

## **New Castle Climate & Environment Commission Minutes**

**April 16, 2026**

**Attendees:** Commissioner Bruce Leland, Commissioner Ryan Deyarmond, Commissioner Julia Koch, Commissioner Myrna Candraia, Commissioner Kendall Bakich, and Commissioner Nancy Barnes

Vice-Chair Candraia called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

### **Earth Day Promotion and Logistics**

Commissioners are posting Earth Day flyers throughout town.

All commissioners confirmed they will attend the Earth Day event. Commissioners should wear their CEC t-shirts and wristbands. Commissioners signed up for day-of assignments.

### **Plastic Reduction Flyer**

Commissioners reviewed the two plastic reduction flyer options.

**Motion:** Commissioner Deyarmond moved to approve the white background “10 Tips” flyer with revisions to increase the size of the logos and the “10 Tips” title. Commissioner Bakich seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Community Recycle Guide Updates**

Commissioner Leland presented the recycling guide to the commission. The commission recommended several editing and formatting changes. Commissioner Leland will include the recycling guide and plastic reduction flyer in the town’s digital newsletter.

**Motion:** Commissioner Deyarmond moved to approve the guide with corrections. Commissioner Koch seconded. Motion passed unanimously

### **Trail Clean-Up Day**

Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers is handling all the details of the trail clean-up day, May 9<sup>th</sup>, from 8am-3pm. Commissioner Koch will have the flyer available for distribution at the Earth Day event. Commissioners who are participating should register on the RFOV website.

### **CEC Open Seats**

There are currently open seats on the CEC commission, which will remain open until filled. The commission thanks outgoing Commissioners Leland and Candraia for their leadership and service to both the CEC and the town.

### **Approval of March 16<sup>th</sup>, Minutes**

**Motion:** Commissioner Bakich moved to approve the March 16 minutes. Commissioner Deyarmond seconded. Motion carried.

### **Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Barnes invited the CEC to attend a screening of the film *The Pollinator's* on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the Crystal Theater in Carbondale. Commissioner Barnes and Chair Morris attended the *American Southwest* film hosted by Middle Colorado Watershed Coalition

Commissioner Bakich inquired whether communities outside of town limits but connected to the city's water system are subject to the same watering restrictions. Commissioner Leland will follow up with town officials.

Commissioner Deyarmond noted that he will announce the business grant at the next Chamber After Hours event on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 5:30pm. The event is being hosted by West Canyon Nursery.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner Nancy Barnes

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Commission Chair Sharon Morris