

Sharon Cate

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, March 9, 2022 6:31 AM
To: Sharon Cate
Subject: Planning Commission Recommendation for 2nd Alternate Vacancy
Importance: High

Good morning, Sharon.

Last evening the PC interviewed both applicants. The recommendation was split 5 Ychs to 1 neither with repost of the Vancy. With the majority of 5, The Planning Commission recommends to the BoCC that they consider appointing Bill Thibedeau to the 2nd Alternate position with the term expiring 12/31/2024.

Bill Thibedeau has been a long-time resident of Gilpin County. He owns 44 acres in Midcounty that he has managed under the CSFS Forest Agriculture program for over 25 years. He built his home here in Gilpin based on environmental principles of alternative energy sources. He taught school in the BVSD, retiring from a teaching position in Nederland.

As a teacher and a coach, Bill understands the need to encourage and support consensus among PC members and the public. As a large parcel owner, he will bring insight on the needs and preferences of these residents of Gilpin.

Thank you,
Laura Jeney
Chair
Gilpin County Planning Commission

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 12:04 PM
To: Sharon Cate
Subject: Applying to join the Planning Commission

Hi Sharon,

If there is still a vacancy on the Gilpin County Planning Commission, I would like to formally apply to fill that role! I feel blessed to call Rollinsville and Gilpin my home, and have set down roots here for the long-haul.

It would be an honor and a privilege to partake in these higher-level planning discussions to ensure that the future of Gilpin is positive. I'm highly motivated to make an impact on my local community, and believe that getting involved in local governance is a great way to do so. I believe that my experience and passion for sustainable community development have set me up well to be a great part of this planning commission.

Some of my qualifications include the following:

- B.S. in Environmental Science from the University of Vermont, with a focus in Ecological Design and Water Resources
- I'm a certified Permaculture designer through the Central Rocky Mountain Permaculture Institute
- I have spent many years studying and participating in community building and community development projects
- I have spent many years studying climate change, the impact it will have on communities, and the tools necessary to make those communities more resilient to said changes
- I'm director of a nonprofit organization committed to strengthening communities through a holistic approach that incorporates land tenure, agriculture, natural building and ecological economic systems.
- I'm an entrepreneur, CEO of my own business I started in 2016 and continue to run today.

I'd be more than happy to provide further information for your consideration, or to introduce myself to the rest of the planning commission via video call whenever the next meeting takes place.

Thanks for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

All the best,

Alex Corren

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Subject: FW: application for alternate position on G C Planning Commission

From: Bill Thibedeau

Sent: Thursday, February 3, 2022 9:51 AM

To: Sharon Cate <scate@gilpincounty.org>

Subject: Re: application for alternate position on G C Planning Commission

Hi Ms. Cate,

I am interested in applying for the alternate position on the GC Planning Commission. I have lived in the area since 1983. I taught at Ned High for 10 years. We built a passive solar home in Gilpin County in 2008 and have been living here ever since. We have installed both photovoltaic cells for power as well as a solar thermal system for heat. We may have the most efficient home in the whole area. In addition, we have been thinning our land as part of the Colo Forest Svc Forst/Ag program since 1996. We have thinned our quota of acreage each year and have been inspected accordingly. We have planted over 800 trees and shrubs in the ensuing years. We believe in healthy forests.

Please accept my application for this open position

Thank you

Bill Thibedeau