

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
TOWN OF WESTCLIFFE  
MARCH 7, 2016  
SPECIAL MEETING**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Patterson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members were present: Mayor Patterson, Ms. Gluschke, Mr. Cline, Mr. Thornburg and Mr. Nordyke

ABSENT: Mr. Wenke

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Peggy Case-100 Reatta Rd, Jerry Jennings-110 Quartz Court, Jim Bidwell-1120 Roundup Rd., Katherine Brenchley-37 Humbolt Lane, Steve Sell-352 Mission Dr., Janet Smith-352 Mission Dr., Christy Shy-940 Mill St., Silver Cliff, Lisa and Harald Frank-506 1<sup>st</sup> St., Silver Cliff, George Koons-531 Wrangler Rd., George Gramlich-11127 C.R. 255, Bob Fulton-303 S. 2<sup>nd</sup>., Robin Schwarz-400 CR 175, Larry Luckhart-Sentinel, Jim Bistodeau-80 Hermit Rd., Donna Hood-306 S. 5<sup>th</sup>, Rich Kramer-575 Shining Mtn. Rd., Fred Hernandez-Sentinel, Marilyn Hennessy, Wayne Ewing-Tribune, Dan and Jackie Bubis-3656 CR 182, Kit Shy-65 East Calcite Ct., Dorothy Nepa-49798 Hwy 69 S., Ryan Noel-3420 W. 32<sup>nd</sup> Denver, Paul and Nicole Parsons-307 S. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Steve Allen-1204 Hitching Post Cotopaxi, Pat and Annie Kerns-6130 CR 328, Steve Cocks-93 Lora Mtn. Rd, Peggi Collins-93 Lora Mtn. Rd., Stacey Schoch-602 Broadway Silver Cliff, Jessica Carter-955 French St. Silver Cliff, Elin Ganshaw-300 CR 125, Ivan Brooks-1963 Music Mtn Dr., Nora Drenner-Silver Cliff

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- a. Consideration of request to suspend the noise ordinance for the concert at the Saddle Club June 10 through 12-Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club.**

Mayor Patterson had researched how events similar to this had impacted areas such as Salida population 5,000, which had an event of 20,000 attendees last summer. The one response was that the impact was unknown, the gain of sales tax couldn't be determined, had no unruly people, the cost to the county was attorney fees and the additional law enforcement was paid for by the event organizers. In the future they would consider similar events but case by case. Research was also done on the decibel levels at Blue Grass-85 to 90, Jones Theater-84, Red Rocks-limit is 120.

We are here to address the noise ordinance and agree on the time. This event is on private property, all other issues are between the festival organizers and the Saddle Club. The Board of Trustees support having the event.

Mayor Patterson had also received letters of support from two local businesses.

- Concerns-Trustees:
1. Relaxing the noise ordinance.
  2. The Sheriff's Department needs to be paid for overtime.
  3. Not having a local hospital.
  4. Fencing around the event.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS CONTINUED**

- Concerns-Citizens:
1. Number of cars and where is the parking.
  2. Number of attendees.
  3. Fire danger.
  4. The Town should receive money from the event.

Ryan Noel said that they need to start at 10:00 a.m. and would like to play until 2:00 a.m. and Sunday play until midnight. He proposed to play in the building during stage changes. The outside stage will be faced to the north. It is also possible to start earlier and end earlier on Friday. It will be set up as a park and stay event, shuttles will be provided. Servers will be certified, a bar manager will be on duty at all times. Food vendors will be on site. Seventy five tickets have been sold to date.

Sheriff Byerly said as far as law enforcement playing until 2:00 works better as it keeps the people in one place rather than going in to the town bars. He also stated there will be three sworn deputies and three posse members present each day. Other jurisdictions will be asked to help provide law enforcement at the expense of the festival organizers leaving Custer County deputies available to respond as need to local calls.

Mayor Patterson addressed the idea that the Town should receive money. The Sheriff Department needs to be compensated and the Saddle Club should make money, not the Town government.

Ryan Noel addressed the concerns:

1. Twenty four hour security will be provided by the festival organizers one security person per 200 attendees. An emergency plan will be developed with input from Sheriff Byerly and other emergency management agencies.
2. The festival will provide its own medical.
3. The entire property is fenced except for one small section that will be fenced before the event.
4. Parking on location is ample for 1068 or so cars.
5. Will cap the number of attendees to 2,000 maximum.
6. Camp fires will not be allowed. (there will be two fire pits by the building)
7. Portable toilets will be set and cleaned daily.

**ACTION:** Mr. Cline moved and Mr. Nordyke seconded to suspend the noise ordinance until 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and have it remain intact Thursday and Sunday. Motion Carried. Nay-Mayor Patterson and Ms. Gluschke

- b. Consideration of request to approve a Special Event Permit – June 10 through 12-Wet Mountain Valley Saddle Club.**

Tabled, rescheduled for the April meeting.

Mr. Cline moved and Mr. Nordyke seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Recorded by:  
Kathy Reis  
Town Clerk