



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 9, 2024**

The regular 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: Thea Chase, Bill Carlson, Jamie Somerville, Nicole Maxwell, Stan Harbaugh, and Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, Finance Director Gregg Mueller, and Public Works Director Dave Gray.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Motion #1 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was requested.
Motion carried unanimously.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Janet Hawkinson reviewed the proposed annexation of the area North of Palisade, which includes the Cameo Sport Shooting Complex and, possibly the gas station and farm stand to the east of I-70. Town Manager Hawkinson also stated that the Town is working to annex the Town of Palisade Watershed in order to give the Palisade Police Department more authority to patrol the area.

Town Manager Hawkinson went on to review the upcoming 2024 projects that were listed in the Town Manager Report included in the packet.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda is intended to allow the Board to spend its time on more complex items. These items are generally perceived as non-controversial and can be approved by a single motion. The public or the Board members may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

- **Expenditures**
Approval of Bills from Various Town Funds –December 8, 2023 – January 4, 2024
- **Minutes**
Minutes from the December 12, 2023, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting
- **Resolution 2024-01** – formalizing a lease agreement with The Palisade Picnic Company for the use of a downtown parklet.

Motion #2 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Chase, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent:

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2024-02 - Supporting the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for a Roundabout at Elberta Avenue and Highway 6

Town Manager Hawkinson reviewed the staff report and added that construction is slated to begin in the fall of 2025.

Board members briefly discussed the proposed plan and that CDOT had listened to their concerns and modified the design. The Board also discussed asking Palisade Art Vision (PAV) to get involved with making recommendations to the Board regarding artwork in the center of the roundabout.

Motion #3 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to approve Resolution 2024-02 supporting the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) constructing a Roundabout at Elberta Avenue and Highway 6.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent:

Motion carried.

Public Works Trucks

Public Works Director Dave Gray reviewed the staff report and asked the Board if they had any questions. None were offered.

Motion #4 by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, seconded by Trustee Chase, to direct the Town Manager to purchase a used truck for the Public Works Sewer Department for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent:

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2024-03 – Support Grant Match for Water Meters

Public Works Director Gray reviewed the staff report and explained the budgeting portion of the proposed grant and project.

Board members asked what the timeframe for the grant looked like and were advised that the grant is due in January and that results should be announced in June.

Motion #5 by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to adopt Resolution 2024-03 supporting a grant and match funding for new water meters.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent:

Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

2022 Audit by Hinkle & Co, PC

Finance Director Gregg Mueller introduced Jim Hinkle with Hinkle & Co, PC, who performed the 2022 Audit.

Mr. Hinkle reviewed the findings of the 2022 Audit and explained the process and what they had looked for. Mr. Hinkle went on to explain that the 2023 audit will begin in March and is expected to be completed in April.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Trustee Somerville described a positive comment seen on Facebook regarding Palisade Police Officers and thanked the department for their service to the Town.

COMMITTEE REPORTS


No recent committee meetings had occurred for the Trustees to update the Board on.

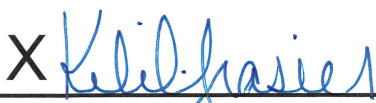
ADJOURNMENT

Motion #6 by Trustee Maxwell, seconded by Trustee Chase, to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 pm.

A voice vote was requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

X 
Greg Mikolai
Mayor

X 
Keli Frasier
Town Clerk

