

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TOWN OF WESTCLIFFE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7th, 2017
REGULAR MEETING -**

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Patterson called the meeting to order at 5:30

PM. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mayor Patterson, Audrey Gluschke, Art Nordyke, Jim Bistodeau, Paul Wenke, and Rod Thornburg.

ABSENT: NONE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Patterson led the Pledge of Allegiance

OTHERS PRESENT

Randy Wilhelm-6 Crestone Court, Shirley Criteser-Sentinel, Bess Cole-202 S. 4th Street, Harry A. Wenzel-702 Rosita Ave, Jim Bradburn- Cotopaxi, CO., George Medaris- RMWS, Shannon Byerly-702 Rosita Ave., Mike Kierbusch-Sentinal, Wayne Ewing-Tribune, Jay Printz, Mike Carter, Kathy Reis and Wanda Jennings

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Wenke moved and **Ms. Gluschke** seconded to approve the minutes of the October 3rd, 2017 regular meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

REVENUE RECEIVED IN OCTOBER 2017:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING:	\$ 58,142.37
CONSERVATION TRUST FUND:	\$ 8.60
MUNICIPAL COURT CHECKING:	\$ 75.00
TAP/CDOT	\$ 178,935.21

EXPENDITURES FOR OCTOBER 2017:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING:	\$
CDOT/TAP CHECKING:	84,000.17
CONSERVATION TRUST FUND:	\$
BALANCE IN ALL ACCOUNTS:	171,011.04

GENERAL FUND CHECKING:	\$ 99,306.39
CDOT/TAP CHECKING	\$ 1,621.93
SUMMIT ACCOUNT	\$ 100,518.98
MUNICIPAL COURT CHECKING:	\$ 4,128.00
CONSERVATION TRUST FUND:	\$ 20,826.94
TOTAL C.D's PLUS INTEREST:	\$ 388,109.97

Ms. Gluschke moved and **Mr. Bistodeau** seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried. **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Mr. Wenke moved and **Ms. Gluschke** seconded to allow and pay all bills. Motion carried.

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OLD BUSINESS

a. Swear in Bess Cole for the vacant Trustee seat.

Mayor Patterson swore in Ms. Cole as Town of Westcliffe Trustee. Ms. Cole took her seat as the new Trustee.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Consideration of request to approve the 2018 Sheriff's contract.

ACTION: Mr. Wenke moved and **Mr. Bistodeau** seconded to approve the 2018 Sheriff's contract. Motion carried.

b. Third Quarter Sheriff's report.

Sheriff Byerly gave his third quarter report for the board.

c. Presentation on Round Mountain's proposed waste water system.

Mr. Medaris from Round Mountain Water and Sanitation gave a presentation on the proposed waste water system. There use to be an obnoxious smell coming from the waste water system. The smell was from back-up, for having only one (1) lagoon. For the two (2) towns the plant needs to have 3 sets of 3 cells and RMWS only had 1 set of 3 cells which caused the system to be overload and not run properly. The lagoons have a hard time working at high altitudes. The construction should start hopefully spring 2018. Increase in rate will possibly begin in February 2018.

d. Discuss fire safety inspections for fire extinguishers, egress and other potential hazards to live/safety to patrons-Dave Tonsing.

There was no one here to discuss fire safety inspection.

e. Consideration of request to approve the Mayor signing an updated E-911 Intergovernmental Agreement-Buck Wenzel.

ACTION: Ms. Gluschke moved and **Mr. Bistodeau** seconded to approve the Mayor signing an updated E-911 Intergovernmental Agreement-Buck Wenzel. Motion carried.

f. Consideration of request to approve applying for an Energy Impact grant through DOLA for improvements on Main and rd Street.

ACTION: Ms. Gluschke moved and **Mr. Thornburg** seconded to approve applying for an Energy Impact Grant through DOLA for improvements on Main and 2nd Street. Motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

- g. Consideration of installing a restroom in Summit Park with funding in part from partners.**

The Board was in favor of installing a restroom in Summit Park with funding in part from partners.

- h. Consideration of request to approve renewing a Certificate of Deposit at First State Bank of Colorado.**

ACTION: Mr. Thornburg moved and **Mr. Nordyke** seconded to approve renewing a Certificate of Deposit at First State Bank of Colorado. Motion carried.

STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Report from Clerk Reis**

Clerk Reis spoke to The Board about Colorado Municipal League (CML), Clerks Association, Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency (CIRSA) and their Advisory Board coming together to provide the staff with an advisory person to come here and ask questions regarding the elections. They would send Karen Goldman, she was a clerk for 23 years, before going on the Advisory Board and they would pay her to do so. This would be a big help to the staff.

- b. Report from Mike Carter, Building & Zoning**

Mike spoke to The Board about North Ave and 10th Street, which is behind and on the side of the school. A citizen, who works at the School, was asked by the School Board, to speak with Mike regarding the two (2) streets. The School Board wanted to know if The Town of Westcliffe was going to maintain the streets. The Town of Westcliffe has never maintained, graded, snow plowed, repaired these streets before. There is an issue of who is supposed to maintain them and who owns them. Mike will investigate to find out who is responsible for the upkeep of these streets.

It was requested by The Board that during Halloween, trick or treating, to close Main Street from the School to the Super Market during the two (2) hours that the children are out. The Board feels it is dangerous to keep the street open while children are out and about crossing over the street.

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Mike said possibly the next project would be Second Street and Main Street around Grandma's House, with curbs, gutters, paving, repairing. Anything less than \$150,000.00 doesn't have to bid out. The sidewalk in front of Grandma's House is town right away. The sidewalk will change with a slant due to the ramps going in and being ADA compliant. The owner would like to keep the railings.

c. Report from Attorney Jay Printz

Mr. Printz spoke of the situation in Alamosa regarding Municipal Court Judge Powell abusing the poor and indigent people with jail time for low-level offense. American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has brought a case against Judge Powell. He is also Monte Vista's Municipal Court Judge which he has requested termination of his contract with the City of Monte Vista.

Mr. Printz believes there is no need to be alarmed due to the fact that Westcliffe has Ordinances in place to prevent abuse of power from our Municipal Court System.

Public Comments

Ms. Gluschke mentioned the Garden Club donations for 2017 is \$2,000.00 which would be carried over to 2018. There was talk of maybe planting some trees along Main Street towards the Supermarket. Also, to purchase new large containers for plants, etc...

A Board member asked about Black Hills Energy, regarding our contract with them and wondering when it ends, which is in 2023.

Mr. Bradburn spoke of the new period lights on Main Street. Not sure if the bulbs are 3000-4000 Kelvin's which would make the lumens warmer. It looks more like 7000 which is blue and bright. Mike will check into this to make sure that they are the right Kelvin's.

Mr. Bradburn gave two (2) checks for \$5,000.00 each from Dark Sky's, one to go towards the lights on Main Street and the other check to the new restroom that will go in Summit Park sometime next spring 2018. This restroom will be good for the events that happen at the Bluff and also the Observatory events.

Mr. Thornburg moved and **Mr. Nordyke** seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Recorded by:
Wanda Jennings
Deputy Clerk