

August 20, 2024

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

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

Also present:

Alan Samber	Logan County Attorney
Pamela Bacon	Logan County Clerk & Recorder
Debbie Unrein	Logan County Finance
Trae Miller	Logan County Economic Development
Rob Quint	Logan County Planning and Zoning
Lisa Williams	Logan County Planning and Zoning
Kyle Sundman	Pivot Energy
Cait O'Mara	Pivot Energy
Bob Lingreen	
Julie Sullivan	
Mike Sullivan	
Tiffany Storch	
Ken Minch	
Dean Haynes	City of Sterling
Jeff Rice	Journal Advocate

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

Chairman Brownell asked if there were any revisions for the agenda. Hearing none, Chairman Brownell continued with the Consent Agenda.

The Board continued with the Consent Agenda items:

- Approval of the Minutes of the August 6, 2024, meeting.
- Acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2024.
- Acknowledge receipt of the Sheriff's Fee Report for the month of July 2024.
- Acknowledge receipt of the Clerk and Recorder's Report for the month of July 2024.

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

Chairman Brownell continued with Unfinished Business:

Consideration of the approval of Resolution 2024-18 and an application granting a Special Use Permit (SUP) #240 for the construction, maintenance and operation of a Solar Energy Facility operated by Pivot Energy 54 LLC, consisting of solar modules mounted to single-axis tracking racks, associated electrical equipment including inverters, transformers, combiners, and other equipment, with total production not to exceed 4.0 megawatt (ac), located on a 23-acre parcel, more or less, leased from Robert Lingreen and Sterling Rural

Fire Protection District, in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 31, Township 8 North, Range 52 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Logan County, Colorado. Chairman Brownell opened a public hearing.

- Mike and Julie Sullivan addressed the board with concerns and questions in opposition of Resolution 2024-18
- Dean Haynes read a letter from Megan Wolf, City of Sterling Council Member in opposition of Resolution 2024-18.
- Dean Haynes, City of Sterling Council addressed the board with concerns, information and lack of notice in opposition to Resolution 2024-18.
- Mike Sullivan commented about it being a shame people don't get involved and thanked Planning and Zoning for their work to get information out to the public.
- Tiffany Storch addressed the board about people having choices on being able to attend meetings and consider different platforms to get information to the public.
- Trae Miller, Logan County Economic Development addressed the board in support of Resolution 2024-18 and explained his thoughts of what AG/Farm means and the definition in his opinion includes wind, solar and land use.
- Kyle Sunderman, Pivot Energy explained the follow up to concerns brought up at the last meeting:
  - Visual Impacts- hired a landscaping firm to show land as is now and the visual of how the land will look when completed.
  - Glare Study- reorienting the panels to mitigate glare for certain time frames.
  - Decommissioning- 20-40 years – donate panels to recycle panels.
  - Community Outreach – letters, postcards, Commissioner and City of Sterling meetings, Planning and Zoning meeting, continued use and working with City and County community engagements, 2500 homes in the area will get energy from this project.
  - Working with City of Sterling to have them subscribe and over the next 20 years will save the municipal buildings approximately \$263,000.00 from the energy subscription.
- Bob Lingreen addressed the board with his concerns with farming next to an urban area and his challenges with keeping the area under control of trash and weeds and feels this is the only way to get a return.

Commissioner Sonnenberg moved to approve Resolution 2024-18 and an application granting a Special Use Permit (SUP) #240 for the construction, maintenance and operation of a Solar Energy Facility operated by Pivot Energy 54 LLC, consisting of solar modules mounted to single-axis tracking racks, associated electrical equipment including inverters, transformers, combiners, and other equipment, with total production not to exceed 4.0 megawatt (ac), located on a 23-acre parcel, more or less, leased from Robert Lingreen and Sterling Rural Fire Protection District, in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section 31, Township 8 North, Range 52 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, Logan County, Colorado. Commissioner McBride seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Brownell continued with New Business:

Commissioner Sonnenberg moved to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between Logan County acting by and through the Logan County Clerk and Recorder and City of Sterling for administration of their respective duties concerning the conduct of the General Election to be held November 5, 2024. Commissioner McBride seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

**Other Business**

The next regular meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. at the Logan County Courthouse.

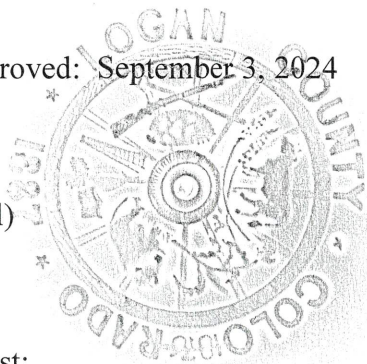
There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned, at 10:50 a.m.

Submitted by:

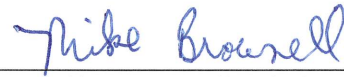
  
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Logan County Clerk & Recorder

Approved: September 3, 2024

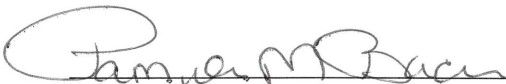
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO

By:   
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Mike Brownell, Chairman

Attest:

  
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Logan County Clerk & Recorder