

**CUSTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

June 11, 2026

Call to Order

Ann Barthrop, Chair called the meeting of the Custer County Republican Central Committee to order at 6:11 P.M. at the Ranchers' Roost Meeting Room in the Bowling Center, Westcliffe, Colorado.

Prayer – Andrew Zeller

Pledge -Andrew Zeller

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

10 Members present – A Quorum is present

Roll Call

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

Members:

Ann Barthrop, Taylor LoPresti, Joanie Wilcox, Lisa Kidwell, James McMahon, Harald Frank , Steven Rorick, Brad Baltzly, Bill Canda, and Lucas Epp.

Guests: Jason White, Kathy Lutz, Wendy Seidel, Jean Canterbury, Machellexton, Dawn Ramsdell, Bob Senderhauf, Clifton Loucks, Stephen Wilcox, Matt Alexander, Tim Bennett, Ruth Mitchell, Staci Kish, Nadine Petersen, Teddy Collins, David Lutz, Andrew Zeller, Nick Bennett, Ben Feenup and Jack Canterbury.

Agenda

Motion to accept Agenda made and Seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 14, 2026. Taylor LoPresti would like to strike the notation of what occurred after the meeting was adjourned. Motion is Seconded and Motion is passed.

Reports from Officers

Chair: Ann Barthrop

The Executive Board, Ann Barthrop, Taylor LoPresti and Joanie Wilcox attended the State Meeting for the election of a new State Republican Chair on May 30, 2026. Mr. Steiner was elected as the new State Republican Chair and there have been some Committee changes. It looks like Mr. Steiner is going to be providing Software to the Counties that don't have it for using Databases. They will be having training on it in the near future when they get things organized.

Vacancy Committee:

The Vacancy Committee consists of the 18 Elected people in various ways of the CCRCC. We have Kathy Lutz as a Candidate for PCP for Precinct 2. Is there anyone else who would like to run for this Office? No one else was nominated or self-nominated.

For the Office of Treasurer we have Dawn Ramsdell and Staci Kish as the two Candidates. Is there anyone else who would like to run for this Office? No one else was nominated or self-nominated. The reason I ask that about the Candidates is because we would like to provide time for them to speak later in the meeting.

Proposed Calendar for July 2026 - December 26, 2026

Parade July 4th – Decorate the Float on July 3, 2026 @ 4:00 PM in Steve Rorick's Garage @ 108 Main Street, Westcliffe. Steve Rorick is our Fundraising and Events Chair. Theme – 250 Years – Discussion on how to decorate the Float led by Lisa Kidwell. We have 10 Volunteers to help decorate and will serve Pizza for dinner to all who come to decorate.

Lincoln Day Event – Date

Discussion on Date to have a Lincoln Day Event. A Vote was taken to hold a Lincoln Day Event on either August 15, 2026 or August 29, 2026 whichever date the Pavilion at Hermit Park is available. Matt Alexander and Teddy Collins volunteered to attend the Event and Teddy Collins volunteered to donate an item for the Event.

November Election Activities:

A few suggestions – Sign Waving – Voter Registrations -PCPs doing activities in all Three (3) Precincts at the same time. Ann Barthrop volunteered to make Business Cards for all the PCPs to hand out to encourage Voter Registration and participation in GOP Events. We need action from everyone to get people to participate and VOTE! Dawn Ramsdell suggested having the Business Cards or another Business Size Card with the QR Code to the Secretary of State Site to have people Register to Vote for everyone to carry and utilize to help people Register to Vote.

Christmas Party: December 10, 2026

Vote taken to hold the Christmas Party on December 10, 2026 which is our regular Meeting night at Tony's Pizza if it's available on that night. Vote was unanimous to hold the Christmas Party on that date.

CCRCC MEETINGS: June 18, 2026 – Election; July 2026 No Meeting;

Lisa Kidwell made a Motion to meet on July 9, 2026 and it was Seconded and Passed.

CCRCC MEETINGS: August – November 2026, 2nd Thursday of the Month.

Vice Chair: Taylor LoPresti

He attended the State Meeting to Elect the new Chair on May 30, 2026 and met a lady that represents Protect Colorado Children and that group is responsible for 3 Ballot Measures that will be on the November Ballot. One of them is for Child Trafficking, the second one was No Gender Changes Prior to Age 18 and the third one was No Boys in Girls' Sports. All of these will be on the Ballot so if you talk to people about voting encourage them to vote for these three Ballot Measures. Teddy Collins also added that there are two more Ballot Measures to vote for one for a Constitutional Requirement for Abortion in Colorado it will remove it as a Constitutional Right and one for making Oil and Gas here in Colorado.

Secretary: Joanie Wilcox

Nothing at this time.

Treasurer: Open Position – No Report

Reports from Committee Chairs:

Fundraising and Events Chair: Steve Rorick

We are having a Meet N Greet with 10 Candidates on June 23, 2026, at 4:30 PM at the High School. It is sponsored by America First Citizens and Red County Blue Nation will Live Stream it. It is not a Fundraiser it is to get these Candidates in front of as big an Audience as we can to get them elected. We are hoping to get 400 to 500 people at the School to get these Candidates in front of these people to get them elected.

Website: Kathy Lutz

If you have information for Kathy put on the Website email her at: kathylutz93@gmail.com

Young Republicans: Chair Jason White

He held a Meeting for the Young Republicans a couple weeks ago and only two people attended, Jimmy McMahon and Wendy Seidel. No younger people showed up. He is trying to get this group up and running and he needs ideas on how to get Young Republicans up and running. He is trying to set a date for the next Meeting. He will get information to Kathy Lutz to put on the Website and he would like to set up dates for Monthly Meetings targeting 15-30 Year Olds. Right now the next Meeting is set for 5:30 PM on June 29, 2026 at Tony's Pizza.

PCP & Treasurer Candidates Introductions and Presentations (3 Minutes each)

State Candidates Introductions and Presentations (3 Minutes each)

Tim Bennett – Congressional Candidate for CD-7

Dawn Ramsdell – Candidate for Treasurer of the CCRCC

- 1 – I am available to do the job as I live and own a Ranch in Custer County.
- 2 – I have a working knowledge of Tracer as well as Accounting. I have the actual ability to work in Tracer and have been working in Tracer for the last several years.
- 3 – Transparency – In the past I did slide shows in 2024 and 2025 where I went through our Bank Account and Deposits and I also went through Tracer and took the time to explain to you what was being done in Tracer at that time so that you could understand it. I also offered a question and answer period and I will again do that Monthly if that is what you would like to have me do.

I believe in the Constitution and the Republican Platform that's why I am standing here that's why I dedicated 7 or 8 years to be a part of the CCRCC. I am human and I have made mistakes too and I will admit those, but I really think that we need to join forces going forward. We need to join forces as friends, family, communities and state. We are not going to win by dividing and conquering our own Party. There are 6 Reporting Periods this year because it's an Election year and the next Reporting Period for Tracer is two weeks away. Time is of the essence and I humbly ask for your support and for you to vote for the person that you think has the sincerest and best ability to carry our fiscal responsibility forward in the CCRCC. Thank you for your time.

Teddy Collins – Candidate for State Senator

Staci Kish – Candidate for Treasurer of the CCRCC

Matt Alexander – Candidate for House District 60

The win isn't worth winning if you lose yourself in the process.

Kathy Lutz – Candidate for PCP of Precinct 2

I have been working on the Website for the last couple of years for the CCRCC and I totally want to be the PCP of Precinct 2.

Elected Officials Reports

None at this time.

Unfinished Business

Bob Senderhauf's Motion to write a letter to the State regarding the State Convention in Pueblo. Ann Barthrop did write a letter to them but they are in reorganization mode right now but she has talked with a reliable person at the State level and they will be reviewing the letter that she drafted to make sure that the facts are right. So we are moving forward on it but with the change in Chair and reorganization it will take some time.

Lisa Kidwell made a Motion to Adjourn, Seconded by Taylor LoPresti. Motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned. Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 P.M. Next Meeting is Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. at Valley Bible Church, Westcliffe, Colorado.

Respectfully,
Joanie Wilcox
CCRCC Secretary