

**Town of Mancos
Board of Trustees Meeting
June 12, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

A. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

C. ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks, Trustee Betsy Harrison, Trustee Ed Hallam, Trustee Brent McWhirter, Trustee Cindy Simpson
Absent: Mayor Queenie Barz, Trustee Craig Benally

Staff Present: Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Heather Alvarez, Public Works Director Terry Jennings, Marshal Justen Goodall

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Trustee Brent McWhirter made the motion to amend the agenda by adding item #4 under New Business – New Grader. Trustee Betsy Harrison seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda. Motion passed.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF May 22, 2019: Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to approve the minutes of May 22, 2019 as presented by staff. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

F. AUDIENCE BUSINESS

- Terry King, 41775 Hwy 184, Mancos – is concerned about excessive police presence, she is a landlord in town and asked the Board if there is something she should know, she said her tenants have complained about spotlights after dark
- Suzanne Strazza, did not state address – same concerns as previous speaker, she feels certain members of the community are being targeted and followed, she inquired as to if the Marshal's Office has new policies
- Gretchen Groenke, did not state address – she agrees with prior speakers, feels there is decreasing community trust and unnecessary patrolling, she referred to HB19-1124, she does not want law enforcement to conduct business checks, she requested a community meeting regarding the local and federal relationship
- Chavolo Ortiz, did not state address – he owns a business in town, he has the same concerns as previous speakers, he has a lawyer looking into the situation and is considering leaving town because he doesn't feel safe
- Jonathan Navarro, did not state address – he agrees with previous speakers, the new Marshal does not eat at their restaurant, feels like he is being targeted and followed, he does not like the use of spotlights while patrolling, he wants a peaceful Mancos again
- Mike Pasquin, Montezuma County Emergency Manager – addressed the Board regarding the status of the Mancos River and agency collaboration

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Mayor Queenie Barz, Trustee Betsy Harrison and Trustee Cindy Simpson will be attending the CML Annual Conference next week.
- RPI is hosting a meeting at the Community Center from 1 – 3 on Thursday, June 13 to solicit comments for the final draft of the strategic plan. Trustees are encouraged to attend. This information will be presented to the Board at the June 26, 2019 Board meeting.
- A first complete draft of the land use code updates will be presented to the Planning Commission at their meeting next week.
- We have contracted with a company to provide and install the new playground equipment. We will keep the Board updated as the project progresses.
- The Water Tank/Fiberoptic Project has been broken into phases. Staff will be applying for a DOLA grant in August to fund a portion of the project. This item will be brought to a future meeting for Board authorization to submit the grant application.
- The 2020 budget season will begin with the July workshop.

H. TREASURER’S REPORT: MAY BILLS & CLAIMS: Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to approve the May bills & claims as presented by staff. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Region 9 Southwest Colorado Economic Development – no report
2. CDOT TPR – meeting on June 13, 2019

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Easements & Encroachments Discussion

This item is being continued from the May 24, 2019 Board meeting. Staff is researching options to potentially allow encroachment into the public right of way with several conditions. The Town Attorney has researched the issue. The summary of our research indicates that the Town should issue an encroachment permit rather than an easement of any kind. It appears that several municipalities offer an option for “fixed” encroachments, which would include a building. The Town does have the option to issue permits for fixed encroachments. These permits would be approved by and subject to revocation by the Board of Trustees. The Board directed staff to move forward with a draft ordinance for fixed encroachments with conditions that include a public hearing before the Board of Trustees. This item will be brought to a future agenda.

K. NEW BUSINESS

1. Columbine Bar Liquor License Renewal

Trustee Betsy Harrison recused herself. Trustee Ed Hallam made the motion to approve the Columbine Bar Liquor License Renewal and authorize the Town Clerk/Treasurer to submit the renewal application to the Dept. of Revenue. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

2. New Millenium Marijuana License Renewal

Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to approve the renewal of the New Millenium Wholesale LLC Retail Marijuana Cultivation Facility and Products Manufacturing licenses conditional upon State approval. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

3. Encroachment Permit – 404 Bauer Ave.

Trustee Brent McWhirter made the motion to approve Ordinance 749 Series 2019 An Ordinance Approving Revocable Permit No 2019-4 For An Encroachment In A Public Street with the condition that the fence be brought into compliance during this remodel. Trustee Betsy Harrison seconded the motion. Motion passed by roll call vote with Trustee Cindy Simpson voting against.

4. Grader Purchase

The 2019 budget includes \$80,000 toward the purchase of a new motor grader. Public Works Director Terry Jennings has found a 1997 Caterpillar 120H Motor Grader for \$52,350. Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to authorize the Public Works Director to purchase the 1997 Caterpillar 120H Motor Grader. Trustee Ed Hallam seconded the motion. Motion passed.

L. ***Items for June 26, 2019 Agenda***

- *Economic Development Strategy Presentation - RPI*
- *2018 Financial Audit*
- *Kilgore American Indian Art Art Gallery Permit*
- *Mancos Colorado Days Association Open Container Permit*

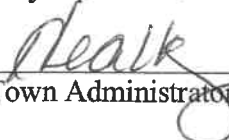
Prior to adjournment there was discussion regarding audience business. Marshal Goodall advised that he has returned phone calls to citizens who have reached out to him, and he has met with one citizen last week. At the citizen's request, Marshal Goodall is planning a public meeting to address citizen concerns regarding local law enforcement cooperation with Federal law enforcement. Town Administrator Heather Alvarez has not directly received any citizen feedback on this topic to date.

M. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.



Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks



Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Heather Alvarez