

**Teller County Board of Review  
May 2, 2018  
Meeting Minutes**

**I. Convene.** Chairman Bert West called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**A. Roll Call.** Those answering roll call were:

Steve McCann  
Dave Dernbach\*  
Jared Bischoff, Vice-Chairman\*  
Bert West, Chairman\*

\*Voting members for today's meeting

Staff: Terry Brunette, Building Official  
Lynda Morgan, Director, Community Development Services, Board Secretary  
Paul Hurcomb, County Attorney  
Roger Campbell, Plans Examiner

Bert West stated that the Board of Review meetings are public and anyone wishing to speak must first address the Chairman.

**B. Review and Approve Minutes from the April 4, 2018 Meeting**

Jared Bischoff moved to approve the April 4, 2018 meeting minutes with changes as noted regarding Bracken Construction, LLC on page 4. Dave Dernbach seconded.

Roll call vote:  
Dave Dernbach – yes  
Jared Bischoff – yes  
Bert West – yes  
The motion carried.

**II. Contractor Licenses**

**A. Thorne Builders LLC / Randy J. Thorne / Class C License**

Mr. Thorne was present and gave an overview of his building experience and recent work history, which included but was not limited to the following:

- Mr. Thorne stated he began construction work while in the ninth grade as a laborer for his father's business.
- After working with his father out of high school, he went back to school and received a degree in architecture.
- In 1982, Mr. Thorne started a firm in Colorado Springs call RTA Architects.

- Mr. Thorne was the project architect and construction manager for school and hospital projects comprising 2.5 billion dollars' worth of work.
- Mr. Thorne stated that he is licensed as a general contractor in El Paso County.
- Purpose for license is to contract and build an approx. \$750,000.00 home and barn in Teller County.

There was further discussion between the applicant and the Board. The Board reviewed the submitted packet and asked Mr. Thorne clarifying questions.

Bert West opened this matter up for public comment. No public comment. Close public comment.

Dave Dernbach moved to grant Thorn Builders LLC, with Randy J. Thorne as examinee, a Class C license. Jared Bischoff seconded.

Roll call vote:

Dave Dernbach – yes

Jared Bischoff – yes

Bert West – yes

The motion carried.

**B. Earth's Creation Landscaping Inc. Class C license 28355 / 1 Project only, to full C status**

Mr. Custer was present and gave an overview of the one project that was previously approved by the Board as follows:

- Mr. Custer discussed the successful completion of his first project in Teller County.
- The Building Official, Terry Brunette, discusses the inspections on the project as noted in the inspection history of the project included in the Board packets.
- Mr. Custer described the log grading process for the homes he builds.
- Mr. Custer stated that he had another log home in plan review in Teller County and anticipated construction of a third home for this year.

There was a brief discussion between the applicant and the Board. The Board reviewed the submitted packet and asked Mr. Custer clarifying questions.

Paul Hurcomb stated that the company's corporate records are in order with the Secretary of State.

Bert West asked that the record reflect that there was no public present to make public comment. Opened for public comment and closed.

Jared Bischoff moved to grant a full C license to Earth's Creations Landscaping Inc. License # 28355. Dave Dernbach seconded.

Roll call vote:  
Dave Dernbach – yes  
Jared Bischoff – yes  
Bert West – yes  
The motion carried.

### **III. Board Discussion**

#### **A. Consider and recommend to the Teller County Board of Commissioners an increase to the building permit fees.**

Bert West stated that the increase in building permit fees was discussed at the April 4 meeting.

Bert West opened this matter up for public comment. No public comment. Close Public comment.

Steve McCann expressed that he felt the individual trade permit fees with respect to electrical, are too low and that revision to the pricing structure should be reviewed.

There was further discussion between the Board and the staff with regards to a fee valuation process. Lynda Morgan asked Steve McCann to make some suggestions in writing for review.

Dave Dernbach moved to recommend to the Teller County Board of County Commissioners an increase in the residential building permit fees. Jared Bischoff seconded.

Roll call vote:  
Dave Dernbach – yes  
Jared Bischoff – yes  
Bert West – yes  
The motion carried.

### **IV. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mr. West adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.