

**TOWN OF ARRIBA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Monday, February 20, 2012
Arriba Town Hall, 711 Front Street, Arriba, CO 80804**

Call to Order

Mayor Ted Grundmeier called the meeting to order at 7:30. Roll call for the Arriba Town Board was read and those answering were Troy McCue, Jody Schiffers, Karen Kovar, Bob Rush, Susie Mills and Alex Flores.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ted Grundmeier.

Public Audience included Nikki Jaques, Bobbie Jaques, and Mike Kelly. Nikki Jaques requested permission from the Board to keep 2 goats in Town behind her house for a 4H project. She wanted them close to her so she could take care of them responsibly. She said that she had a steer last year for 4-H and had kept it several miles out of Town at her cousin's house. This didn't work very well because of the distance there were times where she wasn't able to get out there. The goats would be in Town from March to August.

Mayor Grundmeier said that this could be added to the agenda for the Board to discuss more.

Mike Kelly explained that he worked for Black Hills Energy. He said that he had worked with Tom Rush a lot during the water project. He explained what his job was with BHE. He said that Black Hills Energy was working on switching Arriba to a newer meter reading system and possibly replacing some older meters. Ted Grundmeier thanked him for coming to the meeting.

Approval of Agenda Ted Grundmeier asked that 'Goats in Town' 'Election' and 'Roadway' be added under new business. Trustee McCue moved to approve the Agenda as amended, Trustee Schiffers seconded and the motion passed.

Approval of the Minutes Mayor Grundmeier said that he had a spelling correction for the minutes. Trustee Kovar moved to approve the minutes as amended from the January 9th Regular meeting. Trustee Rush seconded and the motion passed.

Approval to Pay February Bills

There was discussion on the bill from 18th Judicial District. Trustee McCue explained that this was a mandatory fee that the Town had to pay yearly.

Kendra Brent said that Josie Hart had asked that her mileage reimbursement for taking Town deposits to the Bank be added to the bills. The amount was \$51.70.

Tom Rush said that Bob Rush had helped him for 5 hours and Ed Johnson had helped him for 12 hours on a water tap installation. The Board agreed that Ed Johnson would be paid \$8 dollars an hour and that Bob Rush would be paid \$10 dollars an hour. Both of these would be added to the February bills.

Trustee McCue moved to approve the amended February bills for payment, Trustee Flores seconded and the motion passed.

2 Goats in Town Ted Grundmeier said that Town ordinance restricts hooved animals within Town limits but that the original ordinance had been amended several years ago to allow hooved animals in Town with Board permission if they were to be part of a 4-H project.

Trustee Mills thought that Nikki Jaques would need to ask her neighbors if they were okay with her having goats.

The Board discussed the paper work that might need to be filled out for this.

Trustee Flores made a motion to allow Nikki Jaques to keep her 4-H goats in Town limits on her property. These goats will probably only be in Town from March through August.

Trustee Kovar seconded and the motion passed.

Elections Trustee Flores, Trustee Kovar and Trustee Schiffers positions are up for election in April. The Board discussed the nomination petitions and discussed if there had been any interest from citizens to run for Trustee. The Board discussed the requirements for running, these include: candidate must be 18 years old, must be a registered voter and must have been a resident for a year. The date of the election is Tuesday April 3rd.

The Board instructed Kendra Brent to put notices of the election up at the post office and DJ's Petro.

The Board discussed who would be swearing in the new trustees. The Board agreed that Dolle Lehrkamp who is the Town's Municipal Judge should do the swearing in.

The Board looked over the nomination petitions. The petition requires a minimum of 10 signatures and is due back March 2nd.

Roadway Trustee Rush explained that he and his dad own a piece of property on the north side of Town that is right east of Town property. They will be putting a fence up on the east side of this property, after fencing there will probably not be enough room to drive trailers or equipment through. Trustee Rush asked if the Board would give them permission to access the trail from the Town's property to Rush's property as this might be their main way of accessing their property. The trail goes through the Town's tree clippings area. Brian Milburn also has access to this trail when he needs to get to his pasture which is right behind the Town's property.

Trustee McCue moved to allow Bob Rush and Brian Milburn access through Town property no more than 15 feet right of way to access their properties. Trustee Kovar seconded and the motion passed.

Maintenance Report Tom Rush reported that the county is hauling off the cement from the north Town lots.

Tom said that the gutter needs repaired on the Park Building, Tom had asked Gene Amann to give the Town an estimate of what he would charge to repair this. Gene Amann estimated \$165 to fix the gutter. Trustee McCue moved to hire Gene Amann to do gutter repair on the Park Building. Trustee Alex seconded and the motion passed. This can be paid out of Conservation Trust Fund.

Tom Rush gave a report on 317 Grant. There was no water line going to this property so Tom Rush had to put in a line to this property. Once the tap was hooked up Tom said that he had let the water run for a couple of hours but water was not getting in to the house. Tom Rush said that the service line to the house probably needed to be fixed but this would need to be done by the property owner.

Pat Parker had sent the Town Board a letter concerning changing the lab that the Town uses for water and wastewater testing. The Town has been using Colorado Department of Health and Environment. The state lab has been occasionally losing or accidentally dumping the Town's water samples and subsequently has caused more trips and expense for the Town. Pat Parker suggested that the Town change to Colorado Analytical Labs. Trustee McCue moved to instruct Pat Parker to help the Town switch labs from Colorado Department of Health and Environment to Colorado Analytical. Trustee Flores seconded, motion passed.

Clerks Report Town Clerk Josie Hart did not attend the meeting. The Board discussed and explained that her daughter had been diagnosed with Leukemia and Josie would be taking several weeks off of work but would come in when she can. Trustee McCue explained that he had asked Kendra Brent to temporarily fill in for Josie. The Board thanked Kendra for doing this. Kendra Brent told the Board that she would be working Mondays and Wednesdays, she said that she would be taking a trip to Indiana and would be leaving Wednesday night and wouldn't be back by next Monday. She asked the Board if it was okay if she worked Wednesday and Thursday next week. The Board was fine with this and told her to put a notice on the Town Hall door stating the change in business hours.

The Board discussed paying Josie Hart for her time spent at Town Hall and any work performed at home, and it was determined that she be paid for all time put in on the Town's behalf.

Treasurer's Report Pam Koehn had given the December 2011 report to Trustee Mills. All accounts looked good, no discrepancies had been found.

Trustees Report Trustee Schifferns said she has gotten several complaints about Jason Brent's property. There were concerns about metal blowing around and junk being on both sides of the street.

The Board discussed writing a letter to Jason Brent. Trustee Flores said that he would approach Jason about this. The Board will discuss this again at the next meeting.

Trustee McCue thanked the Board for good communication on the 317 Grant issue.

Trustee McCue explained that he tries to wait for all information to come in before calling everyone on Town matters.

Trustee Flores gave an update on the ISO rating process. The fire department completed the test but will not know the full results for about 5 or 6 months. The ISO requires the trucks to pump 1,000 gallons minimum. The current truck pumps 750 gallons. They also wanted to see 2 fire trucks. There were several other items on the list that the ISO said the fire department needed. The Board thanked Trustee Flores for handling this.

Mayor Report Mayor Grundmeier thanked Trustee Flores for taking over for him in his absence, and thanked the rest of the Board for all they do. Mayor Grundmeier said that he would be heading back to Arizona at the beginning of March and would be back in May.

Adjournment There being no further business to bring before the Board, Trustee Flores moved to adjourn the meeting, Trustee Kovar seconded. Mayor Grundmeier adjourned the meeting at 9.14.

Submitted by _____

Signed by _____

Approved by the Board on _____