

**Town of Mancos  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 23, 2015  
7:00 p.m.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Rachael Simbeck called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Rachael Simbeck, Trustee Will Stone, Trustee Michele Black, Trustee Darrel Ellis  
Absent: Mayor pro tem Todd Kearns, Trustee Queenie Barz, Trustee Matthew Baskin

Staff Present: Town Administrator Andrea Phillips, Town Clerk/Treasurer Heather Alvarez, Public Works Director Robin Schmittel, Marshal John Cox, Streets Supervisor Jeff Watenpaugh

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Trustee Michele Black made the motion to approve the agenda as written. Trustee Darrel Ellis seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF September 9, 2015:** Trustee Darrel Ellis made the motion to approve the minutes of September 9, 2015 as written. Trustee Michele Black seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**E. AUDIENCE BUSINESS**

- Chip Tuthill, 849 Riverside Ave. – asked the Board to support the Clean Power Plan through the Colorado Dept. of Public Health. He requested the Board be present at the public meeting in Durango on 9/25/15 or submit a letter of support.

**F. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The monthly Board workshop on October 7 will include 2016 Budget discussion
- The CML regional meeting is September 30 in Pagosa Springs beginning at 4:00 p.m.
- The Harvest Festival attracted about 100 participants.
- Trustee Michele Black advised the Balloon Festival is still looking for volunteers.

**G. PRESENTATIONS**

a. Montezuma County Hospital District Tax Initiative

Dean Matthews and Bill Thompson, Montezuma County District Hospital Board members, presented information regarding the tax initiative to expand and remodel the hospital to consolidate all clinics under one roof. The current patient wing on the second floor does not meet current standards, and the emergency room is in need of an upgrade. The funds will also be used to build an ambulance garage. The Mancos clinic will not be consolidated and will remain in Mancos. The requested sales tax is .04 cents and will sunset after fifteen years. Preliminary cost estimates for the upgrades are about \$14 million at this time. Dena Guthridge spoke about the importance of the proposed upgrades. This will be issue 5A on the ballot. They will be at the Mancos Public Library on September 28 for another public meeting.

b. Mancos Library District

Lee Hallberg, Director, was present at the meeting. He presented information to the Board which will be included in the Board packet. The Mancos Public Library helps attract visitors to downtown, and they are a focal point for community education. The library is LEED Gold Certified. They have a seed lending library, and they offer a science program on Fridays. They also have almost every issue of the Mancos Times since 1893 available to the public. Declining revenues are a serious cause of concern at this time. Since 2011, the library has reduced expenditures wherever possible. He is asking the Board to support a mill levy increase of 1.5 mills, they are looking for volunteers to serve on the mill levy committee. He is also requesting a monetary commitment from the Town of \$5,000 each year for the next five years.

**H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Ordinance 703 Series 2015 Park Street Dedication

During the last Board meeting, Staff was asked to confirm the legal description in the ordinance matched the plat map and did not have any errors. Maness & Associates confirmed the legal description via email. There were no changes made to the ordinance or the plat map. Trustee Michele Black made the motion to approve Ordinance 703 Series 2015 An Ordinance Dedicating A Street Right-Of-Way In The Town Of Mancos. Trustee Will Stone seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

2. Water Dock Options

Town Administrator Andrea Phillips is requesting Board direction with regard to updating the technology at the Mancos Water Dock. Currently, the water dock accepts quarters only, and she has received complaints regarding the water dock being jammed and unavailable for use. Staff presented several options to the Board for review and discussion. Staff will research upgrading the quarter system to include a coin return. We will also bring usage information to a future Board meeting.

3. Economic Development Update

Chelsea Jones was present at the meeting to provide the Board with an update of her efforts to date with regard to economic development.

4. 2016 Ballot Language

Staff is requesting direction from the Board with regard to potential ballot language for the 2016 Municipal Election for the following:

- a) Does the Board wish to allow the publication of bills and claims on the Town website only instead of the printed newspaper?
- b) Does the Board wish to opt in to SB152?

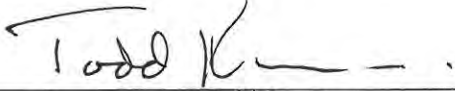
Board directed Staff to move forward with ballot language to opt out of SB152. Information regarding publishing of bills & claims will be brought to a future Board meeting.

**I. ITEMS FOR October 14, 2015 AGENDA**

- *2016 Proposed Budget*
- *2016 Agency Contributions*
- *Board Support of the Clean Power Plan*

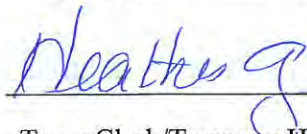
**J. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



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Mayor Pro-Tem Todd Kearns  
Mayor Rachael Simbeck



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Town Clerk/Treasurer-Heather Alvarez