

MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING

RIDGWAY TOWN COUNCIL

JUNE 26, 2017

The Town Council convened for a joint workshop at 5:05 p.m. with the Ouray County Commissioners at the County Land Use Office on Mall Road, Ridgway, Colorado. Councilors Austin, Hawse, Hunter, Williams were in attendance, Mayor Clark participated by telephone. Councilor Young and Mayor Pro Tem Johnson were absent.

Town Clerk's Notice of Workshop Meeting dated 6-19-17.

The Council met with the County Commissioners and staff to continue a discussion from October regarding preparation of a pre-annexation agreement for the 37 acre parcel of county property adjacent to Town limits, currently housing the road and bridge and land use offices. The County wishes to build structures for emergency services and other county offices, which would relocate from the courthouse. The Commissioners expressed the need to connect to Town water and sewer services.

There was discussion and it was agreed by both boards to direct staff to meet and draft a preliminary memorandum of understanding, which should include projected dates for an annexation agreement, annexation targeted the end of 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The Council resumed the workshop meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Ridgway Community Center, 201 N. Railroad Street, Ridgway Colorado. Councilors Hawse, Hunter, Williams and Mayor Pro Tem were in attendance. Councilors Austin, Young and Mayor Clark were absent.

The Town Manager presented a request from Mayor Clark to sign a letter of support with Mountain Pact in support of the Paris Climate Agreement. The Council discussed the request and asked that it be placed on the regular meeting agenda to allow full Council participation.

Manager Coates presented a request from the Mayor to sign a petition requesting Tri-State allow San Miguel Power Association to generate ten percent of their electricity from local renewable energy products. The Council agreed the item should be placed on the regular meeting agenda to allow full Council participation in the discussion.

The Council received a memorandum from the Town Manager dated 6-26-17 pertaining to the 2011 Land Use Plan objectives and priorities. She explained each year staff looks at objectives to develop strategies for implementation, and suggested this year to focus on development within the River Corridor. She noted staff is proposing to require a conditional use permit for development in all zones within the corridor. The Council agreed to a draft ordinance being presented at the next regular meeting which addresses restrictions in the river and wildlife corridors and public access.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Kraft, MMC
Town Clerk