LPCO State Board Meeting Agenda
Monday, September 14, 2026
7:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Note: If you have input or comments about an agenda item, please contact your representative on the board to relay your concerns or opinions prior to the meeting.

1. Call to order
2. Roll call and quorum
3. Approval of agenda
4. Recognition of 2026 candidates present
5. Approval of July board meeting minutes
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Unfinished Business
    a. TRACER filing delinquencies by the Denver County affiliate and the Douglas County affiliate.
8. New Business
    a. Accept Clear Creek County affiliate application (Jeff Orrok)
    b. Endorse RCV and mulit-winner RCV by proportional representation for Longmont ballot initiative (Keith Laube)
    c. Discussion about member impulsive behaviors and not following the chain of command (Keith Laube)
    d. Action Item: Social media approval workflow (Doug Jones)
    e. Report for Board Discussion or Action item, Guidance and Empowerment for Committees (Jeff Orrok)
9. Board Announcements
10. Member Announcements
11. Member Comments Period – This is the time for members to present issues of concern or interest to the board. Each member will be given a maximum of 3 minutes. Personal attacks and the use of profanity or ethnic, racial, or gender-oriented slurs are prohibited. If a member disregards these rules, they will be asked to leave the meeting room or muted, if online. After the member comment period, the board members will have the opportunity, at their discretion, to respond to any

misinformation or clarify statements made during the member comment period the member comment period.

12. Adjourn

Vice Chair’s Monthly Report

Date: 09/10/2026 Name: Doug Jones

Leadership Training Activities

None

Succession Planning and Continuity Binder Activities

None

Affiliate Compliance

No activity.

Other Activities and Issues

Newsletter. Printed and distributed newsletters for August to members of the 1776 Club. There are 20 members of the 1776 club (+1). Median age of members is 68. Total monthly contributions $685.75 (annualized $8,229). Average contribution $34.29.

Member Contact. Knocked on doors of registered Libertarians in HD15, including some in precincts overlapping with Janet Turner’s SD11 campaign. Left door hangers and campaign postcard. Completed 33 of 41 precincts (80%), including 590 of 763 (77%) registered Libertarians in the House District. Placed 62 yard signs. Gained 3 campaign contributions. Mailed thank you notes to all 62 who hosted a yard sign and/or contributed.

Canvassing for Chris Hardman. Spent a day canvassing in the area of Idaho Springs.

Date	Affiliate/Development Group	Comments

Chair's Monthly Report

Date: September 14, 2026

Media Interviews

Date	Media	Link
8/17	Denver Post	Seth Klamann interview
9/2	Colorado Sun	Colleen Slevin interview https://coloradosun.com/2026/09/04/colorado-judge-allows-libertarian-party-pick-secretary-of-state-candidate/

Activities and Issues

8/18 Attended ACE online canvassing training
8/19 Attended ACE (Alliance for Competitive Elections) online meeting.
8/25 Attended a zoom meeting to save TABOR against proposed ballot initiatives.
8/28 Did canvassing in HD15 for the Doug Jones campaign.
8/29 Walked in the Colorado State Fair Parade with the Don Vermillion HD62 campaign.
8/30 Sent press release regarding the unfair election law for minor political parties filling candidate vacancies.
9/2 Sent email to membership regarding LPCO filing a court petition to get Sean Vadney on the November ballot.
9/3 Sent press release about LPCO taking legal action in court to get a candidate on the ballot.
9/4 Sent press release about court ordering Libertarian candidate to be placed on the ballot.
9/8 Sent email to membership about LPCO court win ordering Libertarian Secretary of State candidate to be on the ballot and announced upcoming party and candidate activities.
To date, I have reached out to 194 of the 223 registered Libertarians in Montrose County and 67 of the 92 registered Libertarians in Gunnison County, distributing door hangers with the Libertarian Candidate Guide for the November ballot and QR codes for people to become LPCO sustaining members and join the 1776 Club. In total, I attempted to reach out to 261 Libertarians. 14% (36) homes could not be accessed due to secure senior living, a gated driveway, dogs running free in the yard, or could not find the address. <u>Statistics from the 225 registered Libertarian doors I knocked on:</u> 88% (197) of homes I was able to deliver an Election Guide door hanger. 11% (24 people) had moved and the S.O.S. records were outdated

44% (98 people) answered their door. At 25% (56) of the homes I spoke to the Libertarian.

12% (28 Libertarians) were interested in a County Libertarian group

9% (20 Libertarians) provided a new email address.

I found that Monday through Thursday evening from 6 pm to dusk was the best time for people to be home and answer their door. Saturday afternoons had a moderate response.

Secretary Report for September 2026- Submitted by Robin Early

Calendar Items (Next 60 Days)

Date Due	Description	Assigned To
October 12	LPCO Board Meeting	LPCO Board
November 3	Election Day	LPCO Board
November 9	LPCO Board Meeting	LPCO Board

Actions:

Sent thank you and check to Independence Institute in August.

Minutes for monthly board meeting on August 10th.

Minutes for Special board meeting on August 13th.

Minutes for Special board meeting on August 29th.

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF COLORADO
September 2026
OUTREACH DIRECTOR REPORT

Outreach Director Activities

LPCO reserved vendor tables at Tanner Gun Shows: October Colorado Springs, and November Castle Rock. Affiliates in El Paso County and Douglas County are expected to share the expense with LPCO as well as man the tables.

Purchased ¾” colored dot stickers for use on Quiz poster at outreach events.

On August 29th, participated in the Colorado State Fair Parade on behalf of the campaign of Don Vermillion.

Requested reimbursement from Treasurer for the following expenses over three months:

> $29.51 Sterilite file boxes from Walmart (same as boxes already in use)
>
> $25.86 Quiz Posters and Tip Cards from Advocates for Self-Government
>
> $58.40 Poster Easel and Frames from Hobby Lobby
>
> $20.55 Dot Stickers from Office Depot
>
> $134.32 July-September Total

On September 18th, I will be collecting outreach materials from the trailer the day before the Grand Lake Constitution Week booth event. James Ellis, a Grand Lake Libertarian, offered to organize some volunteers to man the LPCO table. All volunteers are welcome to help at the 9/19/2026 table in Grand Lake.

Respectfully submitted,

John Hjersman, Outreach Director

Campaigns Director Report for September 2026

Campaigns Department Divisions & Directors:

1) Partisan Campaigns: Vacant
2) County Campaigns: Vacant
3) Municipal Campaigns: Jacob Luria
4) Vacant Offices: Norm Olsen
5) Elected/Appointed Officeholder Support: Vacant
6) Issue campaigns: Brandon Wark

Partisan Campaigns Report:

The Secretary of State released the "Certified Candidates List" for the 2026 General Election. It is now official; there will be 34 Libertarian state candidates appearing on the November ballots (plus 4 county candidates).

I believe that it is important to note that there are 12 races this year that are **UNCONTESTED**! TWELVE! This is in my opinion, a black stain in a land that calls itself a democracy! Uncontested races belong in places like North Korea, NOT the U.S.A.!

It is equally important to note that that number would rise to 15 if it were not for Libertarians Jeff Wilson (HD #7), Ross Metler (HD #23), and Ame Lunde (HD #56) who are in two-way races. If not for these Libertarians, voters would have NO CHOICE in those races come November.

It is also important to note that Alex Astley, who became the candidate for Secretary of State after winning the state-wide Libertarian Primary against Sean Vadney, withdrew from the race 69 days before the election. The state law states that candidates must withdraw 70 days or more in order for a minor party to replace the candidate (the law is far more lenient for the Democrats and Republicans - no surprise there). The LPCO Vacancy Board quickly moved to nominate Sean Vadney (who won the nomination at the spring state convention), and I accompanied Sean to personally hand-deliver the paperwork to the Secretary of State's office by the deadline for the party to file. As expected, the SOS denied the filing given Mr. Astley's decision to wait until AFTER the 70th day to withdraw from the race. The Board then met and unanimously agreed to retain Nicholas Sarwark (attorney) as council to sue the SOS to place Sean on the ballot. The judge ruled in our favor, and as a result of everyone working together, we now have a Secretary of State candidate on the ballot!

This means that we have all but two of the twenty "top-of-the-ticket" races (we had no qualified Libertarian to contest Attorney General, and we were unaware that the State Board of Education (Dist #3) race was up for election this year, lest we would have found a candidate for that race). Regardless, each and every voter will have no less than SIX Libertarian candidates that they can vote for, and depending on the district, some voters will be able to vote for as many as TEN!!!

And so, from the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU to each and every one of our candidates. We would not be a political party without you!

(please note that I do not have the county Clerks' candidate ballot certification lists as of this writing to verify our county candidates, but we have four announced candidates running in three counties)

Non-Partisan Campaigns Report: Jacob Luria, has informed me that the list of candidates for the Spring 2027 election is now at a likely four candidates and he is continuing to discuss with and try to recruit libertarians to run next spring

Vacant Offices: Nothing to report

Elected/Appointed Officer Support Report: Nothing to report, The division directorship remains vacant

Issue Campaigns Report: Nothing to report. However, with multiple issues on the statewide ballot, as well as issues at the county level, expect to see more from this division in the coming months.

As of this writing I still do not have a Division Director (or team) for the "Candidate and elected Official Support" Division, and in that void, our Non-Partisan Campaigns Division Director, Jacob Lauria has been hard at work on several campaigns AND has made the time to create websites for our 'ecucational' candidates. Those websites have been listed on the LPCO website under "Meet our candidates." A hearty "Thank You!" to Jacob for his hard work.

As always, I am seeking volunteers. I have three vacant Division Director positions available to the right people, as well as numerous volunteer positions available. Please help spread the word that this department, on the front lines of what makes a political party a political party, is in need of dedicated and talented people.

Lastly, it is my hope that we will change the LPCO bylaws to increase the eligibility of Libertarians to run for office with the goal of a "FULL SLATE IN TWENTY-EIGHT!!!!"

Yours in liberty,

Joe Johnson
Campaigns Director
Libertarian Party of Colorado

Fundraising board report:

We have finalized the time period for the convention of 2027. We are now on a search for a venue.

Thank you notes should be going into the mail by the end of this month.

I have nothing else to report at this time.

BetteRose Ryan

Libertarian Party of Colorado

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR REPORT

Jeffory A. Orrok ✵ September 2026

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Sorry, no time for stats this month :-(

BYLAWS MANDATED MEMBERSHIP DUTIES

Membership Education

No activity

Activist Recruitment

No activity

Activist Training

No activity.

Internal Newsletter

No activity.

Membership Recordkeeping

No activity.

National Party Member Recruitment

No activity.

BYLAWS MANDATED GENERAL DUTIES

Monthly Reports

No activity.

Succession Report

No activity

Ex-Officio Powers Report

No activity

Affiliate Meeting Attendance

No activity

State Chair Assigned Duties (per BYL VII.3(l))

Addressing Sustaining Membership Issues

No activity.

LPStates Requested User Audit

I believe this phase of LPStates user migration is completed.

Migrating Recurring Memberships From Anedot To Stripe

No activity.

Initiatives

In Memoriam Tony Ryan - Preparations

I have not been able to assist Bette Rose with preparations for the celebration of life for Ramon Anthony "Tony" Ryan, who passed away July 2nd, but will post an event on the website.

Welcoming New Members

No activity.

Coordination With Outreach

No activity.

Coordination With Affiliates

Received paperwork from Daniel Lutz for chartering Clear Creek – see separate action item.

We barely managed to get five Denver Libertarians to attend their annual meeting; I have a sign-in sheet and need to get a copy of the meeting minutes and their current bylaws.

Awaiting further developments in the Denver and Douglas TRACER delinquencies, so I recommend the motion to censure be further postponed.

Unified Membership Program (UMP)

No activity.

Board SMART Goals

26-001 Membership From 42,000 To 50,000

No activity.

26-003 Grow 1776 Club To 84 Regular Donors

No activity.

26-007 Contact 25% Registered L's At Least Once/year

No activity.

Report for Board Discussion or Action Item
Charter the Clear Creek Affiliate

LPCO Board Meeting date: Sept 14, 2026
Presented by: JAO
Background Information: Daniel Lutz has organized Libertarians in Clear Creek County to form an affiliate and submit a petition for charter; see attached.
Propose: Charter the Libertarian Party of Clear Creek County.
Action: Approve the proposal immediately.
Results: Create another active county affiliate, continue to grow the Party.

LIBERTARIAN
PARTY OF COLORADO

Petition for Charter of a County Affiliate

(ref: LPCO Bylaws, Article V, Section 1)

We, the undersigned, being residents of Clear Creek County and duly registered electors affiliated with the Libertarian Party of Colorado, do hereby petition the State Board of Directors to be chartered as a County Party Affiliate, to be designated the Libertarian Party of Clear Creek County.

We affirm and ratify the Statement of Principles of the National Libertarian Party. We disavow the initiation of force to achieve political or social goals. We promise to uphold the Bylaws of the Libertarian Party of Colorado, adhere to Colorado Campaign Practices, and adhere to any other such laws that may incur liability on the part of the Libertarian Party of Colorado.

We further affirm that we have ratified the attached bylaws for our Affiliate; and will provide the LPCO Board with the names and contact information of current elected Officers, including a designated Affiliate Representative and; and have attached copies of our TRACER registry and initial filings pursuant to the Colorado Fair Campaign Practices Act.

Respectfully submitted this 1ST day of September, 2026.

Signature ______ Affiliate Chairperson — Printed Name: Chester A. Ptak

Signature ______ Affiliate Treasurer — Printed Name: Daniel Lutz

Signature ______ (Ratifying Member) — Printed Name: Richard Friend

Signature ______ (Ratifying Member) — Printed Name: Christopher Hardman

Signature ______ (Ratifying Member) — Printed Name: Janet Hunter

voter_id	affiliation_date	Last_Name_First	Phone	Email	Residential_Address	Residential_City	Mailing_Address	Mailing_City	Mailing_ZIP
5013760	2009-02-20	Friend, Richard	(303) 567-2440	ricfriends343@gmail.com	1410 SANTA FE MOUNTAIN RD	EVERGREEN			80439
6892758	2000-10-27	Ptak, Chester A. "Judd"	(720) 934-3075	jptak321@mail.com	377 SHERIDAN MOUNTAIN RD	IDAHO SPRINGS	PO Box 806	Idaho Springs	80452
601112747	2025-02-27	Lutz, Daniel	(303) 501-9155	dclutz1775@gmail.com	297 LOCH LOMOND RD	IDAHO SPRINGS			80452
601844189	2018-09-08	Hunter, Janet	need phone	janetmariehunter@gmail.com	296 LOCH LOMOND RD	IDAHO SPRINGS			80452
603300643	2022-09-20	Hardman, Christopher	need phone	christopher.hardman@gmail.com	3201 RIVERSIDE DR APT 112	IDAHO SPRINGS	PO BOX 1066	Idaho Springs	80452

Colorado Secretary of State
ELECTIONS DIVISION
1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 550
DENVER, CO 80290

5/21/2026

LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CLEAR CREEK COUNTY
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Confirmation of Committee Registration Filing

On 5/21/2026, you submitted a registration statement to form a Political Party Committee. Your registration has been processed and accepted by the Colorado Secretary of State.

Your user ID and password will arrive in separate email messages. Your user ID and password will grant you access to the Online Campaign Finance system . With this information you will be able to file disclosure reports and update information about the committee at anytime. The user ID and password are confidential and are intended for use by the registered agent, contact person, or candidate and should be guarded to prevent unauthorized use. Note: The user ID is not case-sensitive. The password/PIN is case-sensitive.

Please review your reporting schedule online for future report due dates.

For your reference, the filing calendars, electronic filing instructions, pertinent laws and rules and other related information may be found on the campaign finance page of the Secretary of State's website at https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/CampaignFinance/home.html.

Please contact CAMPAIGN FINANCE SUPPORT at CPFHELP@SOS.STATE.CO.US or (303) 894-2200 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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REPORT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES

[C.R.S. 1-45-108]

Full Name of Committee/Person:	LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF CLEAR CREEK COUNTY
Address of Committee/Person:	297 LOCH LOMOND RD
City, State & Zip Code:	IDAHO SPRINGS CO 80452
Committee Type:	Political Party Committee
Financial Institution:	EVERGREEN NATIONAL BANK
Financial Institution Address:	2390 COLORADO BLVD IDAHO SPRINGS CO 80452
SOS ID NUMBER:	20265052152
Report Type:	JUNE 9, 2026 - REPORT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Electioneering Communication:	No

PROVISIONAL BYLAWS PROPOSAL

Purpose: The provisional Bylaws will be in effect from the time they are approved to the first Libertarian Party of Clear Creek County Convention which should take place no later than one year after these provisional Bylaws are approved.

BYLAWS

Article I: Name and Affiliation

(a) The name of the political party shall be the Libertarian Party of Clear Creek County, hereinafter referred to as “the Party.”

(b) The Party shall be an affiliate of the State Libertarian Party which relationship can be severed by the Party only by a 3/4 vote of all registered delegates at a regular county convention. Notice of this action must be included in the call to convention.

(c) The Party can only be dissolved by a 7/8 vote of all registered delegates at a regular county convention. Notice of this action must be included in the call to convention.

Article II: Purposes

The purpose of the Party under these provisional Bylaws is to:

- Grow county Party membership
- Stand up a Bylaws committee to recommend permanent Bylaws at the first regular convention
- Establish a permanent meeting location and time for monthly business meetings

Article III: Principles

The Party shall take no position inconsistent with the Statement of Principles of the National or State Libertarian Party.

Article IV: Members

Section 1. Basic Membership

(a) Basic Membership (“Party Membership”) in the Party is exclusively limited to all Clear Creek County Colorado registered electors whose party affiliation is Libertarian.

(b) Basic Members (“Party Members”) have the right to attend meetings, vote, and are eligible to serve on county-level committees, subject to any further express limitations in these Bylaws.

Article V: County Party Officers

The Officers of the Party shall be the Chair, and Treasurer in that order of rank.

The Officers of the Party shall also be Party Directors.

Article VII: County Party Directors

Section 1. Composition of the Board of Directors

(a) The Board of Directors (“Board”) shall consist of the Party Directors.

(b) There shall be two (2) Party Directors (“Directors”), as follows: Chair, and Treasurer.

(c) The Board shall have control and management of all the affairs, properties, and funds of the Party consistent with these Bylaws and shall meet in the manner specified in these Bylaws and may delegate its authority in any manner it deems necessary. Under the provisional Bylaws any expenditure above $50 shall be brought before the body at the next meeting for ratification. Any expenditure over $500 shall receive prior approval at a regular meeting.

(d) Any Director absent without prior notice from two (2) consecutive regular Board meetings shall be considered to have resigned from the position.

(e) All Director deaths or resignations shall cause their positions to be considered to be vacant. If the Chair resigns, dies, or is suspended, the Treasurer shall be acting Chair until a Chair is appointed, reinstated, or elected, as applicable. Under the provisional Bylaws a vacancy will be filled at the next regular meeting.

Section 2. Director Elections

(a) Only Annual Convention Delegates eligible to vote may run for a Party Director position, and only if they promise to fulfill the requirements of this Article.

(b) Under the Provisional Bylaws the Chair and Treasurer will be elected at the same time with terms to expire at the first regular convention.

Section 3. Director-Specific Duties

(a) The Chair shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Party, holding the powers of administration pertaining to the ordinary business affairs of the Party and such other powers as may be delegated by the Board. Unless otherwise specified in the Party's Bylaws, Special Rules of Order, or resolutions of the Board, the Chair is responsible for appointing the chairs of all committees. The Chair shall call the Convention as specified in these Bylaws. The Chair, or their designee, including other Directors acting within their designated job duties at the direction of the Chair, shall be the person who shall communicate on behalf of the Party. The Chair shall file any amendments to these Bylaws with the Secretary of State within fifteen (15) days after such amendments are adopted.

(b) The Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining accurate records of all income and expenses associated with the operation of the Party. A contributions and expense summary shall be included in the Treasurer monthly Board Report and may be limited to activity since the last regular meeting of the Board. Every contribution and expenditure must be reported to TRACER in a timely manner per the noted reporting due date. Every contribution and expenditure received through any means must be balanced against the financial institution statements and TRACER. The Treasurer's board report shall include a calendar of Secretary of State TRACER report due dates for the previous and next 3 months together with documentation showing that the report was filed. The Treasurer may also prepare budgets for the other Directors or assist them in preparing their own budgets. The Treasurer shall maintain an efficient double-entry system of accounts and cooperate with the Audit Committee in ensuring financial integrity.

(c) Each Director shall be responsible for maintaining documentation within their area, and they shall provide a written report to be passed on to their successor and written monthly reports to the Board. They shall not incur expenses beyond budget without approval of the Board. The Chair may assign additional duties reasonably within the scope of any Director's area of responsibility.

(d) Each Director, except for the Officers, may establish and manage committees (including the appointment of any committee chairs) to assist with their duties.

Article VI: Conventions

Section 1. General Provisions for Conventions

(a) Proxy voting is expressly prohibited.

(b) Only the Annual Convention is to be considered a "regular convention."

(c) Direct notice of any county convention to Sustaining Members is to be provided via first class mail to the address on file with the Secretary of State at least forty-five (45) days prior to the convention.

(d) The time and place of all Party conventions shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county no later than fifteen (15) days before such convention.

(e) No fees may be levied to participate in the Business Session of any convention; however, fees may be required for participation in other convention events.

(f) The first regular convention shall be scheduled no more than three hundred and sixty-five (365) days following the approval of these provisional Bylaws.

Section 2. Annual Conventions

(a) The Board may provide for remote participation in the first Annual Convention if any state or federal edict makes physical conventions unlawful.

(b) A Member, having been so for at least the one hundred and eighty (180) days immediately prior to the Business Session of the first Annual Convention may attend and vote at the Business Session as a "Delegate."

Article VII: Committees

Section 1. County Committees

(a) The Board shall solicit applications for the three (3) members of the Bylaws Committee and set the appointment date for these positions by announcement to all Members no later than sixty (60) days after the approval of these bylaws.

(1) The Committee shall submit their final reports to the Board for publication to the membership no later than six (6) weeks before the Convention. These reports shall be available in their complete form to any Party Member upon request. The Party Chair shall ensure that the committee's reports, and any reports of committee members submitted separately, are presented at the Convention.

(a) Such other committees, standing or special, shall be appointed by the Chair as the Board shall from time to time deem necessary to carry out the work of the Party.

(b) Chairs of committees shall be responsible for completion and submission to the Board of their final reports at Party expense. They shall also be responsible for interim documents for committee use and for scheduling of committee meetings. All committee meetings shall be open to Members, who may request the committees' schedules from their respective Chairs.

Section 2. State Committee Representatives and Alternates

(a) The Chair shall act as representative of the Affiliate to the State Board of Directors unless otherwise delegated by the County Board.

Article VIII: Finances and Accounting

The fiscal year of the Party shall end December 31st. The Board shall designate an Assistant Treasurer to temporarily serve in the event the Treasurer is incapacitated, unavailable, or vacates the position.

Article IX: Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the Party in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws, any Standing Rules, and any Special Rules of Order the Party or the Board of Directors may adopt.

(a) If a new edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised is released more than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the Annual Convention, it shall become the Party's parliamentary authority upon the adjournment of that Annual Convention.

(b) If a new edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised is released less than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the Annual Convention, it shall become the Party's parliamentary authority upon the adjournment of the following year's Annual Convention.

Article X: Amendments

(a) During the first Convention and odd-numbered years, these Bylaws and Convention Standing Rules may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Delegates to the Annual Convention, provided the amendment is included in the annual report or a minority report of the Bylaws Committee, or written notice including the formal language of the amendment and signed by two (2) Members is provided to the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Convention. Such notice shall be posted to the Party's website within two (2) business days of receipt. Additionally, these Bylaws may further be amended by following the provisions for Special Conventions.

(b) During the first Convention and odd-numbered years, the Party may adopt or amend, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Delegates to the Annual Convention, a Platform stating its position on all political issues affecting the state or any constituent entity thereof, provided the amendment is included in the annual report or a minority report of the Platform Committee, or written notice including the formal language of the amendment and signed by two (2) Sustaining Members is provided to the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Convention. Such notice shall be posted to the Party's website within two (2) business days of receipt.

(c) Any Article, Section, or Clause of these Bylaws which requires a vote greater than the proportion in Clause (a) of this Article shall not be amended except by a vote of the greater proportion, and this Section shall not be amended except by a vote of the greatest proportion specified anywhere within these Bylaws.

Article XI: Severability

If any Article, Section, or Clause of these Bylaws is to any extent determined to be invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced, such Article, Section, or Clause shall be excluded only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability; all other Articles, Sections, and Clauses hereof shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of these Bylaws are declared to be severable.

Report for Board Action Item
Longmont Ballot Initiative

LPCO Board Meeting date: September 12, 2026
Presented by: Keith Laube

Background Information: The City of Longmont has two ballot proposals on the November ballot. These proposals are related to how nonpartisan city council members are elected. Currently city council members are elected by winner take all; meaning the candidate who receives the most votes wins. Often there are many candidates in city council elections, and the vote gets split many ways resulting in the winner earning less than 50% of the vote. The question arises: Did the most favorable candidate win?

<u>Charter Amendment 1: Ranked Choice Voting.</u> The first ballot proposal is to implement Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) in city council races. Under single-winner RCV, voters have the opportunity to rank candidates in the order of their preference (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.), and candidates must receive a majority of the vote to win, ensuring the winner has broad support from the electorate.

<u>Charter Amendment 2: Simplified Election Cycles.</u> The second ballot proposal would realign Longmont's election cycles so that all ward council members are elected in one election cycle and all at-large councilmembers are elected in the other. Electing all three at-large council members on the same ballot would allow Longmont to use a multi-winner form of RCV in its elections. Multi-winner RCV acts as a form of proportional representation (PR), meaning that the group of winners chosen is guaranteed to reflect the electorate as a whole. Multi-winner RCV allows for voters of any sizable group (>25% of the vote in a three-winner race) to elect a candidate of choice. Being a nonpartisan race, it is unclear how proportional representation would provide any benefit to a minor political party. Proportional representation voting involves transferring votes which is confusing to explain and understand. The end result may be alienating voters.

Propose: I propose that the LPCO endorses the implementation of Ranked Choice Voting for city council races as described in Charter Amendment 1.

I recommend that the LPCO does not endorse Charter Amendment 2.

Action: The Libertarian Party of Colorado endorses the implementation of Ranked Choice Voting for city council races as described in Charter Amendment 1.

Results: Ranked Choice Voting in nonpartisan city council races provides a better method to electing the most favorable candidate.

Ranked Choice Voting for Longmont

November 2026 Ballot Proposals

Introduction

Longmont City Council placed two ballot proposals on the November 2026 ballot concerning the improvement of its city council elections. Both proposals are amendments to the City Charter, and require a majority of the vote in order to be approved. Longmont City Council consists of seven councilmembers—one mayor elected from the city at-large, three additional councilmembers elected at-large, and three councilmembers elected from one of three districts known as wards. Elections are held in November of odd-numbered years. The mayor is elected at each city election for a two-year term, and all other councilmembers are elected for four-year terms in alternating groups of three. A mix of ward and at-large councilmembers are elected in each election cycle.

Charter Amendment 1: Ranked Choice Voting

The first ballot proposal would implement ranked choice voting (RCV) in future Longmont City Council elections. Under single-winner RCV, voters have the opportunity to rank candidates in the order of their preference (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.), and candidates must receive a majority of the vote to win, ensuring the winner has broad support from the electorate. A voter's vote starts off with their first-ranked preference, and candidates are eliminated and their voters' voters are redistributed to their next highest-ranked preference until a candidate clears the winning threshold. RCV allows voters to support their favorite candidate (knowing their vote can count for a backup choice if their first choice doesn't end up winning) instead of feeling pressure to vote for the least undesirable frontrunner or the **"lesser of two evils"**. RCV has also been found to increase voter turnout and incentivize positive, issue-focused campaigns.

Charter Amendment 2: Simplified Election Cycles

The second ballot proposal would realign Longmont's election cycles so that all ward councilmembers are elected in one election cycle and all at-large councilmembers are elected in the other. Electing all three at-large councilmembers on the same ballot would allow Longmont to use a multi-winner form of RCV in its elections. Multi-winner RCV is identical to the single-winner form from a voter's perspective but acts as a form of **proportional representation (PR)**, meaning that the group of winners chosen is guaranteed to reflect the electorate as a whole. Multi-winner RCV allows for voters of any sizable group (>25% of the vote in a three-winner race) to elect a candidate of choice, and is a preferred voting method for democracy and voting rights experts because of its ability to produce reliably representative governing bodies, maximize the electoral strength of voters of color, and prevent gerrymandering. If Longmont adopted both proposals, it would be the first city to in Colorado to use multi-winner RCV in its elections in over a century and would set a new standard for democratic reform in the state.

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Report for Board Action Item
Social Media Approval Workflow

LPCO Board Meeting: September 14, 2026
Presented by: Doug Jones

Background

In August, shortly after a new social media administrator assumed responsibility for LPCO accounts, several posts appeared on the LPCO X account that praised a former New Hampshire affiliate associated with racist messaging and included reposted memes with racist overtones. The posts were noticed quickly and removed upon request.

Whether these posts were made directly by the administrator or by someone acting with access to the accounts, the incident demonstrates the need for a reliable review process before content is published. Once a post is public, screenshots and reposts can preserve and circulate it indefinitely. Removing content after publication does not fully address the harm it may cause.

Social media management platforms can provide an approval workflow in which contributors submit draft posts for review. A designated, trusted approver reviews each post and, if appropriate, approves and schedules it for publication. This approach allows multiple people to contribute while ensuring that LPCO communications remain consistent with the Party's standards and values.

One platform that offers this type of workflow is Planable.

Proposed Workflow

1. The designated approver recruits and manages a team of contributors.
2. Contributors submit draft posts through the selected platform.
3. The approver reviews, approves, and schedules posts for publication.

The designated approver would be responsible for establishing and overseeing this process, including recruiting contributors, reviewing content, and scheduling approved posts.

Proposed Motion

"I move that the Board appoint a person to oversee the implementation and administration of a social media review-and-approval platform for LPCO social media accounts.

The appointed approver shall establish reasonable rules for social media conduct, including standards for responding to public comments in the Party's name. The approver shall have authority to recruit and manage approved contributors and to establish the workflow for submitting, reviewing, approving, and scheduling posts.

I further move that the Board authorize expenditures of up to $100 per month for a social media approval platform.

I nominate Caryn Ann Harlos to serve as the Social Media Approver."

Implementation Following Approval

1. All individuals with LPCO social media credentials will place those credentials under the control of the Social Media Approver.
2. The approver will select the platform to be used for submitting, reviewing, and approving posts.
3. The approver will coordinate payment for the platform through the Treasurer.
4. The approver will identify and resolve any missing, outdated, or inaccessible account credentials.

Expected Result

This process will substantially reduce the risk of inappropriate, unauthorized, or inconsistent messaging from LPCO social media accounts. The anticipated cost of no more than $100 per month is a modest investment in protecting the Party's public reputation and ensuring responsible communications.

Planable

Our criteria—scheduling, internal approvals, no advanced analytics, no inbox, and keeping Facebook and X workflows separated—**Planable** is the clear winner for your 5-person team.

It strips away the overhead of inboxes and analytics, keeping your costs low while providing a distinct workspace configuration to isolate your platforms.

How to Separate Facebook and X in Planable

Instead of putting Facebook and X into the same bucket, you can create **two separate Workspaces** within your account:

- **Workspace 1:** Dedicated entirely to Facebook drafts, approvals, and scheduling.
- **Workspace 2:** Dedicated entirely to X drafts, approvals, and scheduling.
- This ensures your team works on them independently, preventing cross-posting errors and keeping the review queues entirely isolated.

Estimated Pricing for a Team of 5

Planable charges per workspace, with **unlimited users** included on their paid tiers.

- **The Setup:** 2 Workspaces (1 for Facebook, 1 for X)
- **The Cost:** On their "Basic" plan, this will cost you roughly **$66 (see pricing sheet on the next page) per month total** for your entire 5-person team.

  Note that a $33 package is available if you want the same posts going to both facebook and X. However, given the different audiences and tempertures for the two, I believe we should keep them separate.

Why This Fits Your Workflow

- **Platform Previews:** Your team sees a pixel-perfect mockup of how a post looks on a Facebook feed versus an X timeline before hitting approve.
- **Zero Bloat:** You are not paying for a social inbox, listening tools, or heavy reporting dashboards you do not want.
- **Internal Collaboration:** Teammates can chat, tag each other, and request changes directly alongside the draft post.

Basic

$66 per month

Start with 50 free posts

− 2 + No. of workspaces

- 60 posts/ workspace/ month
- Unlimited users
- 4 social pages/ workspace
- 2 types of approval
- Feed & Calendar views
- 3 campaigns/ workspace
- MCP Connector

Available add-ons

Analytics
($12/workspace/month)

Social inbox
($7.5/workspace/month)

Report for Board Discussion or Action Item
Guidance and Empowerment for Committees

LPCO Board Meeting date: September 14, 2026
Presented by: JAO (with thanks to Daniel Lutz and Mike Seebeck for their assistance)

Background Information: The LPCO Bylaws provides for electronic meetings governed by special rules of order, but we do not seem to have a document with such rules.
Bylaws Article X Paragraph (d) "The Board and its appointed or Party-mandated committees may transact business by electronic communications, as specified by Special Rules of Order."
It has been suggested that without such, none of the electronic meetings the Board has held may be considered legitimate.
While the Board can set rules, committees cannot (per RONR 50:26) and so their hands are tied with respect to meeting electronically until special rules are adopted.
Robert's Rules of Order provides sample rules for several scenarios (RONR 12th ed pp.635-649), one such being so-called "full-featured internet meeting services" (see below); these might serve as the starting point for our own, with some modifications to provide for additional flexibility.
In addition to special rules, the Board, being the parent body of the committees it appoints (including the bylaws-mandated committees), may issue instructions to the committees to address particular cases as they arise (per RONR 50:26).

Proposal: Create a set of special rules for electronic meetings/voting, with additional empowerment to allow committees to be agile. Instruct all committees to make scheduling accommodations for the few remaining weeks of the election cycle. Instruct the bylaws-mandated committees to submit a monthly report to the Board with a list of all items that have been or will be considered or discussed informally and the triage status of the items. Instruct the bylaws-mandated committees to submit to the October Board meeting a proposed schedule of periodic hearings between now and the deadline of their final report (ie six weeks prior to convention).
[FWIW, I was also contemplating some kind of rule allowing committees limited power to create rules, but after reading the concerns listed by Perplexity, I'm holding off on that part for now.]

Action: Adopt the above proposal immediately.

Results: More effective use of committee time, less impedance of productivity.

Sample Rules for Electronic Meetings for Scenario A
["full-featured internet meeting services"]
with proposed amendments by JAO

1. Login information. The Corresponding Secretary shall send by e-mail to every member of the ~~Board~~ BODY (BOARD OR COMMITTEE), at least ~~[time]~~ 24 HOURS before each meeting, the time of the meeting, the URL and codes necessary to connect to the Internet meeting service, and, as an alternative and

backup to the audio connection included within the Internet service, the phone number and access code(s) the member needs to participate aurally by telephone. IF AN ALTERNATIVE, ADDITIONAL, OR BACKUP TEXT/CHAT CHANNEL IS NECESSARY FOR THE CONDUCT OF BUSINESS, THE ACCESS INFORMATION FOR THAT CHANNEL SHALL ALSO BE PROVIDED. The Corresponding Secretary shall also include a copy of, or a link to, these rules.

2. Login time. The Recording Secretary shall schedule Internet meeting service availability to begin at least 15 minutes before the start of each meeting.

3. Signing in and out. Members shall identify themselves as required to sign in to the Internet meeting service, and shall maintain Internet and audio access throughout the meeting whenever present, but shall sign out upon any departure before adjournment.

3.1. MEETING RECORDING AND TRANSCRIPT. THE HOST OF THE MEETING SHALL BEGIN RECORDING THE MEETING PROMPTLY AT THE SCHEDULED TIME FOR THE MEETING SO THAT THE INITIAL QUORUM CALL AND ALL BUSINESS ARE CAPTURED, AND IF TRANSCRIPTION SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE, ENSURE THAT A FAITHFUL TRANSCRIPT IS PRODUCED.

4. Quorum calls. The presence of a quorum shall be established by audible roll call at the beginning of the meeting. Thereafter, the continued presence of a quorum shall be determined by the online list of participating members, unless any member demands a quorum count by audible roll call. Such a demand may be made following any vote for which the announced totals add to less than a quorum.

4.1 IMMEDIATELY UPON ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM, THE CHAIR SHALL VERY BRIEFLY SUMMARIZE THE FUNCTIONALITY ASSOCIATED WITH ASSIGNMENT OF FLOOR, INTERRUPTIONS, MAKING AND DISPLAYING MOTIONS, AND VOTING; AND SHALL REMIND MEMBERS OF THE EXTRA CARE THAT MUST BE TAKEN IN ORDER FOR ONLINE COMMUNICATION TO HAPPEN GRACEFULLY, ESPECIALLY FOR A PUBLIC MEETING.

5. Technical requirements and malfunctions. Each member is responsible for his or her audio and Internet connections; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a member’s individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.

6. Forced disconnections. The chair may cause or direct the disconnection or muting of a member’s connection if it is causing undue interference with the meeting. The chair’s decision to do so, which is subject to an undebatable appeal that can be made by any member, shall be announced during the meeting and recorded in the minutes.

7. Assignment of the floor. To seek recognition by the chair, a member shall ~~… [specifying the exact method appropriate to the Internet meeting service being used]~~ USE THE “RAISE HAND” FEATURE (OR ITS EQUIVALENT) IF AVAILABLE; OTHERWISE USE A SPECIFIC AGREED-UPON ON-SCREEN EMOJI OR POST IN THE CHAT WINDOW OR ALTERNATE TEXT/CHAT CHANNEL. Upon assigning the floor to a member, the chair shall clear the online queue of members who had been seeking recognition. To claim preference in recognition, another member who had been seeking recognition may promptly seek recognition again and post in the chat window, and the chair shall recognize the member for the limited purpose of determining whether that member is entitled to preference in recognition.

8. Interrupting a member. A member who intends to make a motion or request that under the rules may interrupt a speaker shall use ~~[the designated feature]~~ A SPECIFIC AGREED-UPON ON-SCREEN EMOJI OR POST IN THE CHAT WINDOW OR ALTERNATE TEXT/CHAT CHANNEL for so indicating, and shall thereafter wait a reasonable time for the chair’s instructions before attempting to interrupt the speaker by voice.

8.1 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED ABOVE, THE CHAT WINDOW AND ANY ALTERNATE OR ADDITIONAL CHAT/TEXT CHANNELS SHALL BE RESERVED EXCLUSIVELY FOR POINTS OF ORDER AND POINTS OF INFORMATION, AND ON-SCREEN EMOJI SHALL NOT BE USED.

9. Motions submitted in writing. A member intending to make a main motion, to offer an amendment, or to propose instructions to a committee, shall, before or after being recognized, post the motion in writing to the online area designated by the Recording Secretary for this purpose, preceded by the member's ~~name~~ INITIALS and a number corresponding to how many written motions the member has so far posted during the meeting (e.g., "JAO_03:"; "DCL_02:"). Use of the online area designated by the Recording Secretary for this purpose shall be restricted to posting the text of intended motions.

10. Display of motions. The Recording Secretary shall designate an online area exclusively for the display of the immediately pending question and other relevant pending questions (such as the main motion, or the pertinent part of the main motion, when an amendment to it is immediately pending); and, to the extent feasible, the Recording Secretary, or any assistants appointed by him or her for this purpose, shall cause such questions, or any other documents that are currently before the meeting for action or information, to be displayed therein until disposed of.

11. Voting. Votes shall be taken by the ~~anonymous voting~~ POLLING feature of the Internet meeting service, unless a different method is ordered by the Board or required by the rules. When required or ordered, other permissible methods of voting are by electronic roll call IN A CHAT WINDOW/CHANNEL, BY REPLY DURING THE MEETING TO A SPECIALLY DESIGNATED EMAIL MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY, or by audible roll call. The chair's announcement of the voting result shall include the number of members voting on each side of the question and the number, if any, who explicitly respond to acknowledge their presence without casting a vote. Business may also be conducted by unanimous consent.

12. Video display. [For groups using video, but in which the number of participants is too large for all to be displayed simultaneously:] The chair, the Recording Secretary, or their assistants shall cause a video of the chair to be displayed throughout the meeting, and shall also cause display of the video of the member currently recognized to speak or report.

12.1 IF TECHNICAL ISSUES INTERFERE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE RULES, OR IF SOME OTHER FUNCTIONALITY THE SYSTEM PROVIDES MAY HELP EXPEDITE THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS, THESE RULES MAY BE AMENDED FOR THE DURATION OF THE MEETING BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF MEMBERS ABLE TO COMMUNICATE, AND IF SUCH AMENDMENTS ARE DESIRED TO BECOME PERMANENT, THEY SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING FOR APPROVAL BY THE BOARD.