

# ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## MINUTES

*We welcome all of our visitors today, we appreciate your participation. If you need to have personal conversations if you would please step outside, we would appreciate it. Also if you have cell phones, we would ask that you put them on silent during today's meeting.*

### CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL:

Robert Rowland

Kelly Dore

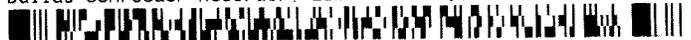
Larry D. Ross

With a quorum present I call to order this meeting of the Elbert County Board of County Commissioners, convening this 12th day of August, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

**INVOCATION:** Prayer given by Roger Miller, Pastor, Elbert Christian Church

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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**AGENDA:** Commissioner Dore moved to approve Agenda as presented. Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

ALL IN FAVOR

### CORRESPONDENCE:

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The consent agenda consists of matters that occur in the normal course of business between BOCC meetings. These items are summarized and available to citizens, and are approved and enacted at this time by the BOCC in one (1) motion.

- a. Vouchers/Warrants
- b. MOU with State of Colorado for Works Program and the Child Care Program
- c. Signal Behavioral Health Network Agreement for Substance Abuse Treatment Service for Welfare Clients
- d. Appointment of Robert Rowland to 2015 CCI Legislative Committee

Commissioner Dore moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

ALL IN FAVOR

### AWARDS & RECOGNITION:

**ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF REPORT(S):** This is the time when any county elected official, department head or employee may use the podium to report on any matter of interest to the citizens and the BOCC. This is an open format and does not require prior approval or disclosure of the subject matter to be discussed and therefore cannot be added to the agenda at this time, but may be added at a later time for follow up or consideration by the BOCC if appropriate.

Rick Pettitt, Elbert County Treasurer. Mr. Pettitt reported the county position as of June 30 in the General Fund to be +\$700000 more than last year. He also mentioned over \$10000 in NSF checks from the Clerk and Recorder's office.

Clerk Schroeder was asked by the Commissioner's to explain steps being taken to reduce the NSF checks, which he did.

Brandon Lenderink, Director OEM. Mr. Lenderink gave an update on the disaster declaration. FEMA has spent three days in the County, visiting 40 different sites. The next step is to account for the repairs that have been done. FEMA has project worksheets that must be completed. Debris removal will be occurring shortly and Elbert County has already had the first kick-off meeting.

Commissioners Rowland and Ross commented on the process and wanted to make sure Elbert County was ready for the matching funds requirement. Ed Ehmann, County Manager relayed that the proper reserves are in place for this program.

Jerri Spear, Director Health and Human Services. Ms. Spear introduced Bart Greer, the new attorney on staff, and explained this is a new way of doing business in the County. He is in the County to provide services, primarily for the HHS department, and is common for most mid-sized counties.

Wade Gateley, County Attorney. Mr. Gateley welcomed Mr. Greer and noted that Mr. Greer is to work primarily for HHS but will assist Mr. Gateley on special projects.

Mr. Greer expressed his pleasure in being hired by Elbert County.

Commissioner Rowland commented that this move will be more efficient and help everyone.

Mr. Ehmann thanked Mr. Gateley and Ms. Spear for coming up with the idea. It was well thought out plan for the benefit of Elbert County.

Commissioner Rowland related his work with some wounded warriors. He is looking for locations for 14 of these wounded service members to hunt does in unit 104.

Commissioner Rowland also related that he attended Kiowa Conservation Board Meeting. He was invited by Charlie Carnahan to discuss landowner/rancher/farmer and their Ag issues. They discussed water, the state water plan, landowner education, irrigation systems, water rights, erosion control and noxious weeds. Commissioner Rowland will pursue state water plan information and get back to the district.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT(s):** The public comment is a time when any citizen may bring forth items of interest or concern. During this time each individual will have three minutes to present view(s) on County matters(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. If you have comments on a regular Agenda item(s), please hold your comments until that item is up for consideration. The public comment portion of the BOCC meeting is not to be used for political or campaign purposes; comments/questions should be limited to matters of current County affairs and business. When you approach the podium please identify yourself and spell your last name and give your address.

Dave Peontek, 3943 Jo Circle. Mr. Peontek praised the commissioners for doing well financially and thanked them for a job well done.

Commissioner Rowland referred to Mr. Ehmann and the Staff for progress that has been made.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:** (Public comment may be provided for items as deemed appropriate)

- a. Report and requested approval of report from Public Trustee (Rick Pettit, Elbert County Treasurer)  
Mr. Pettitt shared his report on the on the first six months of 2015. Mr. Pettitt reported that foreclosures are down from 29 in 2014 to 17 in 2015.

Commissioner Ross moved to approve and accept the Elbert County Trustee quarterly report.

Commissioner Dore 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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- b. Resolution eliminating term limits for the office of Elbert County Sheriff and referring a ballot issues to the 2015 Coordinated Election

Commissioner Dore moved to approve Resolution TBD for the elimination of term limits for the office of Elbert County Sheriff and referring a ballot issue to the 2015 Coordinated Election. Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Public Comment

Chris Richardson, 9555 Harmony Ridge Circle, Elizabeth. Mr. Richardson reported that they had a petition of 1001 people who support the resolution. 75% of these signatures are hard copy and 25% were online.

Commissioner Ross reminded everyone of Fair Campaign Practices and urged employees and staff the public funds can't be used to promote or to go against ballot questions.

Mr. Gateley affirmed that public funds may not be expended to promote a certain ballot resolution.

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- c. Elbert County Complaint Policy

Commissioner Dore moved to accept the Elbert County Complaint Policy as presented.

Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Lengthy discussion with input from Commissioners Rowland, Ross and Dore, Sheriff Shayne Heap, Mr. Pettitt and Mr. Ehmann.

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- d. Request for Administrative Plat Amendment (Relabeling of tracts in Spring Valley Ranch Plat)  
Kyle Fenner, Director CDS, related this issue meets all the criteria to invoke the administrative plat process. This involved a land swap with Rattlesnake Fire.

Commissioner Dore moved to authorize the request for Administrative Plat Amendment.

Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

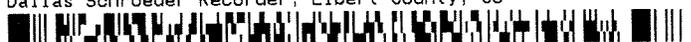
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**LAND USE:**

**ATTORNEY TO THE BOCC:**

10:36 Recess

11:00 Reconvene



Executive Session: Attorney/Client discussion regarding pending litigation

Commissioner Dore moved to enter Executive Session at 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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Exit Executive Session at 11:45.

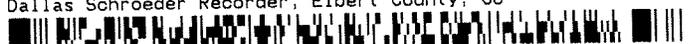
ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dore moved to adjourn at 11:46. Commissioner Ross 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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Work/Study Session (Following Regular Meeting)

1. Discussion regarding BOCC directives and interaction with staff and need for weekly staff meetings
2. Determination of amount of statutorily-authorized salary increase for county elected officials, commencing in 2017
3. Discussion of additional ballot questions/additional impact fees



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Robert Rowland, Chairman



Kelly Dore, Vice Chair



Larry D. Ross, Commissioner

**ATTEST: Dallas Schroeder**

**County Clerk**

**BY:**



**Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners**

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