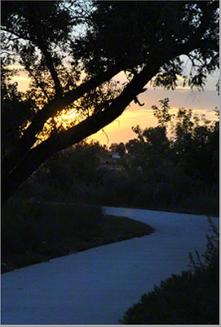


The Weld Charter

Weld County residents were quick to realize the opportunities afforded a county when given an opportunity to write its own charter. Following adoption of a constitutional amendment by the voters of Colorado in 1970, Weld County began drafting its own set of governing rules.



Passage of the charter in 1975 made Weld County the first in the state to adopt its own home rule charter. Since then only one other, Pitkin County, has followed course. Weld County's Home Rule Charter went into effect

on Jan. 1, 1976, seven months before the 100th anniversary of Colorado's statehood.

The charter brings government closer to the residents of Weld County and gives them the authority to manage their own affairs. Changes in the charter are permitted by a majority vote of the residents.

Prominent changes resulting from the charter include:

1. Enlargement of the Board of County Commissioners from three to five.
2. Establishment of a five-member, non-partisan, unpaid Weld County Council.
3. Abolition of the post of county surveyor.
4. Consolidation of the existing 12 departments into five, each to be the responsibility of an elected commissioner.
5. Provision of a full-time county attorney and staff.
6. Expansion of the number of members on citizens boards.
7. Establishment of a county personnel division
8. Provision for enactment of ordinances to establish policy and preference to local bidders if price and quality are competitive.

Weld County 1861

The Board



From left: Commissioners Barbara Kirkmeyer, Mike Freeman, Sean Conway, Steve Moreno and Julie Cozad

The Board meets at 9:00 a.m., each Monday and Wednesday, in the Commissioners' meeting room of the Administration building, 1150 O Street, Greeley.



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Meet the Commissioners

Steve Moreno

At-Large, First Term: 01/01/15 - 12/31/18



Steve Moreno and his family have lived in Greeley for three decades. Prior to serving as County Commissioner, Moreno served three terms as the Weld County Clerk and Recorder, from 2003, 2006 and 2010. Moreno actively serves on several executive boards and committees within the community.

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Sean Conway

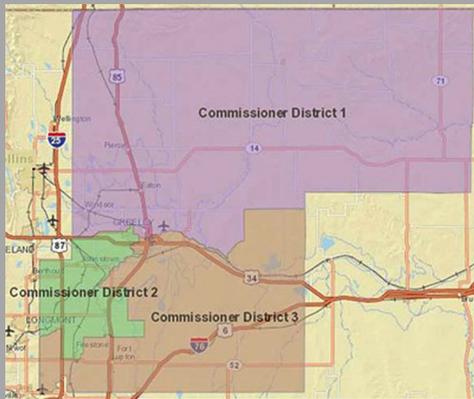
At-Large, Second Term: 01/01/13 - 12/31/16



Sean Conway is a third generation Coloradan who grew up on a ranch in the Rocky Mountains. Conway and his family have made Weld County their home for more than two decades. Following re-election in 2012, Conway is currently serving his second term as Weld County Commissioner At-Large. Prior to serving as County Commissioner, Conway worked as Colorado Senator Wayne Allard's Chief of Staff.

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Districts



Mike Freeman —Pro Tem

District 1, First Term: 01/01/13 - 12/31/16



Mike Freeman is a lifetime resident of Weld County. After graduating from Colorado State University in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Ag Business, he returned to the family farm west of Ault where he continued farming and ranching. In 2001, he and his wife started their company J9 Crop Insurance Agency. Freeman was elected as Weld County Commissioner in 2012 and represents District 1.

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Julie Cozad

District 2, First Term: 01/01/15 - 12/31/2018



Julie Cozad worked as a Land Use Planner for almost 20 years, in both the public and private sectors. She has worked for the Weld County Planning Department, Hall-Irwin and Tetra Tech. Cozad served as Mayor Pro Tem for the town on Milliken as well as represented Milliken on many different boards. Cozad and her husband enjoy riding their motorcycles, gardening, hiking, camping and spending time with their families.

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Barbara Kirkmeyer — Chair

District 3, Second Term: 01/01/13 - 12/31/16



Barbara Kirkmeyer, a fourth generation Coloradan, has spent the past 20 years working for her community and for Weld County. Kirkmeyer was first elected as County Commissioner for District 3 in 1993 and served 8 years (1993 - 2001) in that role before leaving to manage a state-level department. She returned to county government in 2008 when she was elected again as Commissioner for District 3. She is currently serving her second term.

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Commissioner Responsibilities

- As a board, the commissioners are required to establish a budget, levy taxes, appropriate funds for county business, establish fees and licenses, purchase or acquire, own, sell, lease, trade, and deal in real and personal property in the name of the county, receive gifts and grants for the county, and approve and execute contracts and lawsuits in the name of the county.
- The board is required to sit as a Board of Appeals to hear complaints on actions taken by county boards, commissions and departments, as a Board of Equalization to hear appeals on tax assessments, as a County Board of Welfare, and to make appointments to fill vacancies in all county offices except the Board of Commissioners and the County Council.
- Each commissioner acts as a liaison between a department and rest of the Board. These commissioner coordinator responsibilities rotate each year.
- A chairman is designated by the Board of the County Commissioners each year and serves as coordinator for the finance and administration department.