

CUSTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2026

Call to Order

Andrew Zeller, Chair called the meeting of the Custer County Republican Central Committee to order at 6:09 P.M. at the Ranchers' Roost Meeting Room in the Bowling Center, Westcliffe, Colorado.

Prayer

Pledge

Determination of Quorum (New Bylaws Art VI, Sec 3, A - 10 Members make a quorum)

14 Members present – A Quorum is present

Roll Call

Attendance record was passed for roll call. The following were present:

Members:

Andrew Zeller, Ann Barthrop, Joanie Wilcox, Nancy Drummond, Lisa Kidwell, James McMahon, Johnny Miller, Harald Frank , Steven Rorick, Stephen Robinson, Brad Baltzly, Bill Canda, Paul Vogelsong and Lucas Epp.

Guests: Clifton Loucks, Alina Rominger , Adrian Washington, Dawn Ramsdell, Kit Shy, Stephen Wilcox, Lucille Neo, Lisa Frank, Marci Gregg, Roger Gregg, Taylor LoPresti, Jean Canterbury, Hans Prah, Mario Currado, Heather Currado, Nikita Phillips, David Tolar, Ruth Mitchell, Mark Graner, Randy Gray, Michelle Gray, Robert Veltrie, Gordon Greer, Linda Pollack, Bob Senderhauf, Matt Alexander, Kevin Lauman, Linda Miller, Lisa Gurian, Eric Messick, Aure Eilic, Elizabeth Robinson, Ignacio Becerra, Jake Shy, Machel Sexton, and Charley Ellison.

Agenda

Motion to accept Agenda made by Lucas Epp and Seconded by Paul Vogelsong. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 5, 2026, Meeting. Discussion of Vote for Chair held in this meeting. Lisa Kidwell moved that we send Jack Canterbury's Complaint concerns for the election of the Chair to the State for review. Johnny Miller seconded. The question is called to end debate. Motion is passed to end debate. Motion is amended to keep the two PCPs of Precinct 1 informed on the State review. Motion is passed.

Reports from Officers

Introduction of Guests:

Welcome Guests and CD7 Candidate Tim Bennett.

Chairman Andrew Zeller:

The Chair introduced James Boland Candidate running for HD-18.

Next Tim Bennett Candidate for CD-7 spoke.
Next Jennifer James Candidate for SD-4 spoke.
Next Michelle Gray Candidate for HD-60 spoke.
Next Matt Alexander Candidate for HD-60 spoke.
Next Taylor LoPresti Candidate for Custer County Commissioner spoke.
Next Brad Baltzly Candidate for Custer County Coroner spoke.

Chair Andrew Zeller then referred to our Republican Party Platform, Chap. 10: GOVERNMENT OF, BY, AND FOR THE PEOPLE which is printed on the back of our Agenda for tonight. Return to peace through strength. I just wanted to relate it to something that's going on in the world and that's the Operation Epic Fury in Iran. I would like to run a thought by you all and that is what would the unexpected consequences be if we didn't take action, that could be horrifying. This part of our Platform is one of my favorite parts.

County Assembly Preparation. Thank you all for paying your Badge Fees. There are a few expenses to hold the County Assembly and those Fees will help us pay for them. The County Assembly is March 28, 2026 at 1:00 PM at Lange Hall. Please put the Date and Time on your Calendar.

Letter of Complaint by Jack Canterbury to the CCRCC – Reference Caucus Delegate Elections.
Jack Canterbury then read his Complaint Letter.

Andrew Zeller – The answer to Jack's Complaint is very simple. Basically what he presented to you was that Delegates from the Caucus to County Assembly are to be elected at the Caucus, that happened. The Vice Chair, the Secretary and the Chair were elected to the County Assembly at Caucus on the Ballot. My name was on the Ballot, Ann's name was on the Ballot and Joanie's name was on the Ballot, and those Ballots were voted. Second from our own Bylaws Article VIII, Sec 2, B of the CCRCC Bylaws states, "The Chairman, Vice-Chair and Secretary of the CCRCC are designated delegates to the Custer County Assembly and to the State Assembly." It's in our Bylaws and there was no breaking of any State Law or Statute there either we were elected at Caucus.

I will entertain a Motion that we rule Jack's Complaint Out of Order. Lisa Kidwell so moved. Seconded. Motion to call the question. Seconded by Joanie Wilcox. Motion to call the question is passed. The question is that our response to Mr. Canterbury and his Complaint is that the State Statutes require an election at the Caucus for the delegates and that took place for the Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary and what we did was in conformity with our Bylaws. That's the Motion. Motion passed. Andrew will email his letter to Jack as his official Response to him.

Vice Chair Ann Barthrop:

Caucus Debrief

The Caucus Report has been completed and turned in to the County Clerk and Recorder.
We had a record sign-up for Election Judges. We had about 26 people sign-up.

Recognition of Outgoing PCPs: Chairman

Andrew handed out Commemorative Gold Plated 250th Anniversary of the United States of America to all the Outgoing PCPs.

Oath of Office to new PCPs

Chairman Andrew Zeller gave the Oath of Office to all the new PCPs.

John Miller, Jim McMahon, Steve Rorick, Harald Frank, and Stephen Robinson.

The Oath of Office:

I, (Name) do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States. I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and I will abide by the Custer County Republican Central Committee Bylaws and faithfully execute the Office of Precinct Committee Person of Custer County Colorado. I take this obligation freely and I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of this Office. So help me God.

At this time we are going to move into an Executive Session. That means that those who are Voting Members of this Committee stay and the rest have to leave. Honestly I wish you all could stay, but we have a piece of business that requires us to call an Executive Session. So I am moving that we have an Executive Session. Do we have a Second? Lisa Kidwell seconded. Motion passed.

Lisa Kidwell makes a Motion that the former PCPs be allowed to join the Executive Session. Seconded. Motion passed.

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned and moved into Executive Session. Meeting Adjourned at 7:52 P.M. Next Meeting is Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. at Ranchers' Roost Meeting Room in the Bowling Center, Westcliffe, Colorado.

Respectfully,

Joanie Wilcox, Secretary