

**TOWN OF MANCOS**  
**BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 24, 2024**  
**7:00 p.m.**

- A. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Queenie Barz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- C. ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Queenie Barz, Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Simpson, Trustee Richard Tokar, Trustee Nick Manning, Trustee Brent McWhirter and Student Liaison Torie McKinley.

**Absent:** Trustee Ed Hallam and Trustee Janice Bryan

**Staff Present:** Town Administrator Heather Alvarez, Public Works Director Terry Jennings, Community and Economic Development Director Jason Armstrong, Town Clerk Jamie Higgins and Town Attorney David Liberman.

- D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Trustee Brent McWhirter made the motion to approve the January 24, 2024 agenda. Trustee Richard Tokar seconds the motion. Motion passed.
- E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Trustee Richard Tokar made a motion to approve the minutes from January 10, 2024. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconds the motion. Motion Passed.
- F. AUDIENCE BUSINESS:**
- Katie McClure with Mancos United addressed the Board regarding the Community Hub project. She informed the Board on what is happening with the Community Hub project and their funding needs.
- G. ANNOUNCEMENT:**
- Wireless Internet – the Town has discontinued work on this project as there is a locally owned company in town that is willing and able to provide high-speed internet to residents and businesses within Town limits. We do not want to compete with private enterprise, so this project has been stopped.
  - Jamie – election update
  - 422 Grand Ave. has been settled. More information will be provided at the February 14, 2024 Board meeting.
  - Jason - MC Planning Commission
  - Terry – updated the Board regarding the water tank.
- H. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- Montezuma County Commissioner Update – Commissioner Gerald Koppenhafer updated the Board regarding what is happening in the County.

- Student Liaison Update – Torie McKinley updated the Board regarding the schools activities.
- Montezuma County Planning Commission – Mayor Queenie Barz updated the Board on what was discussed at the Planning Commission.
- Region 9 – No update.
- CDOT TPR – No update.
- Town of Mancos Planning Commission – The Planning Commission discussed the Fee in lieu to be presented at tonight’s meeting.

**I. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

1. Public Hearing: Family Dollar Beer/Wine Liquor License Application. Open: 7:30pm. No Discussion. Closed: 7:30pm  
Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to approve the new Beer and Wine License for Family Dollar Stores of Colorado LLC conditional upon state approval and authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer to send the application to the state. Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Simpson seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
2. Trustee Nick Manning made a motion to approve Resolution 5 Series 2024 A Resolution Setting The Per Acre Fee In Lieu Of Dedicated Land. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

**J. *Items for February 14, 2024 Meeting***

- *Ordinance TBD Series 2024: Empire Electric Franchise Agreement*
- *Resolution TBD Series 2024: 2024 Dispatch Agreement Renewal*
- *Mutual Aid Omnibus Agreement*
- *422 Grand Ave. Final Update*
- *Discussion and possible action item to possibly contribute to the Community Center Hub project.*

**K. Executive Session** – Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Simpson makes a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real, personal or other property interest under C.R.S Section 24-6-402(4)(a). Trustee Brent McWhirter seconds the motion. Motion passed. 7:47pm enter Executive Session. Present: Mayor Queenie Barz, Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Simpson, Trustee Richard Tokar, Trustee Nick Manning, Trustee Brent McWhirter, Town Attorney David Liberman, Town Administrator Heather Alvarez, Community and Economic Development Director Jason Armstrong, and Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins. 8:15pm conclude Executive Session. No Action.

**L. Adjournment**

Trustee Richard Tokar made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm.

*Ellen Queenie Barz*

Mayor Queenie Barz

*Jamie Higgins*

Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins