

**Town of Mancos
Board of Trustees Meeting
January 13, 2021
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 Fred Brooks, Trustee Ed Hallam, Trustee Betsy Harrison (Zoom), Trustee Cindy Simpson (Zoom), Trustee Janice Bryan (Zoom), Trustee Brent McWhirter (Zoom)

Staff Present: Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Heather Alvarez, Attorney David Liberman (Zoom), Public Works Director Terry Jennings, Marshal Justen Goodall

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks made the motion to approve the agenda. Trustee Ed Hallam seconded the motion. Motion passed.

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF December 9, 2020: Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to approve the minutes of December 9, 2020 as provided by staff. Trustee Betsy Harrison seconded the motion. Motion passed.

F. AUDIENCE BUSINESS

Bob Becker, 240 W. Montezuma, Mancos – addressed the Board regarding an out of town property that is receiving in town water rates. He advised that the property has changed uses and asked the Board to begin charging out of town water rates. The Board directed staff to research the issue and take the appropriate action.

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We haven't had any businesses pick up COVID19 posters from Town Hall. We did post them on our Facebook page so anyone may print them for free.
- Montezuma County distributed a total of \$655,332 in CARES Act grant funds to local businesses. Mancos awarded \$74,629, Montezuma County awarded \$353,549, Cortez awarded \$189,301 and Dolores awarded \$37,853 to a total of 161 awardees.
- Montezuma County now has a button on their COVID19 page that citizens may click to sign up for vaccinations with the Health Dept. This went live today.
- The Town Administrator and Economic Development Coordinator met with the Mancos Chamber and Mancos Creative District to discuss current projects and collaboration opportunities.

- There has been a large increase in fraudulent unemployment claims and 1099s for 2020. Please be sure to consult with your tax preparer or CPA if you find an issue.
- We will have a joint workshop with the Montezuma County Commissioners on February 10 at 5:30 p.m.
- The new Board Room technology is up and running. We are using it for the first time tonight. This meeting will be published to YouTube for public viewing. In the future, we will be streaming our Board meetings live on YouTube. The public will not be allowed to comment or address the Board via YouTube.
- Mayor Queenie Barz reminded citizens to lock their vehicles.

H. TREASURER'S REPORT: DECEMBER BILLS & CLAIMS

Trustee Betsy Harrison made the motion to approve the December bills and claims as presented by staff. Trustee Cindy Simpson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Region 9 Southwest Colorado Economic Development – meeting next week
- CDOT TPR – the 184 culvert and relining project is complete, the 550 “bridge to nowhere” project is still in process

J. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. 2021 Work Plan

This was provided to the Board for their review and information.

2. Region 9 Board Appointment

Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to appoint Rachael Marchbanks to replace Mayor Queenie Barz as a voting member on the Region 9 Board. Trustee Betsy Harrison seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Mayor Barz will still attend the meetings as time permits.

3. Main Street Bridge Fiber Relocation

We are required to relocate the fiber that is attached to the existing Main Street Bridge. DB Tech will be performing this work on our behalf. We reached out to Empire Electric to inquire as to if we can temporarily use their poles to save the Town some money. This is not an option. We received a quote in the amount of \$43,000 to relocate and then replace the fiber on the new bridge. We will be receiving a revised bid from DB Tech with the poles and related required equipment. Once I receive a revised quote, I'll bring this back to the Board on January 27. At that time I will also be bringing information from SEH (our project engineers) regarding construction management and materials testing.

4. Riverwalk Behind Mancos School

The Town partnered with Mancos School District on a portion of their remodel project. We were the fiscal agent for the GOCO grant that provided the elementary school playground upgrades. In return, the school agreed to provide a permanent easement for the Riverwalk behind the school. During construction, there was some confusion regarding the fence placement along the south side of the school. The Town and the school have come to an agreement. The fence is going to be relocated by the school. The Town is working on the trail easement paperwork which will be filed at the County when complete.

K. ITEMS FOR JANUARY 27, 2021 AGENDA

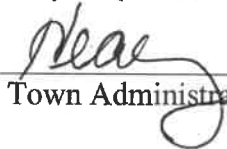
- *Public Hearing: Green Kiwi 5, LLC Change of Location*
- *Swearing in of Deputy Marshal David Martin*
- *2020 Staff Work Plan Update*
- *Resolution TBD Series 2021: Honoring Mac Neeley's 100th Birthday*

L. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Ed Hallam made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion.



Mayor Queenie Barz



Town Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Heather Alvarez