

**TOWN OF MANCOS**  
**BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**January 26, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m.**

- A. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Queenie Barz called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- C. ROLL CALL:** Present: Mayor Queenie Barz, Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks, Trustee Betsy Harrison, Trustee Janice Bryan, Trustee Brent McWhirter, and Trustee Cindy Simpson.
- Absent:** Trustee Ed Hallam
- 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 amended agenda with the addition of L. Executive Session for a conference with the Town Attorney for purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and to determine position relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; develop strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e) with regard to the wastewater treatment plan ongoing litigation. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconds the motion. Motion passed.
- E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented, from January 12, 2022 and January 19, 2021. Trustee Janice Bryan seconds the motion. Motion Passed.
- F. ECONOMIC OUTLOOK PRESENTATION by Laura Lewis-Marchino, Region 9**
- G. AUDIENCE BUSINESS:**
- None
- H. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
- Town Administrator, Heather Alvarez, informed the Board that we will have an election April 5<sup>th</sup>. Four election packets were turned in for the three open trustee positions.
  - We started interviewing judges for municipal court. We are holding off on selecting a candidate for the Economic Development position. We have not had any candidates apply that have experience and we do not have the time to train someone right now. We will take another look at the position after some grants are completed and there is more time.

- Trustee Janice Bryan advised that N95 masks are available for free at Mancos Library and are limited to up to 5 per person.
- The Mancos Marshal's Office RFP has been published.

## **I. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Mancos School District – no report
- Montezuma County Planning – there were 6 subdivision request, a property currently subjected to code enforcement was also discussed and residents were given additional time to remediate
- Montezuma County Commissioners Report – Commissioner Lindsey provided an update on the gravel pit, a new survey is required, he advised they need the post mining use from Mancos, Montezuma County Republicans will be interviewing 11 candidates to replace Commissioner Stevenson, County Social Services expended over \$2.8 million in December.

## **J. ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Letter of Support Mancos Hub  
Nick Manning was present at the meeting. Trustee Brent McWhirter made the motion to authorize the Town Administrator to send the attached letter of support to Nick Manning for his grant application to Colorado Community Revitalization Program to establish the Mancos Hub. Trustee Betsy Harrison seconded the motion. Motion passed.
2. Letter of Support for Mancos Trails Group  
Trustee Cindy Simpson made the motion to authorize the Town Administrator to send the attached letter of support to Mancos Trails Group for their grant application to Laura Jane Musser Fund to construct approximately 9-12 miles of trails at the Aqueduct property. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion. Motion passed.
3. Ordinance 768 Series 2022: Extending the Moratorium On Short Term Rentals  
Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to Approve Ordinance 768 Series 2022 An Emergency Ordinance Of The Town Of Mancos, Colorado, Extending The Current Moratorium On The Submission, Acceptance, Processing, Consideration Or Approval Of New Permits, But Excluding Renewal Permits, For Short Term Rental In The Town Of Mancos For The Purpose Of Allowing The Town To Prepare And Adopt New Zoning, Land Use And Permitting Regulations With Regard To Short-Term Rentals; Providing For The Moratorium To Extend To And Through August 31, 2022; And Declaring An Emergency Therefore. Trustee Janice Bryan seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
4. 2021 Final Work Plan and Financial Update  
Information presented to the Board for review and discussion.

5. Resiliency Grant Update

Information presented to the Board for review and discussion.

**K. Items for February 9, 2022 Agenda**

- *Public Art Program Discussion with Mancos Creative District (workshop)*
- *Design Review Guidelines Discussion*

**L. Executive Session for a conference with the Town Attorney for purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and to determine position relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; develop strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e) with regard to the wastewater treatment plant ongoing litigation**

Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks made the motion to enter executive session for a conference with the Town Attorney for purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and to determine position relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; develop strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e) with regard to the wastewater treatment plant ongoing litigation. Trustee Brent McWhirter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Executive session started at 8:16 p.m.

Executive session ended at 8:41 p.m.

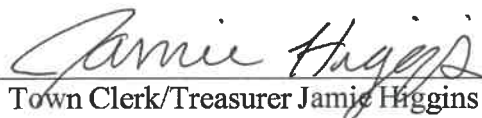
Mayor Queenie Barz, Mayor pro tem Fred Brooks, Trustee Betsy Harrison, Trustee Brent McWhirter, Trustee Cindy Simpson, Trustee Janice Bryan, Town Administrator Heather Alvarez, Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins, Town Attorney David Liberman participated.

No comments with regard to executive session.

**M. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Brent McWhirter made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

  
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Mayor Queenie Barz

  
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Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins