

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR  
CUSTER COUNTY, COLORADO  
November 07, 2017

COORDINATED ELECTION

Style 2C10

County Clerk and Recorder  
*Kelley S. Compton*

**Instruction Text:**  
Please use a black or blue pen to mark your ballot. To vote for your choice in each contest, completely fill in the box provided to the left of your choice. To vote for a write-in candidate, completely fill in the box provided to the left of the words "Write-in" and write in the name of the candidate on the line provided.



**"WARNING: Any person who, by use of force or other means, unduly influences an eligible elector to vote in any particular manner or to refrain from voting, or who falsely makes, alters, forges, or counterfeits any mail ballot before or after it has been cast, or who destroys, defaces, mutilates, or tampers with a ballot is subject, upon conviction, to imprisonment, or to a fine, or both."**

**CUSTER COUNTY C-1 SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1  
TWO YEAR TERM**  
Vote for One  
 James C. Parkes, Jr.

**DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4  
FOUR YEAR TERM**  
Vote for One  
 Robert Jolley  
 Mike Benoit  
 Doreen Newcomb

**DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5  
FOUR YEAR TERM**  
Vote for One  
 Theresa (Terre) Davis

**Ballot questions referred by the general assembly or any political subdivision are listed by letter, and ballot questions initiated by the people are listed numerically. A ballot question listed as an "amendment" proposes a change to the Colorado constitution, and a ballot question listed as a "proposition" proposes a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes. A "yes/for" vote on any ballot question is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances, and a "no/against" vote on any ballot question is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances.**

**CUSTER COUNTY**

**BALLOT QUESTION 1A**  
Shall the Board of County Commissioners for Custer County go forward in conjunction with the Custer County Planning Commission and prepare a proposed resolution for a building code based on the 2006 International Building Code and a fire code based on the 2006 International Fire Code for the unincorporated areas of Custer County, State of Colorado, with said codes to be consistent and compatible with the building codes and fire codes currently in effect in the incorporated Towns of Silver Cliff and Westcliffe, and further with said codes to be subject to an express provision that the resolution would be prospective in nature only and would not apply to existing structures or to structures that are properly permitted and under construction at the time said resolution (if approved) becomes effective?

Yes/For  
 No/Against

**CUSTER COUNTY  
C-1 School District**

**Ballot Issue 3A:**  
SHALL CUSTER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. C-1 DEBT BE INCREASED \$4.74 MILLION, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$7.9 MILLION, AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY UP TO \$495,000 ANNUALLY TO EXTEND THE USEFUL LIFE OF EXISTING SCHOOL FACILITIES AND REDUCE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE LOCAL MATCHING MONEY REQUIRED FOR THE DISTRICT TO RECEIVE \$6.46 MILLION IN AWARDED "BEST" GRANT FUNDS (WHICH ARE NOT REQUIRED TO BE REPAID) TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF:  
- REPAIRING AND RENOVATING THE DISTRICT-WIDE SCHOOL CAMPUS FACILITIES INCLUDING THE WOODSHOP/AGRICULTURE BUILDING, WHICH REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS INCLUDE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, FIRE SAFETY UPGRADES, SECURITY AND SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM UPGRADES, ROOF REPLACEMENTS, ELECTRICAL SYSTEM UPGRADES, PLUMBING UPGRADES, HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEM REPLACEMENT, OFFICE UPGRADES, AND AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) IMPROVEMENTS;  
AND TO THE EXTENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE AFTER PROVIDING FOR THE ABOVE COSTS, TO PAY OTHER COSTS OF IMPROVING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL FACILITIES, BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS WHICH SHALL BEAR INTEREST, MATURE, BE SUBJECT TO REDEMPTION, WITH OR WITHOUT PREMIUM, AND BE ISSUED AT SUCH TIME, AT SUCH PRICE (AT, ABOVE OR BELOW PAR) AND IN SUCH MANNER AND CONTAINING SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THIS BALLOT ISSUE, AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY DETERMINE; AND SHALL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES BE LEVIED WITHOUT LIMIT AS TO THE MILL RATE TO GENERATE AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT IN EACH YEAR TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT AND TO FUND ANY RESERVES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF?

Yes  
 No

**Recall County Commissioner District 1**

Statement of Grounds for the Recall of County Commissioner District 1 Robert (Bob) Kattnig

Robert (Bob) Kattnig, Donna L. Hood and Jay D. Printz (They), have violated their oath of office to uphold the Colorado Constitution per C.R.S. Titles 24 and 30: They continue to hold closed door, executive sessions and/or secret meetings wherein county issues are discussed and policy decisions made, which are not accessible to the public. BY LAW, County Commissioners CANNOT make decisions in these executive sessions. Our Commissioners always emerge from these meetings publicly stating that no decisions were made. However, in other meetings, they reference decisions/actions made that WERE NOT made in open meetings. These ACTIONS ARE IN VIOLATION of C.R.S. Sections 24-6-401, 24-6-402 and 30-10-302. Other issues: (1) CSU Extension Program: They: a. forced the removal of our award winning County Extension Agent, Robin Young; b. lost our State Mandated Weed Program, critical for our ranching and community areas; c. severed our long and productive relationship with CSU; and d. jeopardized our 4H programs at a critical time before competition at the County Fair. (2) Disrespect for Citizens and Employees: They: a. harass them with emotional outbursts of anger; b. lack transparency; c. lack truthfulness; and d. lost trust of citizens.

Robert (Bob) Kattnig County Commissioner District 1 Statement

I am asking for your support by voting NO on the recall.

My areas of responsibility are; Veterans Services, Office of Emergency Management, Landfill, and Road and Bridge. When I took office, the Veterans Service Office was a part-time position serving about 60 veterans from the basement of a private home. Today we have Veterans Center located in the annex with a full-time VSO serving about 400 veterans. These numbers continue to grow. The VSO also holds office hours in Wetmore. Our Office of Emergency Management has shown tremendous growth in expertise. Their performance during and after the Junkins fire proves this. In addition, during a recent statewide exercise, our OEM was recognized as one of the best in the state. In spite of rumors and false headlines, we have no plans to increase the landfill fees. Last year, operations were only \$18,000 from breaking even. This year's revenue projections appear to be in the black. However, we need to start planning for future landfill expansion. Road and Bridge is our greatest budget item and continues to be challenged to maximize service with an aging equipment fleet. Some equipment is more than 30 years old. This is compounded by a tremendous growth in vehicle traffic. One recent two-day weekend revealed more than 3500 vehicles using Hermit Road just west of town. I have kept my campaign promises. I continue to conduct county business in an open and transparent manner and in accordance to the Sunshine Law. We must work together to take our County forward.

**Recall Question**  
Should Robert (Bob) Kattnig, County Commissioner District 1, be recalled from office?

Yes  
 No

**District 1 Successor Candidates  
(Vote for One)**  
 William R. (Bill) Canda  
 Write-in

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Sample Ballot

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**Recall County Commissioner District 2**

Statement of Grounds for the Recall of County Commissioner District 2 Jay D. Printz Robert (Bob) Kattnig, Donna L. Hood and Jay D. Printz (They), have violated their oath of office to uphold the Colorado Constitution per C.R.S. Titles 24 and 30: They continue to hold closed door, executive sessions and/or secret meetings wherein county issues are discussed and policy decisions made, which are not accessible to the public. BY LAW, County Commissioners CANNOT make decisions in these executive sessions. Our Commissioners always emerge from these meetings publicly stating that no decisions were made. However, in other meetings, they reference decisions/actions made that WERE NOT made in open meetings. These ACTIONS ARE IN VIOLATION of C.R.S. Sections 24-6-401, 24-6-402 and 30-10-302. Other issues: (1) CSU Extension Program: They: a. forced the removal of our award winning County Extension Agent, Robin Young; b. lost our State Mandated Weed Program, critical for our ranching and community areas; c. severed our long and productive relationship with CSU; and d. jeopardized our 4H programs at a critical time before competition at the County Fair. (2) Disrespect for Citizens and Employees: They: a. harass them with emotional outbursts of anger; b. lack transparency; c. lack truthfulness; and d. lost trust of citizens.

Jay D. Printz County Commissioner District 2 Statement

Dear Voter:  
It has been an honor to serve Custer County since the beginning of January. Your Commissioners accomplished a lot in a short time.  
The most distressing issues handled by the Commissioners have been the neglect and mismanagement left over from prior administrations. As soon as possible, we ended the law suit which cost the County over \$150,000.00 in tax dollars, which was caused by the prior Commissioners' actions. Your current Commissioners instituted job descriptions and performance appraisals for all 80+ County employees, something that has not occurred for over 10 years, if ever. With performance appraisals, employees can be rewarded for exceptional work, rather than the across the board raises that prior Commissioners approved. A new employee manual has been adopted, something again neglected by prior administrations. Additionally, to better serve the public, all County offices that deal directly with the public are staying open until 5pm. Previously, the County offices closed at 4pm. This was done with no employees working more hours (staggered work shifts cover the change).  
I personally oversaw the completion of the Wetmore Community Center. This project was supposedly close to being completed when I took over, but still took another 6 months to complete due to unexpected problems. Feel free to ask what they were. With a cost of over \$830,000 dollars to upgrade this one building, I seriously question whether such an exorbitant fee could have been scaled down significantly and used to upgrade the Veterans Services Office, Jail, replace road and bridge equipment or repair other County buildings in desperate need of repairs; a gross mismanagement of tax dollars.  
The job has just begun. I urge you to retain the Commissioners to continue to handle the neglected issues in the County.

Recall Question  
Should Jay D. Printz, County Commissioner District 2, be recalled from office?

- Yes
- No

**District 2 Successor Candidates  
(Vote for One)**

- Sandra K. Attebery
- Write-in

**Recall County Commissioner District 3**

Statement of Grounds for the Recall of County Commissioner District 3 Donna L. Hood Robert (Bob) Kattnig, Donna L. Hood and Jay D. Printz (They), have violated their oath of office to uphold the Colorado Constitution per C.R.S. Titles 24 and 30: They continue to hold closed door, executive sessions and/or secret meetings wherein county issues are discussed and policy decisions made, which are not accessible to the public. BY LAW, County Commissioners CANNOT make decisions in these executive sessions. Our Commissioners always emerge from these meetings publicly stating that no decisions were made. However, in other meetings, they reference decisions/actions made that WERE NOT made in open meetings. These ACTIONS ARE IN VIOLATION of C.R.S. Sections 24-6-401, 24-6-402 and 30-10-302. Other issues: (1) CSU Extension Program: They: a. forced the removal of our award winning County Extension Agent, Robin Young; b. lost our State Mandated Weed Program, critical for our ranching and community areas; c. severed our long and productive relationship with CSU; and d. jeopardized our 4H programs at a critical time before competition at the County Fair. (2) Disrespect for Citizens and Employees: They: a. harass them with emotional outbursts of anger; b. lack transparency; c. lack truthfulness; and d. lost trust of citizens.

Donna L. Hood County Commissioner District 3 Statement "I'm listening, leading, acting and getting results. I take pride in my ability to listen to constituents addressing the issues as they arise and being a voice for all county citizens." In my short eight months of service:  
1) I'm using my 36 years of experience as CFO. Policies, procedures and job descriptions have been updated which had not been done in seven years. Rather than across the board salary increases issued in the past, goal setting and evaluations are now in effect to aid in budget and salary increases for the future.  
2) First time in recorded history, a budget workshop for elected officials was conducted on July 7, 2017. The training resulted in a documentation stream by which departments will submit budgets, aligned with the need for strategic planning and with an emphasis on the need for elected officials to work together.  
3) In the interest of transparency, I have worked with the local newspaper to add the Commissioner's Corner and honored a request to provide an audio link of all BOCC meetings on the county website providing the ability for citizens to be informed. I am keeping my platform promise for all BOCC meetings to be video streamed by the end of the year.  
4) In being a responsible senior elected official, I am collaborating with Custer County Economic Development Corporation. We are working towards expanding broadband internet and cell service, to better the quality of life for all citizens, while reinforcing the existing county infrastructure.  
5) With no transition from the former commissioners, we expedited the completion of the Wetmore Community Center. Construction problems and deadlines overlooked by the former administration, caused cost overruns and delays. We were able to pull the extra funding needed in spite of the inherent obstacles that had not been addressed.

Recall Question  
Should Donna L. Hood, County Commissioner District 3, be recalled from office?

- Yes
- No

**District 3 Successor Candidates  
(Vote for One)**

- Christoper L. (Kit) Shy
- Tommy G. Flower
- John G. Johnston
- Write-in

**Sample Ballot**

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