ELBERT COUNTY, COLORADO

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting Held in the BOCC Meeting Room
September 12, 2018 at 9:30 A.M.

WE VALUE

- ***Honesty, integrity and respect for the rights of all individuals***
- ***Quality service to all***
- ***Respect for our culture and history***
- ***Clear communication and transparency***
- ***Efficiency & fiscal responsibility***
- ***Recognition of employee and citizen contributions***
- ***Partnerships and collaborations***
- ***Planning for the future***
- ***Cooperative leadership and professional development***

VISION: Elbert County is recognized by our citizens and employees as the best place to live, work, and conduct business in Colorado; led in a responsive, effective, transparent, and professional manner.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL 9:33 AM COMMISSIONER Thayer – Here, Commissioner Richardson – Here, Commissioner Willcox - Here

B. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pastor Roger Miller, Elbert Christian Church

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approval of Agenda

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson		x	
Thayer	x		
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

D. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of Vouchers/CDS Mylars as needed
2. Murphy Express Liquor License Renewal
3. Acknowledgement of CDS Pipeline Report
4. Elbert County Fire Station Rezone Resolution
5. Elbert County Hotline MOU

Motion: Approval of Consent Agenda

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

OUR MISSION: Provide essential statutory services and supportive infrastructure to our citizens in a professional, respectful, cost-effective manner while creating a working environment that supports their endeavors, western lifestyle and rights as individuals.

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E. ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF REPORTS

Sam Albrecht, County Manager

Mr. Albrecht briefed the Commissioners on several topics.

He relayed GIS project draft proposal will go out and RFP will be posted in a couple of weeks.

The Strategic plan has received comments from the internal staff and to be presented in early October.

Fee Schedule will have a work-study. This should be scheduled next week, and will involve CDS and HHS and Public Works.

The Communication Tower in Simla has been completed and it is up and running. ECCA and the School are pleased.

Commissioner Willcox commented on the positive relationship that ECCA and Road and Bridge have fostered.

F. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT (See Note 1)

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS: (See Note 2)

1. Fair Board Briefing (Tammi Schneider, Chair of Elbert County Fair Board)

Ms. Schnieder gave the report on the 2018 fair. She believes 2019 dates will follow the same pattern of 2018

Financials: Christy Strachan, Treasurer

The Fair had a budget of $39900 and spent $32000. The goal was to raise funds of 10k this year and in reality they raised nearly $21k. The extra was due to sponsorships. They are hoping to roll over the extra to next year.

There was a discussion of how to get a midway to show up. Liability insurance has become a major issue. No local lodging is a problem as well.

Ms. Schneider reported that all their events are free except for one event. Neighboring fairs are structured much differently. Due to everything being free, they do not track attendance. 4H entries are up and open class entries were steady. They did amp up kiddie corral because there were no carnival. Added Road grader rodeo. The horse pull venue was changed to put the spectators closer to the action. They honored Betty Hood for 50 years of working with the 4H.

Issues are few. The biggest concern was the condition of the arena. They had to move some events off site. She asked for some portable bleachers. Some other issues to work on are the campground and upgrades to the buildings. They received a lot of positive feedback.

She thanked Shawn and Stan and the rest of the EC employees who helped with the fair.

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Commissioner asked to what is wrong with the arena and was told it has to do with the quality of the material of the dirt.

There was an ongoing discussion on solutions to the arena.

Marlene Groves, 33300 Ridge Rd

Ms. Groves commented on the fair. She attended and she liked the El Paso fair using several buildings. She applauds the income and sponsorship was great. She thought there was some crossover on the promotions that touched on the political side.

Susan Schick, 4122 Downwest Ride

Ms. Schick expressed her thanks to the Fair Board. She thought that they do a great things with a little money. She also agreed with the idea of getting more bleachers. She wanted to see the budget for the fair beefed up.

Ric Morgan, 5433 CR 82

Mr. Morgan, the County Veterans Officer.

Mr. Morgan explained his appreciation of what has been done with fair. He thanked the County for allowing him to have a booth at the fair and that it has been a great benefit to the veteranss to have their benefits explained. He said they had no presence this year. He felt this needs to be continued be a presence and hopes they can find a solution for next year.

2. Update on 2019 Budget Development (Sam Albrecht, County Manager)

Mr. Albrecht said they are well under way for the 2019 budget. He is now working on one on one meetings. It is a little bit behind schedule but confident the budget will be ready in early October to present to the public.

Commissioner Richardson reminded of some of the requests the Commissioners had about the budget at the first part of the year.

3. Update on Pedal the Plains (Sam Albrecht, County Manager)

Mr. Albrecht stated the sponsor dinner is Thursday. The governor will be here on Friday for the kick-off. Friday at 9 AM will be the opening ceremony and the waves will depart from there. He shared the routes that will be taken. They will return to Kiowa on Sunday. There was an ongoing discussion on the collaboration with the State and other local governments about what worked and what did not.

4. Update on Status of Employee Evaluations (Dianna Hiatt, Benefits Coordinator)

Ms. Hiatt shared that this is response to Rubin Brown that the Employee Evaluations be kept up to date. They used to be done in December. They are now done on the employee's anniversary date. Currently 70% are up to date on employees. These dates are getting placed into the system so the dates can be tracked. She wants to update the evaluation form and expects to be able to collaborate with Elected Officials and Department Heads to make these changes. There was an ongoing discussion with Ms. Hiatt, the commissioners and ideas and suggestions moving forward.

Susan Schick 4122 Downwest Ride

Ms. Schick asked if the CBOE met, she asked if the Commissioners had training on performing that function. She also asked if they can help the Assessor's office to get the training that they need.

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5. CivicPlus Update (Dallas Schroeder, Clerk & Recorder)

Mr. Schroeder gave a status update on the Civic Plus system and relayed where the project is and what the plans are in the future for training and implementation.

Mr Albrecht introduced Eric Larson as the new military liason fellowship and he will be here through the end of December.

Mr. Larson gave a background of his service 22+ years and talked about the transition program. This is to transition from the military to the civilian side. He explained why local government is attractive to retiring military personnel.

H. ACTION ITEMS: (See Note 3)

1. Approval of August 22, 2018 Minutes

Motion: Approval of August 22, 2018 Minutes

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson		x	
Thayer	x		
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

I. BOARD PLANNING

1. Agenda Items for Next Meeting (September 26, 2018)
   a. Approval of Minutes from 9/12/18
2. Workshops/Study Sessions
   a. County Website Study Session, date TBD
3. Pending Hearings

Recess declared at 10:35 AM

Back in Session at 1:04 PM

J. LAND USE HEARINGS 1:00 P.M. (See Note 4)

1. 44 Delbert

Motion: RE-open Hearing on 44 Delbert

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		

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Thayer	x	
Willcox	x	

Vince Hariris, Baseline, representing CDS

Continuance requested to October 24. They are waiting on documents from the applicant so the Planning Commission can have some of their concerns addressed.

Motion: Continue on Delbert 44 to October 24, 2018 at 1:00 pm.

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	xx		
Willcox	x		

2. Double Beam Hay SUR

Motion: Open Hearing for Double Beam Hay SUR

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

Christine Stanton, CDS Director, gave the staff summary. After the summary, Ms. Stanton stated that both staff and Planning commission recommend approval, with conditions. Ms. Stanton outlined the conditions of approval.

Commissioner Willcox asked what the concerns of the planning commission were.

Ms. Stanton responded that dust and traffic were the biggest concerns.

Applicant Presentation:

Melissa Beam. Ms. Beam thanked everyone for their time and effort. She thanked her neighbors and thanked them for their comments. They are a LLC. She does not think they will be there for

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more than a year or two. They would like to move to a better commercial location. She commented that they were talking with their delivery drivers to come in through CR 158.

Public Comment

Mary Hall High Country Trail

Ms. Hall showed that there was no outlet. She stated there are many trucks and that this is negatively effecting the roads. She said the amount of traffic drives people crazy.

Elizabeth Valery, Creekside Cir in Bennett

Ms. Valery spoke in favor of the applicant and spoke to the applicants are good people. She said they provide good, high-quality hay to herself and many others. She has not seen an issue in riding horses

David Berg, with Cowboy Up

Mr. Berg stated that the applicant is a great supporter of Cowboy Up. He relayed a story that he saw Mr Beam telling a person to quit ripping up the road. Mr. Beam is concerned about the community.

Scott Hall, High Country Trail

Mr. Hall said there were some things were not true. He said the supporters have nothing to do with the roads and that he had seen the Beams driving too fast. He said the most important thing was their roads. He says it had been a long time since the county had been on the road.

Commissioner Thayer asked about the status of the Kramer business.

Ms. Beam responded to the allegations of the sign being put in poor place to see from the road.

Commissioner Thayer stated this should put other gypsy businesses on notice that they need to do things the right way.

The applicant is agreeable to adding a 2 year condition of approval

Motion: approve the SUR with Double Bema with the conditions of approval.

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson		x	
Thayer	x		
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

Motion: Close hearing on Double Beam

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson			
Thayer		x	

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Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

3. Mary Slade (14018 St. Hwy 86, Kiowa) RZ

Motion: Open Slade rezone

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

Vince Harris, CDS and Baseline

Mr. Harris gave a reminder on the XX and NZ zoning. That is what gets us to this process.

There was an ongong discussion on how to correct the problems with the XX and NZ zoning.

Jessica Stonberg presented the staff summary. This is to move a 5 acre parcel that has XX zoning. The Planning Commission recommend approval with conditions.

Motion: Approve Slade rezone

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

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Motion: Close Publc Hearing and adjourn at 1:59.

	Moved	2nd	Comments
Richardson	x		
Thayer		x	
Willcox			
	AYE	NAY	
Richardson	x		
Thayer	x		
Willcox	x		

ADJOURNMENT

NOTES ON PUBLIC COMMENT:

Note 1: General Public Comment - *This portion of the agenda is reserved for citizens who wish to comment to the BOCC on items of county interest that are not scheduled for Discussion or Action. This time will not be used to make political speeches nor will personal attacks be tolerated. Individuals will be limited to one opportunity to speak for a period of up to three minutes during this portion of the agenda.*

Note 2: Discussion Items - *This portion of the agenda is intended to introduce items that may require future board action. It allows for shaping of final decisions, and allows for public input to ensure all aspects of the issue are fully considered before decisions are made. After each item, the chair will offer time for public comment limited to three minutes per person.*

Note 3: Action Items - *This portion of the agenda is intended for items requiring a board decision. Prior to taking action, the chair will offer time for any final public input, limited to three minutes per person, prior to a vote.*

Note 4: Land Use Hearings - *Hearings for Land Use Items will be held at 1:00pm on meeting days. If all other agenda items are completed earlier, the chair will recess until this scheduled time. If previous agenda items are not complete by 1:00pm, the land use hearings will be opened and completed before proceeding to any remaining agenda items. Land use hearings will follow the following sequence:*

- *Open Land Use Hearing*
- *Staff Presents Application and Recommendation of Planning Commission*
- *Applicant Presents*
- *Public Input on Application (three minutes per person)*
- *BOCC Questions and Discussion*
- *BOCC Decision*
- *Close Land Use Hearing*

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