

PITKIN TOWN MEETING
At the Newcomb Community Center

April 2nd, 2018 at 7:00PM

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER**/Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance - Mayor Rachel New called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. **Trustees Brad Wick, Cory Nasso, Debbie Henley and Chris Nasso were present. Attorney Jim McDonald was present.**

Minutes taken by Clerk Sara Gibb.

Present/Approve minutes of the March 5th public hearing and the March 5th regular meeting - Clerk/Board Motion to approve minutes of March 5th public hearing made by Trustee Debbie Henley. Seconded by Trustee Cory Nasso. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion to approve minutes of March 5th regular meeting made by Trustee Cory Nasso. Seconded by Trustee Debbie Henley. Motion carried 4-0.

2. **TOWN REPORTS:**

Clerk's Report – Sara Gibb – Election tomorrow 7am-7pm at the Newcomb Community Center. Those who will serve as watchers, please remember to bring your certification paperwork. Two petitions to referendum Ord 2018-2 were submitted. One was disapproved as to form, the second is pending.

Waiting for approval to open cd accounts.

RE: overtime hours, Clerk has been clocking in/out for specific duties that are not part of regular monthly responsibilities (i.e. election)

Working to get signed contracts for Town Hall repainting

Treasurer's Report/Approve Disbursements – Sara Gibb/Board

Motion to approve disbursements made by Trustee Cory Nasso. Seconded by Trustee Debbie Henley. Motion carried 4-0.

Will hold Kooler's check until the contract is signed

Mayor's Report – Rachel New – Miranda from Western University is filming some footage of this meeting for a film documentary. Forum did not take place but Mayor Rachel New would like to plan for one for the 2020 election. Tami from CIRSA is coming on Wednesday the 4th to present on effective governance. DOLA has completed a budget analysis for Pitkin. A preliminary meeting will be held with representatives for DOLA on April 26th. March 15th Forest Service meeting was a success. New District Ranger Matt McCombs is looking into how to advance the Alpine Tunnel project and a phone conference is planned for Thursday to discuss this project.

Mayor New is looking forward to the future of Pitkin. She would like the future board to consider the following: ways to improve communication (FAQ page on the website, for example), a questionnaire to see what the community feels is important for the future direction of Town, establishing committees, establishing officers by ordinance.

Mayor New would like to thank the Board and neighbors in Pitkin for the learning experience over the last 2 years.

Attorney's Report – Jim McDonald – no report

3. **COMMISSIONER AND COMMUNITY REPORTS:**

Building Inspector – Rand Makowski – Would like to thank Tom for filling in for him while he was away. Would like a records room key. A lawyer would like building records for a lawsuit.

Fire Department – Rand Makowski – Richard Henley has the trucks ready.

Zoning Board – Ralph Bush – no report per Brian Holt

Cemetery – James Sharpton – no report

Environmental Health – Gayla Gibb – addresses have been verified and updated. There will be approximately 60 inspections that will be completed this summer.

Ditches – Cory Nasso – no report, would like to encourage others consider this position

PHCA – Kandy Nasso – no report

Town Hall – Juliet Serrato – BluSky invoice was reduced by approximately \$4,000. Juliet is working with Kooler on paint colors.

Streets – Jesse Garetson – almost no money spent on snow removal this year. Jesse James will not be able to serve as Streets commissioner in 2018.

Parks & Rec – Sara Lamar – no report

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS TO THE TOWN COUNCIL:

Marie Rossmiller, Robbin King, Brad Wick

5. SPECIAL ADDITION TO THE AGENDA: none

6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- **3-4** Discuss and vote on a coordinated election with Gunnison County (Nov. 2018, sales tax)
No vote taken

No limit on sales tax increase, that was repealed. If the Town would like to pursue this, it must be in a coordinated election in November or at our next regular municipal election.

Currently, the county is not planning a tax increase that would potentially affect a tax increase ballot question for Pitkin.

Trustee Cory Nasso stated that the Town of Pitkin hasn't changed how they generate revenue in many years. He believes the new Board should weigh in on this decision.

Trustee Brad Wick suggests that the new Board develop a fiscal policy to help justify the tax increases that are requested. He would like to see more money in the general fund. The amount should be determined by developing a plan. Trustee Nasso agrees that the Board should develop a plan and pursue a sales tax increase.

Public comments: Robbin King

- **4-1** Discuss and vote on a ballot title for the June special election question

Motion to approve ballot title option 2 as revised made by Trustee Debbie Henley. Seconded by Trustee Chris Nasso. Motion carried 4-0.

Trustee Brad Wick would like to know if other questions can go on the ballot for the Board to obtain additional insights on what people perceive as the problems with the ordinance. Attorney McDonald stated that questions could be proposed by the Board.

Clerk Sara Gibb stated that ballots would need to be printed no later than May 10th for a mailing on May 11th.

Board members prefer the second option.

7. DISCUSS AND VOTE ON COMPLAINTS FILED WITH THE TOWN OF PITKIN: none

8. FOR DISCUSSION/UPDATE:

- **4-2** Discuss appointing Town of Pitkin commissioners pursuant to C.R.S. 31-4-304

With the regular meeting held on the first Monday of the month, appointing commissioners must be done in May to be in compliance with statute.

Trustee Brad Wick wondered if the new Board should be sworn in at a special meeting prior to the May meeting.

Public comments: Suzy Metzler, Robbin King

- **3-5** Review and discuss Ordinance 2018-3 (commissioners)

Trustee Brad Wick wonders if the job descriptions should be defined by resolution instead of ordinance so the

responsibilities can be adjusted as needed.

Employee and contract positions will be described within a contract and not within an ordinance.

- **4-3** Review and discuss Ordinance 2018-4 (employees/contract workers)

9. **ADJOURN MEETING: Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held **Monday, May 7th** at 7:00PM at the Newcomb Community Center. Council meetings are scheduled to adjourn at 9:00PM. At the council's discretion agenda item(s) not addressed by this time will be tabled until the next regular meeting.

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