

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES February 13, 2024

A work session of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade began at 6:00 pm for a presentation from JUB Engineers regarding the Palisade to Clifton sewer transfer. Present were Mayor Greg Mikolai, Trustees Bill Carlson, Jamie Somerville, Nicole Maxwell, Stan Harbaugh, and Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner. Absent was Trustee Thea Chase. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, Finance Director Gregg Mueller, Town Engineer Bret Guillory, and Brad Rodenberg with TRS Corp.

Following the work session, a break was called for public attendees of the work session to ask questions and talk with the Town Engineers about their questions and concerns regarding the sewer project.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Greg Mikolai with Trustees present: Bill Carlson, Jamie Somerville, Nicole Maxwell, Stan Harbaugh, and Mayor Pro-Tem Ellen Turner. Absent was Trustee Thea Chase. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, and Finance Director Gregg Mueller.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Clerk Keli Frasier reviewed the announcements listed on the agenda and advised the Board that Edesia was also on the horizon.

The consensus of the Board is to buy a table for eight for the Edesia Wine Dinner.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Janet Hawkinson reviewed current and upcoming projects led by the Town of Palisade and announced that fiber work will be conducted at Town Hall on Friday, February 23, 2024, which will have the office shut down for a few hours.

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 – January 20, 2024 – February 8, 2024

• Minutes

Minutes from the January 23, 2024, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

Motion #2 by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent: Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association, Inc. (COPMOBA)

Town Manager Hawkinson introduced Scott Wynans, the secretary and former president of Copmoba, who gave a brief presentation of the project outlined in the proposed Memorandum of Understanding.

Motion #3 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Trail Association, Inc. (COPMOBA) to place and maintain a shade structure on Town-owned property along the Palisade Plunge Trail.

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent: Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

Purchase of a New Brush Truck

Finance Director Gregg Mueller reviewed the staff report provided and clarified the differences and savings between buying the apparatus outright versus financing it.

Motion #4 by Trustee Carlson, seconded by Trustee Harbaugh, to direct the Town Manager to purchase outright a new brush truck for the Palisade Fire Department for an amount not to exceed \$215,000.00

A roll call vote was requested.

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

No:

Absent: Trustee Chase

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Don Metzler signed up on the form but did not appear in the room when called.

Lewis Baker from Grand Junction, introduced his company, Adrenalin Driven Adventures, and explained that he is working on adding his business to Palisade, and requested the Board's support.

Jodey Corey from Palisade explained that she was before the Board on behalf of a lot of downtown businesses to ask that during events that close down the streets, the events support the local businesses as the Palisade Sunday Farmer's Market does by not blocking entry or visibility of the establishment. Town Manager Hawkinson stated that staff is aware of the request and has planned on asking the Board if they would like to see a policy reflecting Ms. Corey's request.

The consensus of the Board is to have staff prepare and present a Resolution detailing a policy to support downtown businesses during special events that close the streets by not blocking access or visibility to the storefronts along the closure.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Somerville reviewed the recent Palisade Chamber of Commerce meeting and Trustee Carlson reviewed the recent CML meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #5 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Turner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm.

A voice vote was requested. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg Mikolai

Mayor

Keli Frasier Town Clerk

