



ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO

The Board of Elbert County Commissioners (BOCC) met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, October 22, 2014 with roll call of members as follows:

Robert Rowland- PRESENT

Kurt C. Schlegel- ABSENT

Larry D. Ross- PRESENT

The BOCC convened at 9:02 a.m., in the Fairgrounds Exhibit Building,

Vice Chairman Robert Rowland called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer given by Pastor Jim Emig of Kiowa Creek Community Church

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1. Agenda:

- a.** Commissioner Ross moved that the BOCC pull item a. from New Business (Engagement Letter with Eide Bailey) until next meeting and item a. from Land Use (Direct Link Wireless Internet Tower Request for Special Review) until next meeting.

Commissioner Rowland seconded.

Ed Ehmann (County Manager) explained that item a. pulled from New Business (Engagement Letter with Eide Bailey) was postponed due to a request for clarification of some terms.

Kyle Fenner (Director of Community and Development Services) explained their item (Direct Link Wireless Internet Tower request for Special Use review) was being withdrawn as there are application concerns that need to be corrected.

Commissioner Ross made a motion to withdraw the previous motion.

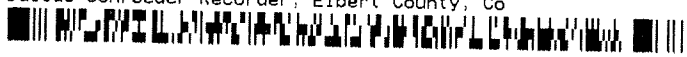
Commissioner Rowland seconded. Both Commissioners voted AYE.

Motion passed.

Commissioner Ross moved that item a. from New Business (Engagement Letter with Eide Bailey) be postponed.

Commissioner Rowland seconded. Both Commissioners voted AYE.

Motion passed.



Commissioner Ross moved that item a. from Land Use (Request by Direct Link for Special Use review) be removed from today's agenda.

Commissioner Rowland seconded. Both Commissioners voted AYE.

Motion passed.

Commissioner Ross moved that the BOCC accept the Agenda as amended.

Commissioner Rowland seconded. Both Commissioners voted AYE.

Motion passed.

2. Correspondence: NONE

3. Consent Agenda: All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted by one (1) motion in the form below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired on any item(s) and permitted by the Board, those items will be considered separately.

a. Approval of minutes from Oct. 8, 2014.

Commissioner Ross moved that the BOCC approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Rowland seconded. Both Commissioners voted AYE.

Motion passed.

4. Awards/Recognition: NONE

5. Elected Official/Department Heads/Staff Report: The Elected Officials, Department Heads and Staff Report comments is a time when any elected official or department head may bring forth items of interest or concern.

a. Ed Ehmann (County Manager) gave updates on:

1. The proposed budget was submitted to the BOCC on Oct. 14, 2014 and the Notice will be published tomorrow (10-23-2014). The official Public Hearing will be on Wed. Nov. 12, 2014 in the Fairgrounds Exhibit Bldg. and then adoption of the budget will be on Wed. Dec. 10, 2014, meeting all statutory deadlines.

2. CR 29 construction is approximately 2 weeks behind due to weather delays, but Mr. Ehmann speculated that if we had continued good weather, we should be able to remain on schedule.



3. Earlier this week, Elbert County did a mock blizzard exercise and they were able to utilize the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). During the exercise, approximately 30 wireless devices were used at once which crashed the County-wide server. It was an unplanned addition to the blizzard scenario and was interesting to see how Staff handled the added inconvenience. The equipment is over 10 years old and has been patched numerous times. It was established that the equipment will not be able to handle this type of event without an upgrade and this is being looked into.

Commissioner Ross stated he was very impressed with the exercise and to have had a coincidental I. T. failure at the same time highlights the importance in having redundancy in backup.

Commissioner Rowland commented that as he was observing this exercise he also was very impressed, stating the scenario was very realistic but feels comforted that Elbert County has so many people who are adequately equipped to handle situations such as this one.

Commissioner Rowland also commented in regards to the crash of the server because of the load; it doesn't usually take 30 devices to crash our servers and the I.T. equipment is an item that has been discussed over the last 2 years in light of funding and possible grants in 2015. Given the limited resources at the County and our current financial situation and the \$3 million depreciation of our assets (of which the I.T. equipment is a part), it is a concern and we can expect to experience this kind of system failure and need to find creative ways to address this issue.

Ed Ehmann commented again on the failed I.T. equipment, stating the County is in its first year of a 3 year major component replacement plan, which tends to be fluid in nature as they continually re-visit the needs and the associated costs.

Commissioner Rowland confirmed the timeline of the Proposed County Budget, stating Notice of the Proposed Budget is being published tomorrow in the Elbert County News and once that is done, the proposed budget becomes available at the County Building for Public Review as per State Statute.

Ed Ehmann stated there will be almost 30 days from the Public Hearing, which will include public comment, until the day the budget is actually



adopted which will provide more flexibility for the taxpayers to review the budget and provide comments.

- 6. Public Comment:** The public comment period is a time when any citizen may bring forth items pertaining to County business. During this time each individual will have three minutes to present their view(s) on County matter(s). In the interest of time, please have your comments prepared for presentation as each person will be allowed one (1) opportunity to approach the podium. Please keep your comments to a three (3) minute maximum. No formal action will be taken on these items during this time due to open meeting provision; however, the items may be placed on a future posted Agenda if action is required. The public comment portion of the BOCC meeting is not to be used for political or campaign purposes; comments and questions should be limited to matters of current County affairs and business. When you approach the podium please identify yourself, spell your last name and give your address.

NONE

- 7. Old Business:** NONE

- 8. New Business:**

- a.** Item removed at beginning of BOCC Meeting.
- b.** Wade Gateley (County Attorney) requested that the BOCC approve the Resolution to appoint Ed Ehmann as the Elbert County Budget Officer, citing that Mr. Ehmann has been supervising Johanna Sanders (who was appointed Elbert County Budget Officer by Resolution 2013-39 in Oct. of 2013) and has been actively involved in preparing the 2015 Elbert County Budget. He further stated this Resolution appoints a Budget Officer and all prior Resolutions of the BOCC with respect to the appointment of the Elbert County Budget Officer are hereby superseded.

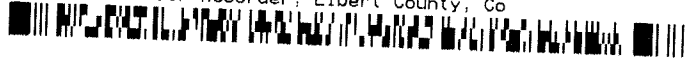
Commissioner Ross moved that the BOCC approve the Resolution to appoint County Manager Ed Ehmann as Budget Officer.

Commissioner Rowland seconded.

Commissioner Rowland asked Attorney Gateley if there are any defined duties of the Budget Officer.

Attorney Gateley replied no job description is given; it is more of a function as per statute; to prepare a budget and submit the same to the Board of County Commissioners.

Both Commissioners voted AYE. Motion passed.



2. All prior Resolutions of the Board of County Commissioners with respect to the appointment the Elbert County Budget Officer are hereby superseded.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of OCTOBER 2014.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:



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ROBERT ROWLAND, VICE- CHAIRMAN

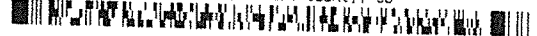
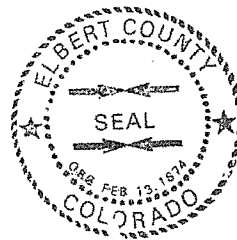


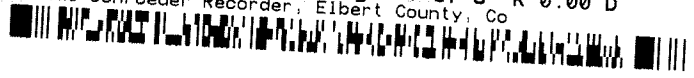
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LARRY ROSS, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: DALLAS SCHROEDER
COUNTY CLERK

BY: 

DEPUTY CLERK TO THE BOARD





9. Land Use:

- a. Item removed at beginning of BOCC Meeting.

10. Wade Gateley, Attorney to the Board of County Commissioners: NONE

Commissioner Ross moved that the BOCC meeting adjourn at 9:28 a.m.
Commissioner Rowland seconded. Both Commissioners voted AYE.
Motion passed.


Meeting Adjourned at 9:28 a.m.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO

Kurt C. Schlegel, Chairman (Absent)



Robert Rowland, Vice Chair

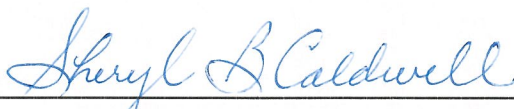


Larry D. Ross, Commissioner

ATTEST: Dallas Schroeder

County Clerk

BY:



Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners

