.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approval of Agenda as presented.

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

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No - None

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Approval of Consent Agenda as presented

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

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No - None

1. Approval of CDS Mylars as needed
2. Approval of Vouchers as needed
3. Acknowledgment of Receipt of Variance Reports
4. Approval of Letter of Support for the Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative
5. Approval of The Patch in Elizabeth Liquor License Renewal



E. ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF REPORTS

County Clerk Rhonda Braun introduced a few new employees that are joining the Samuel Elbert Building. Corey Johnston - Chief Deputy Clerk, Chris Roman -Deputy of Elections and Greg Tolbert - Elections Specialist. Ms. Braun thanked County Manager Shawn Fletcher for his assistance in finding great candidates to help the county grow and is excited for the future. Ms. Braun also thanked the Commissioners for their assistance while she was absent for the last meeting when discussions were going on about Clear Ballot. Ms. Braun also thanked the Elizabeth Fire Department and Road and Bridge for the amazing work assisting with the drop box. Ms. Braun also thanked Mr. Fletcher again for assisting in getting I.T. back in house and thanked I.T. for getting the newest employees set up so quickly and efficiently. Finally, Ms. Braun said thank you to Sherry Davis from Douglas County for her help with the data entry needed for the Elbert County Elections department.

F. CITIZEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Gray - 16000 Hwy 86 - Mr. Gray inquired about an new updates from Xcel. Mr. Gray stated that El Paso County finally received the application last week from Xcel. Mr. Gray said Xcel will be soon knocking on our doors.

Commissioner Richardson said they had not heard any new information. Mr. Richardson said if Xcel does, then the County has 28 days to review the application, but it appears they may wait until the 4th quarter to submit it to the County.

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion on Approval of Spring Valley Ranch Filing 10 SIA

County Attorney Bart Greer spoke about the approval of Spring Valley Ranch Filing 10 SIA and stated that it is a straight forward filing.

Commissioner Thayer asked if there is any action needed by the board?

Attorney Greer said no, just the approval needed by the board.

Applicant Jim Marshall spoke about the language in the filing that was a little problematic, but it's being addressed.

Commissioner Richardson asked if there was a sense of urgency to get this filing done.

Mr. Marshall stated no, but he would like to get the filing closed with the builders.

Attorney Greer suggested to Mr. Marshall to include Filings 8 and 9 with Filing 10.

Motion: To Move to Action and Approve Spring Valley Ranch Filing 8, 9 and 10 SIA

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to move to Action and Approve Spring Valley Ranch Filing 8, 9 and 10 SIA. Commissioner Chris Richardson seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No - None

2. **Discussion on Consideration of Approval of Contract with Clear Ballot for Election Voting System**
County Attorney Bart Greer reviewed the contract with Clear Ballot for Election Voting System. Mr. Greer said he would like further review of some items within the contract and that it's not quite ready to be approved. Mr. Greer stated it would be safe to put to Action Items at the first meeting in September.

3. **Discussion on Consideration of County Road 150 Quit Claim Deed**

County Attorney Bart Greer presented a request to approve a Quit Claim Deed for an abandoned roadway portion of County Road 150 to the residents. County Road 150 was a county road and not maintained very much and there was some expressed interest in using that road as a private road.

H. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Consideration of August 14, 2024 Minutes**

Commissioner Richardson requested that the approval of the August 14, 2024 Minutes be moved to the next meeting as Mr. Richardson recused himself from land use last week and Commissioner Schroeder was absent today. Commissioner Thayer agreed.

2. **Consideration of Approval of Draft Ballot Language for Extending Term Limits for the Assessor, Clerk, Surveyor and Treasurer**

Motion: Approve the Draft Ballot Language for Extending Term Limits for the Assessor, Clerk, Surveyor and Treasurer as a Resolution.

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Approve the Draft Ballot Language for Extending Term Limits for the Assessor, Clerk, Surveyor and Treasurer as Resolution. Commissioner Chris Richardson seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No - None

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3. **Approval of a Resolution Certifying Costs of Prosecuting Crimes**

Motion: Approval of a Resolution Certifying Costs of Prosecuting Crimes.

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Approve a Resolution Certifying Costs of Prosecuting Crimes. Commissioner Chris Richardson seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No - None

I. BOARD PLANNING

1. **Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- A) Audit results from the Finance Department
- B) Consideration of Approval of Contract with Clear Ballot for Election Voting System
- C) Consideration of August 14, 2024 Minutes
- D) Consideration of County Road 150 Quit Claim Deed



J. LAND USE HEARINGS 1:00 P.M. - NO LAND USE HEARINGS SCHEDULED

K. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To Adjourn

Commissioner Grant Thayer made a motion to Adjourn. Commissioner Chris Richardson seconded the motion.

Yes - Chris Richardson, Grant Thayer

No - None

The meeting Adjourned at 9:30 AM



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO

CHRIS RICHARDSON, Chair, COMMISSIONER District 1

Abstained

DALLAS SCHROEDER, Vice-Chair, COMMISSIONER District 2

GRANT THAYER, COMMISSIONER District 3

ATTEST: Emily Backhus-Irwin

Deputy Clerk

BY:

Deputy Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners