

TOWN OF MANCOS
BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING
January 12, 2022
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 Janice Bryan, Trustee Brent McWhirter, and Trustee Cindy Simpson.
- Absent:** Trustee Betsy Harrison
- Staff Present: Town Administrator Heather Alvarez, Marshal Justen Goodall, Public Works Director Terry Jennings, Attorney David Liberman, and Town Clerk Treasurer Jamie Higgins
- D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks made the motion to approve the agenda. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconds the motion. Motion passed.
- E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Trustee Janice Bryan made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, from December 8 and December 22, 2021. Cindy Simpson seconds the motion. Motion Passed.
- F. AUDIENCE BUSINESS:**
- Tim Hunter, at 10689 Rd 41.2, addressed the Board regarding development costs for Grand Ave Subdivision. Mr. Hunter feels the development review costs and street impact fees are too much. He wants to bring awareness to the Board regarding these fees and thinks they should be lowered. Mayor Queenie Barz thanks Mr. Hunter for addressing the Board.
- G. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
- Town Administrator, Heather Alvarez, informed the Board that nomination petitions are ready for pick-up at the Town Hall. 3 seats are up for election. The petitions are due by 5pm on January 24th. We will have an election regardless due to the ballot question that was passed by this Board last month.
 - We are looking for a new Economic Development Coordinator. We have posted in the paper, website, and CML.
 - Public Works Director, Terry Jennings, informed the Board that the water plant upgrades are finally taking shape. Public Works had been busy repairing lines.

- Mancos Marshal, Justen Goodall, informed the Board that the Marshal's office is looking for a new truck. He is having availability issues finding one and has reached as far as Denver, he will start looking in New Mexico. Hopefully they will have one before the end of the year.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Region 9 – Trustee Janice Bryan reported that region 9 was awarded a \$25,000 grant from CO Housing Finance Authority for a regional feasibility study. The Southwest Council of Governments is working with Region 9 to figure out how to combine, possibly by 2023. As for now, each Board will still stay the same for now. They discussed the Southwest economic outlook form. They went over aging, workforce, economy, and housing. We need young people, the older are aging out. There are slides on this so maybe I can send them out.
2. CDOT - None
3. Montezuma County Commissioner Update – Commissioner Jim Candelaria addressed the Board. First I would like to say I was at the Southwest Economics and Trustee Janice is right. The study is showing people are aging out of the workforce either by retiring or just leaving and there are not enough youth coming in to backfill the baby boomers. Definitely send that slide out. TPR going to start reviewing the 10 year plan. Nothing new, but we will be reviewing. Land use seems to be the biggest issue with the Commission right now. Commissioner Lindsay and I will tag team for the next 30, 60, 90 days. Our Administrator received a text from Commissioner Stevenson's family, and he had a better day today. If you have any questions or concerns please reach out to us while we try to help fill in. Mayor Queenie Barz stated that she appreciates Commissioner Stevenson always attending the Town of Mancos Meetings, thank you for coming today. Trustee Brent McWhirter mentioned that Commissioner Stevenson said a person from the state will be coming to meet with you all regarding a grant given at the State level to put in a logistic center in your area for after COVID revitalization. Commissioner Candelaria stated their grant writer is working with Rachael on this.

J. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Letter of Support for Boys & Burls Club
Trustee Cindy Simpson feels the title for the Boys & Burls Club is iffy and Trustee Janice Bryan agrees. Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to send the attached letter of support to Alex Bond for his grant application to Colorado Community Revitalization Program to establish the Boys & Burls Club. Trustee Janice Bryan seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

2. 2022 Municipal Election IGA

Trustee Cindy Simpson made a motion to authorize the Town Administrator to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Montezuma County Clerk and Recorder to coordinate the 2022 Municipal Election with the Town of Mancos. Trustee Ed Hallam seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Resolution 5 Series 2022: Temporarily Lifting Burn Ban

Mancos Municipal Code section 7-9-50 institutes a permanent burn ban within Town limits unless lifted temporarily by resolution of the Board of Trustees. Staff is requesting a temporary lift of the burn ban through the end of March to allow citizens to burn yard waste in an effort to encourage code compliance prior to beginning enforcement again this spring. Town Attorney David Liberman reviewed the Resolution. Mayor Pro Tem Fred Brooks asked if there will be a permitting process. Mancos Marshal Justen Goodall explained that anyone wanting to burn within the Town limits will still have to call dispatch, Fire will be notified, and when a burn ban is in effect citizens will not be allowed to burn. Mayor Pro Tem Fred Brooks asked if the Mancos Marshal's department is behind this. Marshal Justen Goodall replied yes. Trustee Cindy Simpson is worried that allowing residents to burn through March could be potentially dangerous. Marshal Goodall stated the Board can always readdress this resolution. Town Administrator Heather Alvarez also stated the Municipal Code allows the Marshal to lift or initiate a ban. Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to approve Resolution 5 Series 2022 a Resolution temporarily lifting the ban on open fires within town of Mancos limits to and through March 31, 2022. Trustee Ed Hallam seconds the motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Fred Brooks - Aye

Trustee Brent McWhirter – Aye

Trustee Ed Hallam – Aye

Trustee Janice Bryan – Aye

Trustee Cindy Simpson – Nay

Motion passed.

4. Ordinance 767 Series 2022: Marijuana Business License Change Of Ownership

The Town of Mancos generally follows the State of Colorado rules with regard to liquor and marijuana licensing. The State has changed their rules regarding ownership of marijuana business license holders to require one owner to live within the State for a minimum of one year prior to being eligible to obtain a retail marijuana business license. This ordinance mirrors the state language. Janice Bryan made a motion to Approve Ordinance 767 Series 2022 An Ordinance making certain amendments to the Town of Mancos Municipal Code concerning

ownership of retail marijuana businesses within the Town of Mancos. Brent McWhirter seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

K. Items for January 26, 2022 Agenda

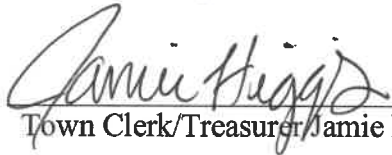
- *Proclamation Discussion (workshop)*
- *Ordinance 768 Series 2022: Extending the Moratorium On Short Term Rentals*
- *2021 Final Work Plan and Financial Update*
- *Black History Month Proclamation*
- *Fiber Info structure Grant update*

L. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.



Mayor Queenie Barz



Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins