

Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associate Members

CODE OF ETHICS POLICY

Custer County Government has adopted a Code of Ethics for the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associate members to assure public confidence in the integrity of local government and its effective and fair operation.

PREAMBLE:

The citizens of unincorporated Custer County are entitled to have fair, ethical and accountable local government which has earned the public's full confidence for integrity. In keeping Custer County Government's commitment to excellence, the effective function of democratic government therefore requires that:

- Public officials, both elected and appointed, comply with both the letter and spirit of the laws and policies affecting the operations of government;
- Public officials be independent, impartial and fair in their judgment and actions;
- Public office be used for the public good, not for personal gain; and
- Public deliberations and processes be conducted openly, unless legally confidential, in an atmosphere of respect and civility.

To this end the Custer County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Code of Ethics for members of the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associates to assure public confidence in the integrity of local government of respect and civility.

CODE OF ETHICS:

1. **Act in the Public Interest** – Recognizing that stewardship of the public interest must be their primary concern, the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associates will work for the common good of the people of the county and not for any private or personal interest and they will assure fair and equal treatment of all persons, claims and transactions coming before members of the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associates.
2. **Comply with the Law** – The members of the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associates shall comply with the laws of the nation, the State of Colorado and Custer County Government in the performance of their public duties. These laws include, but are not limited to the constitutions of the United States and Colorado as well as the Custer County Zoning Resolution.
3. **Conduct of Boards** – The professional and personal conduct of the members of the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associates must be above reproach and avoid even the appearance of impropriety. The members of the Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Adjustment and Associates shall refrain from abusive conduct, personal charges or verbal attacks upon the character or motives of other board members, the staff or the public.