PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUSTER COUNTY MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT ALL ABOARD WESTCLIFFE.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Canda at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and an invocation given. Roll call was taken, and the following were present:

William R. Canda	Chair
Lucas D. Epp	Vice-Chair
Paul R. Vogelsong	Commissioner
Dan Slater	County Attorney
Kelley Camper	Clerk to the Board
Katlyn Wommack	BOCC Administrative Assistant

AUDIENCE INTRODUCTIONS
Present in the audience were James Gilbert; HR Director, Robert Smith; and Jared Baker.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA
Removed "Resolution # 26-43 Budget Amendment Road and Bridge Fund to Capital Fund" and changed "Intragovernmental Agreement with Wetmore Fire" to "Memorandum of Understanding with Wetmore Fire".

MINUTES
MOTION by Commissioner Epp to approve the minutes of the August 26th BOCC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS
The board reported on the various meetings they attended and individuals they met with.

ATTORNEY ITEMS
None

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ITEMS
None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
None

NEW BUSINESS

ACCOUNTYS PAYABLE

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to approve the accounts payable in the amount of $211,810.50. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION # 26-42 PEACE OFFICER TRAINING AND SUPPORT FUND

Senate Bill 25-310 established the Peace Officer Training and Support Fund. State Statute requires local governments wanting to use these funds to establish a resolution stating that the funds be expended in accordance with §24-33.5-122(3)(c).

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to adopt Resolution # 26-42 "a Resolution certifying compliance with C.R.S. §24-33.5-122(3)(a)(III) regarding the Peace Officer Training and Support Fund". Motion carried unanimously.

WETMORE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

This MOU is between Custer County and the Wetmore Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and outlines the criteria for the fire department's use of a water truck for fire suppression that is owned by the County.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to approve the MOU between Custer County and the Wetmore Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

SALE OF COUNTY OWNED VEHICLES

Commissioner Epp stated that the County owns five (5) vehicles that they would like to put up for bid. These vehicles are: 2009 Dodge Durango with 163,250 miles; 2012 Dodge Ram 1500 with 184,757 miles; 2001 Dodge Durango with 217,763; 2007 Ford F150 with 191,678 miles; and a 2002 GMC Yukon 1500 with 231,581.

MOTION by Commissioner Epp to sell by sealed bid a 2009 Dodge Durango with a minimum bid of $750.00; a 2012 Dodge Ram 1500 with a minimum bid of $750.00; a 2001 Dodge Durango with a minimum bid of $600.00; a 2007 Ford F150 with a minimum bid of $300.00; and a 2002 GMC Yukon 1500 with a minimum bid of $1,250.00; to be posted on the County website on September 17th and in the local newspaper September 24th and October 1st; with sealed bids turned in to the County Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on October 8th; and bids to be opened during the October 14th BOCC meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

AIRPORT RUNWAY LIGHTING PROJECT TASK ORDER

This Task Order # 1 is incorporated into, and governed by, the Professional Services Agreement for Engineering Services dated July 22, 2026, between Custer County and LJA Engineering Inc. It is for the first phase of the runway lighting project, which is for the engineering services.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to approve Task Order No. 1 for the Professional Services Agreement for Engineering Services between Custer County and LJA Engineering Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

FAIRGROUNDS FACILITY USE AGREEMENT

This Facility Use Agreement is between Custer County and Nathaniel Longenecker for the use of the fairground's property between August 21, 2026 and June 27, 2027 for auctions that he conducts.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to approve the Facility Use Agreement between Custer County and Nathaniel Longenecker. Motion carried unanimously.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF FREMONT COUNTY AGREEMENT

This is an agreement between Custer County and the Humane Society of Fremont County for impound services from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to approve the Humane Society of Fremont County Inc. Impound Agreement in the amount of $341.62. Motion carried unanimously.

CCI LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Annually, the BOCC appoints a primary designee and an alternate designee to serve on the Colorado Counties Incorporated (CCI) Legislative Committee.

MOTION by Commissioner Epp to appoint Commissioner Epp as the primary designee and Commissioner Vogelsong as the alternate designee for the CCI Legislative Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

CUSTER COUNTY KIDS COUNCIL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

This MOU is between Custer County and the Custer County Kids Council (CCKC) and states that the County will serve as the fiscal agent for development and support of the CCKC for three (3) years, starting July 1, 2026.

MOTION by Commissioner Canda to approve the MOU between Custer County and the Custer County Kids Council. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was public comment from Jared Baker.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONER Canda made a motion to go into Executive Session for legal advice regarding a settlement offer from the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment per §24-6-402(4)(b). Motion carried unanimously.

The board recessed the regular session at 10:13 a.m. and went into Executive Session at 10:19 a.m. Those present were Commissioner Canda, Commissioner Epp, Commissioner Vogelsong, County Attorney Dan Slater, HR Director Robert Smith, and Clerk to the Board Kelley Camper.

The board recessed the Executive Session at 10:36 a.m. and went back into regular session at 10:37 a.m. Commissioner Canda stated that the Executive Session remained on topic and that no decisions were made and no actions were taken and County Attorney, Dan Slater, confirmed this.

NEW BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT SETTLEMENT OFFER

County Attorney, Dan Slater, explained that in 2023, the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment received complaints regarding the County's posting of job positions. Since then, the County has changed their policies regarding job postings to come into compliance with State law and have remained in compliance since then. The County could have faced significant fines, but since the County has remained in compliance, the fine was a lower amount.

MOTION by Commissioner Epp to accept the settlement offer by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment in the amount of $1,500. Motion carried unanimously.

Having no further business, Commissioner Canda adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

William R. Canda

BOCC Chair, William R. Canda

Kelley S. Camper

Attest:
County Clerk & Recorder, Kelley S. Camper