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**LaPlata Liberty Coalition Appoints Adopts Formal Mission Statement and Objectives**

**La Plata County, Colorado**—The LaPlata Liberty Coalition Board (LLC) Monday night adopted a formal mission statement and six primary organizational objectives.

Our mission statement is “ *Citizens Acting on Issues*”.

Our objectives are:

1. Involve our citizens in issues that affect them and the future of La Plata County.
2. Maintain the diverse character of La Plata for future generations.
3. Protect our property rights and personal freedoms.
4. Work cooperatively with County government to help achieve what is best for our citizens.
5. Work to be certain that La Plata County taxes are as low as is reasonable.
6. Insure that County regulations are not unduly burdensome or costly.

It is the intention of the LLC to have a diverse Board which represents each of the 12 planning districts and a variety of backgrounds and experience. The following new members were elected to the LLC Board.

**Lew Webb**, who with his wife Laura, has resided in La Plata County for 18 years, where they own and manage the Retreat at Thunder Ridge. After a very successful business career in the automotive and heavy equipment business, he moved to La Plata County. Lew brings significant business and strategic planning skills to the LLC Board. He lives in the Florida Mesa district.

**Dave Peters**, worked in international oil and gas operations for 17 years. After retiring in 2008 he moved from Thailand to Durango. During his time with Chevron in Thailand he became involved in social responsibility programs, helping communities in South East Asia. This has become a lifelong passion of his. Dave has been the Treasurer and Director of the Durango Lion’s Club, a member of the La Plata County Ethics Watch Organization and serves on the Board of the non-profit Shanta Foundation. He lives in the Durango district.

**Amber Pedigo** was born and raised in La Plata County. She owned her own business in Durango for 4 years. Her family owned a tire store in Durango for more than 30 years. Amber directed the Snowdown Follies for 7 years as a volunteer and has been actively involved in local political issues for the last decade. Amber works at Southwest Ag and is currently in charge of LLC Member Communications. She lives in the Bayfield district.