

Minutes of the Custer County Special Commission Meeting, Friday, July 24, 2026

Members present:

Commissioners Mark Hartman, Mike Linde, Michael Busskohl, and Craig Hindle.
Chairman Lintz attended via telephone.

A. Commission Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Adopting of the agenda

1. Amend to approve travel request from Michael Baldwin, Weed & Pest; add Item "E" after Public Comment.
2. Motion to approve Agenda as amended made by Linde; seconded by Busskohl; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

C. RESOLUTION 2026-12 A Resolution Declaring Emergency Fire Conditions and Establishing a Ban On Open Fires Within Custer County.

1. EMS Director, Steve Esser, read Resolution 2026-12 aloud in its entirety. He stated that USFS restrictions will go into place Monday, July 27th and would like Resolution 2026-12 to go into effect to coincide with that date. Esser stated this will allow him time to get messaging out to notify the public, campgrounds, Air B&Bs, Facebook, the Chronicle, Custer Chamber of Commerce, and the Custer County website. He will get information to Legal Counsel Davis for review of official press release. Commission Busskohl noted this amended resolution will allow for the Chairman to rescind the ban when deemed proper.

2. Motion to approve Resolution 2026-12 with the Vice-Chairman's signature with an effective date of 7-27-2026 and if Chairman decides after discussion with the Emergency Manager and other emergency services within the county, he can rescind at the time being made by Busskohl; seconded by Hindle; vote taken, all aye; motion carried. Further discussion was held regarding contacting local television outlets, as well.

D. Public Comment—none.

E. Travel Request

1. Approve Travel Request for Michael Baldwin to attend Ventenata and Medusahead workshop to be held 8-12-2026 in Sheridan, WY at a total cost to Custer County of \$116.10. Motion to approve made by Busskohl; seconded by Linde; vote taken, all aye; motion carried.

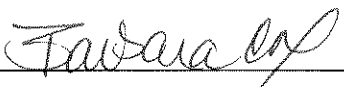
F. Adjourn

1. Motion by Busskohl and seconded by Linde to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 AM. The next meeting will be at 8:00 AM, August 12, 2026 in the Commissioner's Room in the Custer County Courthouse.



Jim Lintz, Chairman



Attest:  _____

Barbara Cox, Custer County Deputy Auditor

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