



Town of Elizabeth

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting - Record of Proceedings

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Town Hall, 151 S. Banner Street

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Elizabeth was called to order on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, at 7:00 PM by Mayor Angela Ternus.

Roll Call

Present:

Mayor Angela Ternus
Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Hutchins
Trustee Dave Conley
Trustee Michael Schroder
Trustee Steve Gaither
Trustee Tony Atencio

Absent:

Trustee Loren Einspahr

There was a quorum to do business.

Also in Attendance:

Interim Administrator Chris Lowe
Town Clerk Michelle Oeser
Public Works Director Mike DeVol
Assistant Public Works Director James McErnie
Police Chief Jeff Engel
Finance Officer Hannah Bruce
Town Attorney Corey Hoffmann

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Ternus led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment

This is a meeting of the Board of Trustees held in public. We welcome you here and thank you for your time and concerns. When you are recognized, please stand and state your name and address to the Board. Your comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If many speakers are anticipated, the Mayor may (a) shorten the time limit; (b) ask speakers to limit themselves to new information and points of view not already covered by previous speakers; and/or (c) limit the total time of public comment to allow the Board to proceed to consider items set on the regular meeting agenda. The Board of Trustees may not respond to your comments during this meeting, but rather take your comments and suggestions under advisement and your questions will be

directed to the appropriate person or department for follow-up. Personal attacks against Board Members, Administrative Staff, or Employees will not be recognized. If a response from Staff is requested, the Mayor will direct Staff to have a response at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Misty Schurglvich - Town of Elizabeth Resident
Kathy Davis - Elbert County Resident
Jenna Jacobson - Elbert County Resident
Cindy Angers - Elbert County Resident
Jean Savulsky - Elbert County Resident
Julie Denton - Elbert County Resident
Mike Barney - Town of Elizabeth Resident
Richard Savulsky - Elbert County Resident
Paul Schwarzkopf - Town of Elizabeth Resident

Agenda Changes

No changes from Administration.

No changes from the Board.

Agenda set.

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 24, 2026

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, seconded by Trustee Conley, to approve the Consent Agenda.
Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Schroder, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio
Voting No: None

Motion Passed Unanimously (6-0)

Presentations

2. 2025 Annual Colorado Parks and Wildlife Deer Report – Casey Westbrook

Casey Westbrook provided a 2025 Deer report.
The Board asked Casey to move forward with the 2026 Deer Management within the Town of Elizabeth.

Mayor Ternus closed the Regular Meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 8:02 PM.

Public Hearing

3. Budget Amendment – Hannah Bruce

Ms. Bruce provided a Staff report.
Mayor Ternus opened the Public Hearing to Public Comment.
Nancy Sutton - Elbert County Resident

Mayor Ternus closed the Public Hearing and reopened the Regular Meeting at 8:21 PM

New Business

4. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 26R12, a Resolution amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025– Hannah Bruce

Motion by Trustee Conley, seconded by Trustee Gaither, to approve Resolution 26R12, a Resolution amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Schroder, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio

Voting No: None

Motion Passed Unanimously (6-0)

Mayor Ternus closed the Regular Meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 8:25 PM.

Public Hearing

5. Second Reading of Ordinance 26-04, an Ordinance amending Chapter 18 of The Town of Elizabeth Municipal Code by the addition thereto of a New Article XVI adopting the Wildfire Resiliency Code – Corey Hoffmann

Mr. Hoffmann provided a Staff report.

Mayor Ternus opened the Public Hearing for Public Comment.

Paul Swarzkopf - Town Resident

Mayor Ternus closed the Public Hearing and reopened the Regular Meeting at 8:30 PM.

New Business

6. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance 26-04, an Ordinance amending Chapter 18 of The Town of Elizabeth Municipal Code by the addition thereto of a New Article XVI adopting the Wildfire Resiliency Code – Corey Hoffmann

Motion by Trustee Conley, seconded by Trustee Gaither, to approve Ordinance 26-04, an Ordinance amending Chapter 18 of The Town of Elizabeth Municipal Code by the addition thereto of a New Article XVI adopting the Wildfire Resiliency Code – Corey Hoffmann.

Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio

Voting No: Trustee Schroder

Motion Passed Unanimously (5-1)

7. Discussion and possible action on Awarding the Hillside Paving and Wade Park Construction Contract– Mike DeVol

Mr. DeVol provided a Staff report.

Motion by Trustee Schroder, seconded by Trustee Gaither, to approve Awarding the Hillside Paving and Wade Park Construction Contract to Nex Civil Construction LLC, not to exceed \$2,854,626.86.

Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Schroder, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio

Voting No: None

Motion Passed Unanimously (6-0)

8. Discussion on Elbert County Road Vacations by Resolutions 2025-63 and Resolution 2025-64 – Chris

Lowe

Mr. Lowe provided a Staff report.

The Board provided support for Mr. Lowe to send a letter to Elbert County Commissioners with regard to Resolutions 2025-63 and 2025-64.

9. Discussion and direction regarding Town Administrator Executive Search Consultant– Michelle Oeser

Ms. Oeser provided a synopsis of direction given by the Board to move forward regarding the process for interviewing of consultants.

Management Monitoring Reports

10. Managers Reports

- Interim Town Administrator Chris Lowe:
 - This year's budgeting process will begin earlier.
- Finance Officer Hannah Bruce:
 - Mayor Ternus inquired about the May Audit presentation.
- Police Chief Jeff Engel:
 - Gave a brief update on a vehicle crash that occurred in Town.
 - Discussion on E-Bike regulations.
- Public Works Director Michael DeVol:
 - Student volunteers will be working on Town clean up.
- Town Clerk Michelle Oeser:
 - Discussion on the upcoming Business Expo.
 - Discussion on distribution of Stampede Rodeo tickets.
 - Provided a 250-150 celebration update.

Board of Trustees Report

11. Board Reports

- Mayor Angela Ternus:
 - Recognized Officer Herbel for his five years of service.
 - Attended the Annual STARS Banquet. There was a great turnout.
- Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Hutchins:
 - Visited the Castle Rock Senior Center.
- Trustee Dave Conley:
 - Has received great reviews about our Police Officer's responses.

Minutes

12. Minutes of the Planning Commission Meeting of March 3, 2026

Executive Session

13. To determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(e) and to hold a conference with the Town's attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), concerning options related to MainStreet Scape Project and payment request from Triple M.

Motion by Mayor Ternus, seconded by Trustee Gaither, to close the Regular Meeting at 9:50 PM and open an Executive Session to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402 (4)(e) and to hold a conference with the Town's attorney to receive legal advice on specific legal questions, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), concerning options related to MainStreet Streetscape Project and payment request from Triple M.

Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Schroder, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio

Voting No: None

Motion Passed Unanimously (6-0)

Motion by Trustee Conley, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, to adjourn the Executive Session and return to the Regular Meeting at 10:44 PM.

Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Schroder, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio

Voting No: None

Motion Passed Unanimously (6-0)

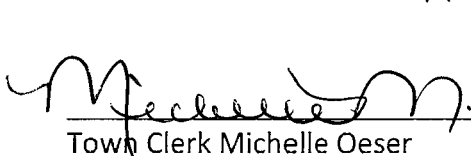
Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Conley, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, to adjourn the meeting at 10:44 PM.

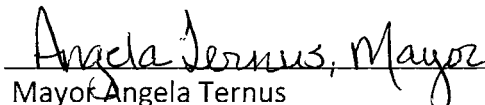
Voting Yes: Mayor Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, Trustee Conley, Trustee Schroder, Trustee Gaither, Trustee Atencio

Voting No: None

Motion Passed Unanimously (6-0)


Town Clerk Michelle Oeser




Mayor Angela Ternus