

**TOWN OF ARRIBA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Monday September 8, 2014
Arriba Town Hall, 711 Front Street, Arriba, CO 80804**

Call to Order

Mayor Flores called the meeting to order at 7:31. Roll call for the Arriba Town Board was read and those answering were Troy McCue, Karen Kovar, Jody Schiffers, Caleb Brent, and Marcella Flores. Mike Koehn was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Caleb Brent.

Public Audience included: Maria Root, Kay Willoughby, Harvey Dumcum, Bernie Koch, Michael Shirley, Will and Jack Rowe, Ed E. Schiffers and Ted Grundmeier.

Approval of Agenda Trustee McCue moved to approve the Agenda as written. Trustee Kovar seconded and the motion passed.

Approval of Minutes Trustee Schiffers moved to approve the minutes of the August 11 regular meeting and the minutes of the August 26 action meeting. Trustee McCue seconded and the motion passed.

Approval of Accounts Receivable and Payable August Clerk Hart told the Board that the check to Leroy King was reimbursement for health insurance. Since the Town only has one full time employee the policy has to be in Leroy's name and paid by Leroy. The Town then reimburses him. Clerk Hart answered a few questions concerning details on a few of the receivables and payables. Trustee McCue moved to approve the accounts receivable and payable for August. Trustee Schiffers seconded and the motion passed.

Approval to Pay September Bills Trustee Schiffers moved to approve the September bills, Trustee Kovar seconded and the motion passed.

Marijuana Ordinance Trustee Schiffers moved to adopt the Marijuana Ordinance # 138, adding a statement in the ordinance that the ordinance will expire in 3 years. Trustee McCue seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Code Enforcement Trustee Brent said that he was concerned with the way ordinance #112 was written. He felt that the people that had been sent letters were not in violation of the ordinance. He questioned if the Board had determined if these properties were actually in violation. The Board discussed how Monte Rand's property and Kenny Mills property were in violation because of the safety hazards on their property.

There was discussion on how if the property is a nuisance to a neighbor, the property owner can put up a privacy fence.

Trustee Brent was concerned that the Town needed to have more proof and documentation that the property is in violation in case the property owner takes the Town to court. He felt that the Town needed to have pictures of the properties in violation.

The Board discussed how sending out letters to property owners asking that they take care of the safety issues was the first step in the process.

Trustee Brent asked if there were any ordinances or regulations on fences or fencing. The Board agreed that the only ordinance that addressed fences was a section in ordinance #112. Trustee Brent was concerned about problems that could arise over a fence that was too tall.

Dog Ordinance Trustee Schiffers said that today was municipal court and Clint Rand did not show up. She asked Clerk Hart what Dolle Lehrkamp suggest should be the next step. Clerk Hart said that she was unable to contact Dolle Lehrkamp so she did not know.

The Board reviewed the Town of Limon's dog ordinance and dog impounding ordinance.

Trustee Schiffers said that she would want an owner of an aggressive dog to carry liability insurance of \$250,000.

Trustee Schiffers said that 'Tailgate' Clint Rand's pit-bull dog, was on her property a few mornings ago standing up against the windows of her house.

Maria Root told the Board that a white pit-bull dog with a black spot on it's butt was in her garage the other day. She said that it did not act aggressive to her, it ran off when it saw her. The Board reviewed a statement from Marilyn Litzenberger stating that a white pit-bull dog with a black spot on it's butt followed her down the street when she was out walking.

There was discussion about Wes Rand's pit-bull dog getting out of the house and attacking a dog being walked on the street.

Will Rowe said that he felt that Clint Rand's dog 'Tailgate' seemed to be a sweet, behaved dog, but that all dogs are territorial. And that since this was a pit-bull terrier kind of dog he felt that the safety issue was serious.

The Board discussed just adopting Limon's dog Ordinance in its entirety as a new ordinance that would supersede Arriba's other dog ordinance. The Board instructed Clerk Hart to draft a copy of the dog ordinance to fit Arriba and the Board will review it at the September 23rd action meeting.

There was brief discussion about stating in the ordinance that impounded/unclaimed dogs would be taken to a no kill shelter.

Park Grant Trustee McCue told the Board that he would be attending the Tourism Board meeting on Thursday, September 18th at 9:00am to make the request for money for the park equipment. He told the Board that he would be requesting around \$2,500 - \$3,000. Trustee McCue said that he has been in contact with Erin Starr with the Colorado Health Foundation (where the Town hopes to get the grant from) and has gotten a lot of ideas of how new park equipment could benefit the community and tourism.

Christmas Lights The Board reviewed pricing for light pole Christmas decorations. Prices were between \$250 and \$450. Trustee McCue said that he would request \$2,500 - \$3,000 from the Tourism Board for Christmas lights.

The Board discussed which designs should be purchased, snowflake designs being a favorite. There was also discussions on decorating trees in the park. It was suggested having business and families in town sponsor/adopt a tree to decorate.

There was discussion about if the prison makes Christmas light decorations.

Maintenance Leroy King said that Pat Parker has been trying to schedule a time to have the pipestand repaired. Leroy King said that Pat Parker is going to come out and do water samples again. Leroy King said that he's been working with a guy from Colorado Rural Water on the studying for his water and wastewater license. Leroy King said that he has been keeping very detailed notes of all the work he does for the Town.

Clerks Report Clerk Hart gave the Board the petty cash report and requested another \$100 for petty cash. Trustee McCue moved to approve \$100 for petty cash. Trustee Schiffers seconded and the motion passed.

Clerk Hart told the Board that she has been having trouble getting a retirement fund set up for Leroy King. She said that the company the Town had used for Tom Rush has not gotten back with her. The Board suggested calling one of the insurance agents in Limon or calling the Town's property insurance agent.

Clerk Hart asked the Board what they wanted to do with the Town's old computer tower. The Board agreed that the hard drive should be wiped and/or destroyed. Ted Grundmeier said that he could do this for the Town. The Board agreed that this was fine. Will Rowe suggested donating the computer to a school after the memory is cleaned.

Treasurers Report The Board reviewed the Treasurer's report. All accounts looked good. No discrepancies had been found.

Trustees Report Trustee Brent apologized for missing the last meeting and not bringing 2 dozen cookies to the Concert in the Park.

Trustee Schiffers said that there was a situation where someone had the water turned off at their property one day then the next day wanted the water turned back on. She felt that this person needed to be charged a reconnection fee of \$15. Clerk Hart said that the reconnection fee was actually \$25. The Board agreed that the Town needed to start charging the reconnection fee.

Trustee Schifferns said that the other day there were kids in the park at 2 in the morning and the sheriff came through and sent them all home. Trustee Schifferns felt that the Town needed to have a sign that stated park hours.

The Board discussed possible hours and agreed on summer hours being 7am -12am and winter hours being 6am-10pm.

Trustee Schifferns said that someone had told her that the pictures on the website were nice but needed to be updated, especially the pictures of Leisure Pines. Trustee Brent volunteered to take pictures.

Trustee Schifferns told the Board that Leroy King had checked the water pressure at 224 Main Street and the pressure was 44 lbs.

Trustee Kovar said that a resident had requested College Ave be treated for dust. This resident also requested speed bumps for College Ave. The Board discussed how several years ago the Town had treated College Ave with mag chloride but that it didn't work well at all.

The Board discussed different solutions for the dust issue on College Ave, they agreed that there really wasn't much they could do unless the Town could get funding for it to be paved and maintained.

Trustee McCue said that there is a CML meeting in Limon on October 7th. He said that they were trying to get as many people to attend as possible. He said there would a free dinner and then CML would talk about legislative issues, and municipal law and municipal government. He said that he would get more information for the Board about this meeting.

Mayors Report Mayor Flores had nothing to report.

Adjournment. Mayor Flores adjourned the meeting at 8:38pm.

Submitted by: Josie Hart

Signed by:

Approved by the Board on: October 13, 2014