

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES March 4, 2025

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: Stan Harbaugh, Sarah Matchett, Jeff Snook, Rick Fox, and Mayor Pro-Tem Jamie Somerville. Absent was Trustee Nicole Maxwell. A quorum was declared. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, Police Chief Jesse Stanford, and Finance Director Gregg Mueller.

#### **AGENDA ADOPTION**

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

A voice vote was requested. Motion carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# RESOLUTION 2025-07 Supporting an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Application for a Palisade Police Department K-9 Unit

Chief Stanford reviewed the project proposed if the requested (no-match funding) grant gets awarded to the Town of Palisade.

Members of the Board discussed staffing, future funding after the grant, the timeframe of the grant, and the need for a K-9 program in Palisade.

*Motion #2* by Mayor Pro-Tem Somerville, seconded by Trustee Snook to adopt Resolution 2025-07 Supporting an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Application for a Palisade Police Department K-9 Unit.

A roll call vote was requested.

Yes: Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Harbaugh, Trustee Matchett, Mayor Pro-Tem Somerville, Trustee Snook, Trustee Fox,

No:

**Absent:** Trustee Maxwell

Motion carried.

#### **RESOLUTION 2025-08 Supporting an AARP Grant Application**

Town Manager Hawkinson reviewed and led Board Discussion on the proposed grant application for a community sauna.

*Motion #3* by Trustee Harbaugh, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Somerville, adopting Resolution 2025-08 Supporting an AARP Grant Application.

A roll call vote was requested.

Yes: Trustee Harbaugh, Trustee Matchett, Mayor Pro-Tem Somerville, Trustee Snook, Trustee Fox, Mayor Mikolai

No:

**Absent:** Trustee Maxwell

Motion carried.

## **Support Congressionally Directed Spending Grant Applications**

Town Manager Hawkinson reviewed and led Board Discussion on the proposed grant applications for Congressional Direct Spending Grants 2025.

#### The consensus of the Board was as follows:

- A grant request of \$1 Million for the build-out of the Town of Palisade irrigation system
  - o YES
- A grant request of \$2 Million for the Town's domestic water distribution system
  - o YES
- A grant request of \$2 Million for a community center with space for a library and a work resource center
  - o YES
- Direction for the Mayor to sign a letter of support for CSD Grant Request to Colorado Parks and Wildlife supporting the purchase of land and trail construction near the Cameo Sport Shooting & Education Complex
  - o YES

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion #5* by Mayor Pro-Tem Somerville, second by Trustee Snook, to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 pm.

A voice vote was requested. Motion carried unanimously.

A work session of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade began at 6:23 pm to discuss proposed domestic water rate increases, a request for funding from LaPlaza, charges for special events, capital projects, and the Little Blossoms Early Learning Center property. Present were Mayor Greg Mikolai, Mayor Pro-Tem Jamie Somerville, Trustees Stan Harbaugh, Sarah Matchett, Jeff Snook, and Rick Fox. Also in attendance were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, and Finance Director Gregg Mueller.

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