

**TOWN OF SILVERTON  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 21, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, which was properly posted, was called to order by Mayor Chris Tookey @ 7:35 PM at the Silverton Town Hall.

Mayor: Christine M. Tookey  
Trustees: Malcolm MacDougall, Tiffany deKay, Peter Maisel, David Zaroni, Larry Gallegos. Carla Safranski was not in attendance.  
Staff: Sara Mordecai, Blair Runion, John Sites  
Administrator: Bill Gardner  
Others: Please see sign-in sheet

**I. Staff and/or Board Revisions to Agenda:** Mayor Tookey requested that we move item C. from new business to item A. in new business so that our presenter from San Miguel Power can leave at a reasonable time.

**II. Public comment regarding agenda items:** None

**III. Appointments:** None

**IV. Consent Agenda:**

- A. Payroll, Accounts Payable, Minutes from 1/25/2016, 2/8/2016, 2/23/2016, sales tax chart
- B. Liquor License Renewal – The Pickle Barrel
- C. Liquor License Renewal – Teller House Restaurant
- D. Liquor License Renewal – Gold Bar
- E. Letter of Support for DRHS
- F. Letter of Support for Miner’s Union Hospital

**Trustee MacDougall motioned and Trustee Gallegos seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.**

**V. Department Reports:**

Public Works Director John Sites announced that we have been awarded the \$25,000 administrative Infrastructure Grant from DOLA. There is \$25,000 match on this. The work from this grant will include but is not limited to a rate study that will tell us where we stand in terms of sustainability and what our priorities should be both large and small.

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There will be upcoming work with an attorney to develop a source water protection plan. That will need to be passed through ordinance by the board. We need to have first right of refusal. Please be on the lookout for that. Public works is beefing up chlorine safety. They want to install two gas detectors at two separate sites to not only protect the staff but also the public. There is a \$10,000 safety grant he will know more about that in April. New regulations from the state and EPA will require Town to check commercial properties backflow. This is a mandated policy. The Town may have to pass an ordinance requiring cooperation from owners so that we stay compliant.

Blair Runion reported on the Iron Horse. She noted that only nonprofits will have access to setting up booths in the park. The Veterans Memorial train will happen again and that American Legion members will walk/lead the veterans from the depot to the park upon arrival. She talk about the Grand Imperials request for a block party permit. In addition Blair talked about her plans that are coming together for a series of music events in the Memorial Park this summer.

Administrator Gardner mentioned the multifamily rental units. The project is being led by the county but we will be collaborating closely. Also that the Town is researching a property on Cement St. where we would like to possibly put in infrastructure and lease lots as a tiny home community. Trustee Zaroni – is it in a flood zone? Bill – 500 year zone Mayor Pro Tem Maisel – Are you expecting great pushback from the private sector? Bill – Yes, but the board has approached us to come forward with solutions and that is what we are trying to do because of our housing crisis. These are just some ideas. Trustee Zaroni – Can employers rent the apartments specifically for their employees? Trustee MacDougall – Let’s be sure that the grant will not limit the possible tenants.

Bill MacDougall is working on some solutions to help mitigate our refuse collection issues. We passed our audit with flying colors.

Trustee MacDougal requested to Bill that the VR topic be put at top priority. Bill responded that he was meeting with attorney tomorrow and that it is 1<sup>st</sup> on his list.

Reference a letter from a concerned citizen regarding the Westside improvement district. They would like an opportunity to tax themselves so they can develop infrastructure. Pass the email conversation on to the board.

Trustee Gallegos wanted to comment on the audit and put on the record that our finances are better than they have been for years. Mayor Tookey added that she had a chance to talk to the auditor and he was very pleased with the improvements and outcome.

Mayor Pro Tem Maisel stated that he is pleased there is movement on the Westside.

Fiber is moving forward.

Last, there is a meeting with EPA officials tomorrow, Pete can you attend if available?

**VI. Trustee Reports: None**

**VII. EPA Update:** Last, there is a meeting with EPA officials tomorrow, Pete can you attend if available? This meeting is intended to set parameters for engagement and allow us to meet the new woman in charge.

**IX. Unfinished Business:**

**A. Molas Lake Host Contract Signature**

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Trustee Gallegos stated that he would like to see what other communities are paying their hosts. This is an extremely high salary. Who is certified to utilize the AED and is there any legal responsibility upon the Town if it is used improperly?

Trustee MacDougal replied that they have them at Kendall and there should be no legal concerns about having one on site. Also, the Molas B-Day was a great event and we should think about something similar this year. Mayor Pro Tem Maisel called attention to all of the requested upgrades on the contract. John informed him that those are not guaranteed that they will peck away at them as possible. Trustee Zaroni agrees that the salary is too high. John stated that they are great to work with and he recommends moving forward.

**Trustee MacDougall motioned and Trustee Gallegos seconded to approve the Molas Lake Host Contract. The motion passed with Trustee Zaroni voting no and all others in favor by a roll call vote.**

**VIII. New Business**

**A. SGM Contract Signature**

Paul Hora gave an informational presentation of the lights that he is recommending for the entire town to upgrade too. The LED's have many benefits. The cost right now would save thousands annually after the \$10,000 investment. With the savings that initial investment would be paid off in two years. Trustee MacDougal asked if they would interfere with the DCI grant in which we plan to upgrade posts. The fixtures are universally fitted so that would not be an issue in the future. John Sites stated that in his opinion due to the long term savings it would be irresponsible not to do it. Mayor Tookey says let's do it, we have been talking about this for so long and now seems like the right time. If Michelle can find the money in the budget it's time to move on it.

**Trustee MacDougall motioned and Trustee Gallegos seconded to approve the SMPA contract. The motion passed with a roll call vote.**

**B. Special Even Permit/Liquor License Request – Grand Imperial Hotel**

Blair gave brief overview of party on green.

Jim Harper was present to explain details further to the board. Band, alcohol, fireworks, peaceful fun time.

**Trustee Gallegos motioned and Trustee Zaroni seconded to grant the Grand Imperial's permit request. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote.**

**C. The Colorado Trail Foundation – Molas Lake Request**

Blair – This group comes annually to work on the Colorado Trail. I had them pay for the sites in advance and let them know they would need to request reimbursement for discount if approved. They have 4 sites August 13-20.

Trustee Gallegos acknowledged Blair for sticking to the policy and said that a discount would be appropriate. Trustee's and mayor go back and forth momentarily about the discounted amount, 25% is settled on.

**Trustee MacDougall motioned and Trustee Gallegos seconded to approve a 25% discount to The Colorado Trail Foundation for four campsites. The motion passed with unanimously with a roll call vote.**

**D. Housing Market Study Request**

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Bill Gardner Explained that if the board approved we would be accepting a loan from Region 9 for the six thousand dollars. Bill gave an explanation of the loan terms and stated that he will use the Grand Piano in Town Hall as collateral. He talked briefly about the market study and how qualified he believes that John Prior and associates are. It was also addressed that the private development group Sultan Holdings will contribute and additional \$2,000 to the project so that our study encompasses the home ownership market as well.

**Trustee MacDougall motioned and Trustee Gallegos seconded to approve the Town's \$6,000 contribution towards the market study conducted by John Prior and associates. The motion passed with unanimously with a roll call vote.**

**IV. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Adjourned 9:18 PM**



**Sara Mordecai  
Deputy Clerk**



**Christine M. Tookey  
Mayor**