



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
January 4, 2022**

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Greg Mikolai with Trustees present: Jamie Sommerville, Bill Carlson, Nicole Maxwell, and Mayor Pro-Tem Thea Chase. Absent were Trustees Susan L’Hommedieu and Ellen Turner. A quorum was declared. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Attorney Jim Neu, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, Community Development (CD) Director Brian Rusche, Finance Director Travis Boyd, and Town Engineer Bret Guillory with J-U-B Engineers.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

*Motion #1* by Trustee Sommerville, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was requested  
Motion carried unanimously

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None was offered.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Highway 6 Construction Bid Award**

Town Manager Hawkinson explained the contract bid process, Finance Director Travis Boyd clarified the finances involved, and Town Engineer Bret Guillory recommended an approval contingency with regard to the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT).

*Motion #2* by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Maxwell to award the Highway 6 construction contract to United Companies, contingent upon CDOT’s concurrence to issue notice to proceed.

A roll call vote was requested.  
**Yes:** Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Somerville, Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, Trustee Carlson, Trustee Maxwell  
**No:**  
**Absent:** Trustee Turner, Trustee L’Hommedieu

Motion carried.

**Demolition Contract for the Old Palisade High School Located at 341 W 7th Street**

Town Engineer Guillory announced that through the RFP process, the Town received one bid for the project. His team checked the bidder’s references and found that they had no concerns with their ability to complete the project.

*Motion #3* by Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, seconded by Trustee Carlson to direct the Town Manager to enter into a contract with DC Contracting for the demolition of the old high school in the amount of \$842,300.00.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Trustee Somerville, Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, Trustee Carlson, Trustee Maxwell, Mayor Mikolai

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Turner, Trustee L'Hommedieu

Motion carried.

### *Contract for Clinic Architect*

Town Manager Hawkinson described the Request for Qualification (RFQ) process the Town implemented to choose an architect to design the clinic. Town Attorney Jim Neu explained his concerns about timing, funding and the proposed contract.

*Motion #4* by Trustee Maxwell, seconded by Trustee Somerville to direct the Town Manager to enter into a contract with MOA Architects for \$294,000 to design the clinic (not including hourly services), but to delay the notice to proceed until the funding is secured with the approval of the MOU with Mesa County for \$1.5 million and the lease agreement is negotiated and finalized with Community Hospital and upon Direction from the Board.

A roll call vote was requested.

**Yes:** Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, Trustee Carlson, Trustee Maxwell, Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Somerville

**No:**

**Absent:** Trustee Turner, Trustee L'Hommedieu

Motion carried.

### *Cameo Lease Agreement*

Mayor Mikolai explained that Colorado Parks and Wildlife requested moving up the timeline to end the lease agreement and let CPW take possession of the property in order to help them make desired improvements in a more timely manner. The mayor clarified that this process requires a State of Colorado legislative decision due to the DOLA grant funding involved and asked the Board for approval to move forward in sending a letter to Representative Matt Soper supporting the request.

***The consensus of the Board is to send the letter of support to Representative Matt Soper.***

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion #7* by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Maxwell to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 pm.

A voice vote was requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Greg Mikolai  
Mayor

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Keli Frasier  
Town Clerk

