

PITKIN 2019 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING SNOW REMOVAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

PITKIN BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING December 3rd at 7:00 PM
At the Newcomb Community Center

AGENDA

Public Hearing/Snow removal committee update

1. **CALL TO ORDER**/Roll Call - Mayor Rachel New called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. Trustees Brad Wick, Angela Huckaby, Suzy Metzler and Steve Pinkston were present. Minutes taken by Clerk Sara Gibb.

2. Snow removal committee update

Snow plowing report given by Pete Olson.

Options for providing snow removal

- Maintain status quo
- Limit plowing to what county provides
- Ensure that every winter resident is served by an adjacent plowed street (not to driveway or garage)

Need to define "winter residents"

- Those claiming to be winter residents should contact Street commissioner by early fall (develop bid specs for subsequent winter)
- Active snow plow routes defined by...
- Occasional winter residents responsible for own plowing
- "Inactive" list – reopening route is responsibility of homeowner

Building permit review

- New construction reviewed for potential plowing issues

3. Public Hearing – 2019 Town of Pitkin Budget

Adoption of the budget will be Monday, December 10th

There was discussion regarding decreasing the amount planned for snow plowing and moving funds back to the General Fund from the Street Fund. The Trustees are in favor of \$18,000 for plowing for 2019.

There was discussion regarding the funding amount for PHCA. Trustees Suzy Metzler and Angela Huckaby do not want to fund the PHCA in 2019. There was discussion about holding meetings in Town Hall. Mayor Rachel New stated that she is concerned about the accessibility at Town Hall. Trustee Suzy Metzler stated that she would get in her car and drive home to use the restroom. Mayor Rachel New asked if the expectation for constituents is to use the outhouse or drive home to use the restroom. Trustee Steve Pinkston pointed out that there is \$1200 for portable toilets in the budget. The Town should rent one. Mayor Rachel New stated that the Town is already in the black without lowering the PHCA number. Trustee Brad Wick suggested offering PHCA a set dollar amount per meeting. Mayor New agrees that the focus should be to move toward using Town Hall but the Town is not ready to do this in January. Trustee Brad Wick suggests budgeting \$1600 for the PHCA.

Mayor New presented the idea of budgeting for signs for businesses to advertise.

Trustee Brad Wick wants to budget for a court and an enforcement officer.

Public hearing opened at 7:50pm.

Public comments: Ramon Reed, Pete Olson, John Wise, Cyndi Wick, Patrice Boyd

Motion to continue the public hearing during the regular meeting at 7pm on December 10th 2018 made by Trustee Brad Wick. Seconded by Trustee Suzy Metzler. Motion carried 4-0. (8:13pm)

Public hearing to be continued on December 10th at 7pm.

Adjourn Meeting: Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm

Board of Health Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER/Roll Call** – Mayor Rachel New called the meeting to order at 8:15pm. Trustees Brad Wick, Angela Huckaby, Suzy Metzler and Steve Pinkston were present. Minutes taken by Clerk Sara Gibb.

Mayor New stated that she listened to the audio from the 11/26 meeting. She wanted to confirm the Board's wishes to focus on STRs in January and hold a town hall style meeting prior for public input. Attorney McDonald suggested focusing on a day for the town hall style meeting. Kimberly Bullen from DOLA suggested postponing the "Community Visioning" meeting and that she is available to moderate a town hall style meeting (possible dates 12/11, 12/14). Trustee Suzy Metzler does not want to hold the STR town hall meeting in December. Trustee Brad Wick stated that the public wants more opportunities to comment prior to the Board drafting ordinances. He suggested having a town hall style meeting at the first of the year. Trustee Angela Huckaby wants to move forward with STRs. She does not think a moderator is needed. Trustee Suzy Metzler does not want a moderator.

Trustee Brad Wick would like the Town to consider using the agenda format that Gunnison uses. He stated that there is a distinction between a town hall style meeting and a regular town business meeting. He wants the Board to focus on efficiency during the regular business meeting.

Public comments: Pete Olson, John Wise, Ramon Reed

2. **Discuss EHA staffing**

Mayor New made comments about the discussion at the last regular meeting regarding an email. Mayor New clarified that she was asking the Board for direction on how to respond to an untimely email. The Board seemed to take it in the direction of removing the current interim EHA and replace with the person who sent the email. She stated that the counsel disregarded points of procedure for moving in and out of position. In the summer, the Board decided to fill the position with an interim. Does the Board treat the EHA interim with the same rules that govern someone in the full-time position? If that is the case, someone should not be dismissed without due cause. Mayor New read from the recently adopted commissioner ordinance. BOH member Suzy Metzler does not believe the interim EHA is a commissioner.

BOH member Suzy Metzler stated that Cyndi Wick was applying for the Environmental Health Agent and not the interim position. She stated that there is a problem with the ordinance.

BOH member Suzy Metzler stated that the OWTS ordinance needs to change. She does not believe the Town will find a person to serve as EHA who can do all the things required in the ordinance. She wants to get the ordinance changed so the Board can get Cyndi into place.

BOH member Angela Huckaby stated that in her observation, procedure isn't cutting it. Procedure takes months and months. She stated there is deliberate ignoring of certain requests.

BOH member Brad Wick suggested tabling the item and discussing the ordinance. He would like the authority of Regulation 43 to be removed from the EHA and Sanitarian and have the zoning board manage OWTS. He does not believe one or two people should have that much power.

There was discussion regarding inspections and obtaining OWTS records.

Mayor New shared information from an email from Chuck Cousino that confirms that the Town's ordinance adopting Reg 43 is valid, even with the recent revisions that were made (for clarity) to Regulation 43.

There was discussion on how to restructure the ordinance.

The Board would like a subcommittee to review the OWTS ordinance. BOH member Brad Wick will draft a "tasking" document for an OWTS committee. He would like the Board to recruit participants for the committee. He suggests Edwin Watters, James Sharpton and an installer be on the committee. Also Schmalz and Williams if they are willing.

Public comments: Pete Olson, Ramon Reed, Cyndi Wick, John Wise

3. Discuss and vote on OWTS ordinance application and enforcement

BOH member Suzy Metzler would like to sign off on the systems that have no first inspection since there will be no way to obtain those. She suggested retroactively granting the variance for the Rupp system. Mayor Rachel New stated that it would be

BOH member Brad Wick stated that the issue with 724 State OWTS is a "biggie."

Mayor New asked if the final engineer's report for 724 from Jerry Greene was available, could the BOH approve the system?

BOH member Brad Wick stated that his issue with 724 is the distance from the creek. He stated that a 50-foot setback applies to this system. He does not believe the homeowner should have to dig up the system. This is the Town's mistake.

The BOH would like the Town to contact the homeowner for required information – TAYLOR, GARETSON,

Public comments: Ramon Reed, John Wise, Pete Olson, Cyndi Wick

4. Discuss procedure for OWTS ordinance review/revision

Discussed under item 2

Adjourn Meeting: Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

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