

April 18, 2023

The Logan County Board of Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present constituting a quorum of the members thereof:

Jerry A. Sonnenberg	Chairman
Joseph A. McBride	Commissioner
Mike Brownell	Commissioner

Also present:

Alan Samber	Logan County Attorney
Pamela Bacon	Logan County Clerk
Marilee Johnson	Logan County Public Information Officer
Debbie Unrein	Logan County Finance
Rob Quint	Logan County Planning and Zoning
Lisa Williams	Logan County Planning and Zoning
Jerry Casebolt	EMS
Dave Conley	Logan County Lodging Tax Board
Megan Riylen	P&Z Regulations
Carol Schweiger	P&Z Regulations
Stephanie Blochowiak	ICF
Tony Gerk	P&Z Regulations
Gary Schlenz	P&Z Regulations
Walt Page	Resolution 2023-10
Aaron Huston	P&Z Regulations
Adam Schlenz	P&Z Regulations
Brook Mollohan Cook	P&Z Regulations
Suzanne Workman	P&Z Regulations
Alex Ingulsrud	National Resource Solutions
Tom Kiel	
Jeff Rice	Journal Advocate

Chairman Sonnenberg called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Sonnenberg asked if there were any revisions for the agenda besides the ones discussed in the work session. Hearing none, Chairman Sonnenberg continued with consent agenda.

The Board continued with the Consent Agenda items:

- Approval of the Minutes of the April 4, 2023, meeting.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Sheriff's Fee report for the month of March 2023.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Landfill Supervisor's report for the month of March 2023.
- Acknowledge the receipt of the Public Trustee's report for the first quarter of 2023.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg continued with Unfinished Business:

Chairman Sonnenberg stated the award of the bid for the construction of an addition to the Logan County Fairgrounds Exhibit Center located at 1120 Pawnee Avenue, Sterling, CO to be used as a multi-purpose Community Center is tabled until May 16<sup>th</sup> Commissioner meeting.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the approval of an agreement between Logan County and Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC allowing the purchase of 0.1 wetland mitigation credits from Front Range Mitigation Bank for a bridge replacement project which will permanently discharge fill material into 0.022-acres of the South Platte River and 0.2-acres of jurisdictional wetlands. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner Brownell moved to approve an agreement between Logan County and Westervelt Ecological Services, LLC allowing the purchase of 0.1 wetland mitigation credits from Front Range Mitigation Bank for a bridge replacement project which will permanently discharge fill material into 0.022-acres of the South Platte River and 0.2-acres of jurisdictional wetlands and authorize the Chairman to sign. Commissioner McBride seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg continued with New Business:

Consideration of the approval of the following Logan County Lodging Tax Board projects:

- Volunteer Appreciation Banquet - \$2,500.
- Explore Magazine - \$1,000.
- CBGA Region 5 Junior Show - \$2,500.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the approval of the Logan County Lodging Tax Board Projects. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Logan County Lodging Tax Board Project Volunteer Appreciation Banquet in the amount of \$2,500, Explore Magazine in the amount of \$1,000 and CBGA Region 5 Junior Show in the amount of \$2,500 and authorize the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the approval of Resolution 2023-9 extending the temporary moratorium on the issuance of permits related to the operation of community solar garden facilities in Logan County. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Commissioner Brownell moved to approve Resolution 2023-9 extending the temporary moratorium on the issuance of permits related to the operation of community solar garden facilities in Logan County. Commissioner McBride seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the approval of a Letter of Gift and Bill of Sale of ambulance equipment consisting of one 2012 Autopulse Resuscitation System. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.



Commissioner McBride moved to approve a Letter of Gift and Bill of Sale of ambulance equipment consisting of one 2012 Autopulse Resuscitation System to Peetz Fire Protection District. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner McBride moved to make the corrections that were noted in the work session to Resolution 2023-10 amending the Logan County Zoning Regulations by the adoption of regulations for the issuance of permits for Wind Energy Facilities in the unincorporated areas of Logan County, Colorado. Commissioner Brownell seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the approval of Resolution 2023-10 amending the Logan County Zoning Resolution by the adoption of regulations for the issuance of permits for Wind Energy Facilities in the unincorporated areas of Logan County, Colorado.

- Tony Gerk addressed the board with concerns and suggestions for setbacks, task force, bonding decommission, CPW increase transparency and shadow flickering.
- Aaron Huston agreed with Tony Gerk on all the concerns brought up and he also was concerned about future property use.
- Gary Schlenz expressed his opinion about opposing more wind towers in Logan County.
- Carol Schweiger expressed her concerns with the proposed setbacks, would like more mitigation for shadow flickering and the noise.
- Adam Schlenz opposed the new regulations presented by the Planning and Zoning commission and would like to see further setbacks.
- Walt Page presented to the board a map and was in favor of the wind tower projects and the proposed setbacks.
- Brooke Mollohan Cook requested the board make amendments to the proposed setbacks to make them more than what is being proposed.
- Suzanne Workman spoke in opposition of the wind farms and suggested amendments to the zoning regulations.
- Alex Ingulsrud spoke in favor of the regulations and pointed out a few clarifications and corrections that he felt needed to be changed.
- Stephanie Blochowiak of ICF has been to every Planning and Zoning Commission meeting and is a certified land use planner. She spoke in favor of the draft wind regulations being proposed.

Commissioner McBride moved to adopt a resolution to extend the moratorium on wind until May 3, 2023, and table until May 2, 2023 Commissioner meeting Resolution 2023-10 amending the Logan County Zoning Resolution by the adoption of regulations for the issuance of permits for Wind Energy Facilities in the unincorporated areas of Logan County, Colorado. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

- Tony Gerk followed up in closing about noise mitigation and leading-edge blades for noise reduction and studies can be done prior to contract being signed by the wind companies.
- Aaron Huston asked the board if the new regulations could be retroactive for people that have wind farms now?
- Brook Mollohan Cook appreciated all the people who voiced their concerns and the only people here in favor are the wind companies.

Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.

Chairman Sonnenberg opened a public hearing testimony phase of the meeting for the approval of a Waiver of Annexation Impact Report on behalf of the City of Sterling for the 21st Century Land LLC, Addition. Chairman Sonnenberg seeing no public comments, closed the public hearing testimony phase.


Commissioner McBride moved to approve a Waiver of Annexation Impact Report on behalf of the City of Sterling for the 21st Century Land LLC, Addition. Commissioner Brownell seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

### Other Business

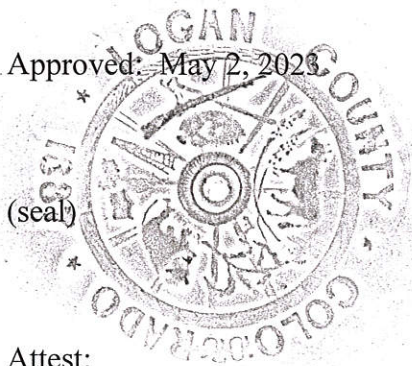
The next regular meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, May 2, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at the Logan County Courthouse.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Submitted by:

  
Logan County Clerk


Approved: May 2, 2023



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO

By:   
Jerry A. Sonnenberg, Chairman

Attest:

  
Logan County Clerk & Recorder