

TOWN OF MANCOS
BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
May 24, 2023
7:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Queenie Barz called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

C. ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Queenie Barz, Mayor pro tem Cindy Simpson, Trustee Brent McWhirter, and Trustee Ed Hallam, Trustee Janice Bryan, Trustee Nick Manning, and Trustee Richard Tokar.

Absent: None

Staff Present: Town Administrator Heather Alvarez, Public Works Director Terry Jennings, Mancos Marshal Justen Goodall, Attorney David Liberman, and Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins.

D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Trustee Ed Hallam made a motion to approve the May 24, 2023 Agenda with removal of item J. 6. June 21, 2023 Meeting cancellation. 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 May 10, 2023. Trustee Richard Tokar seconds the motion. Motion Passed.

F. Oath of Office for Deputy Clerk/Court Clerk Mercedes Yanito - Postponed

G. AUDIENCE BUSINESS:

- Heather Gable, 145 Bauer Ave, addressed the Board regarding El Rio Cantina. She said she was not notified of the bar and the bar should not be in a residential area. The music is loud and drunk people wander. The garbage can in the alley overflows. When it snowed they did not clear off the sidewalk. After the bar opened my car was broken into. That has not happened in the 6 years I have been here.
- Betty Bryant, 145 Bauer Ave, explained to the Board that the music is too loud at El Rio Cantina and it has woken her up many times at night.
- Dianna Dorfor, 145 Bauer Ave #1, moved in August and thought this was a elderly disabled building. The noise from El Rio Cantina is past regulated hours. They are supposed to be closed at 10 and they are not. She will call the sheriff. She is asking the Board to do right by the residents.
- J. Flannigan, 145 Bauer Ave. El Rio is an ongoing problem. There is excessive drinking, people staggering in the streets and urinating. People drink their own booze in their cars in the parking lot. Smoking is supposed to be 25 feet from a federal building, they are 17 feet smoking from it. Code enforcement needs to keep property value and safety. The bar does not provide a positive experience.

They are breaking the noise ordinance. I will continue to come before you until something is done.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- CML – Cindy and Queenie are attending.
- The Aspen Wood tour is this Friday at 1pm.
- Mancos Common Press ribbon cutting ceremony is June 2 at 1pm.
- Officer Errin Walker’s last day of work is May 29, 2023.
- Life celebration for Betsy Harrison is at the Fenceline June 4, 2023 2pm-5pm.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Montezuma County Commissioner Update – Commissioner Gerald Koppenhafer updated the Board regarding what is happening in County and issues regarding water.
- Montezuma County Planning Commission Update – Nothing on the agenda close to Mancos.
- Region 9 – No Update
- CDOT TPR – No Update
- Mancos Planning Commission – P&Z is reviewing the Comprehensive Plan.

J. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

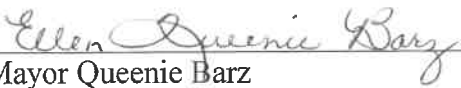
1. Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Simpson made a motion to set the perimeters as the Town of Mancos town limits for petition circulation for the liquor license application from MMS Enterprises, LLC and set a Public Hearing for June 28, 2023 for licensing decision. Trustee Nick Manning seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
2. Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to give Mancos Food Share, Chicken Creek Nordic, Pay It Forward, Imagination Library, and Community Connections \$600 for the 2023 second round agency contributions. Trustee Ed Hallam seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
3. Trustee Richard Tokar made a motion to reappoint Shannon Hazelip to the Mancos Tree Board. Trustee Nick Manning seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
4. Trustee Brent McWhirter made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter de-obligating the grant funds for DOLA Administrative Grant EIAF A-0216. Trustee Janice Bryan seconds the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.
5. Utility Hardship Clause Discussion – Heather Alvarez presented the Board with information from other small towns regarding a utility hardship clause. Each of the municipalities refer citizens to LEAP or other organizations that offer assistance with utility bills. No Action.

K. Items for June 14, 2023 Agenda

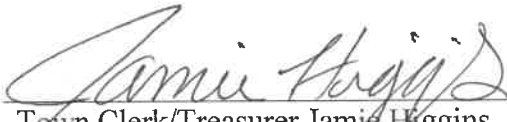
- *2024 Project and Capital Budget Discussion (Workshop)*
- *Adopt Updated Five Year Capital Plan*
- *Proclamation of Congratulations to Mancos Opera House*
- *City Give Program Discussion*
- *Comprehensive Plan Review Chapter 8*
- *Appoint Trustee Chair for June 28th Meeting*

L. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Ed Hallam made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:29pm.



Mayor Queenie Barz



Town Clerk/Treasurer Jamie Higgins