
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hugo, Colorado

March 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Town of Hugo, Colorado was called to order on March 10, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Bledsoe. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited in unison. The following Trustees answered roll call: Trustee Mason, Trustee Laycock, Trustee Emmerling, Trustee Dobbs and Trustee Salvador. Mayor Bledsoe declared that there was a quorum of the Board present for the transaction of business.

Staff present at this meeting was Town Clerk Maria Nestor, Public Works Director Jeremy Forristall, and Chief Marshal Robert Payne.

Guests were Sherry Payne, Cody Chambers, Todd Messer, Dave Smith, Nyal Smith, Megan Mosher, Troy McCue, and Will Bublitz with the Eastern Colorado Plainsman.

A motion was made by Trustee Laycock and a second was made by Trustee Salvador to approve the agenda as presented. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Laycock and a second was made by Trustee Mason to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2022, regular meeting with a correction. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Megan Mosher representing Lincoln Health gave an update on COVID-19 and talked about the tools the hospital uses to measure or quantify healthcare processes, outcomes, patient perceptions and organizational structures associated with the ability to provide high-quality health care.

Troy McCue representing LCEDC reported that the Sign Shop is drafting the design for the next panel for the sign at the Depot, he is enjoying the storefront progress, and that the LCEDC annual meeting is April 27, 2022.

Mayor Bledsoe introduced the five candidates running in the 2022 election and each candidate spoke for about 3-5 minutes.

Trustee Salvador stated that the Administrative Committee met on March 7, 2022 and discussed the political activity of employees and relatives of employees, the lead lifeguard job description, the general fund, and the Hugo Code of Ethics Policy.

A motion was made by Trustee Laycock and a second was made by Trustee Salvador to approve the Hugo Code of Ethics Policy as written. THE MOTION PASSED WITH TRUSTEES MASON, LAYCOCK, SALVADOR AND DOBBS VOTING IN FAVOR AND TRUSTEE EMMERLING VOTING AGAINST.

Trustee Salvador stated that the Public Works Committee met on March 9, 2022, and discussed the purchasing of a dump truck with a trade in, the 2022 plan for street improvements and allowing turkey hunting on one piece of town owned property. The turkey hunting was tabled until someone from the Department of Wildlife could come speak to the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee Emmerling and Trustee Salvador made a second to approve the trade of an old dump truck towards the purchase of another dump truck. The cost of the dump truck being \$11,000.00. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Clerk Nestor discussed interior upholstered furniture with the Board as being used as patio furniture. The Code Enforcement Officer had labeled it under junk and debris. The Board agreed with the Code Enforcement Officer that interior upholstered furniture was not patio furniture and was junk and debris.

Clerk Nestor reported that she and Chief Payne would be hiring Judge Paul King to replace Judge Vicki Edwards, gave an update on the 2022 Election, gave an update on Cal Ripken baseball, stated that the ad for a lead lifeguard would be running in both the Eastern Colorado Plainsman and the Limon Leader and gave an update on the Hugo Municipal Court.

Public Works Director Forristall explained that he will soon begin testing for GUDI in the water and will be having a training March 30 2022 for this. He also gave an update on the new vault.

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Chief Marshal Payne gave an update on his department and told the Board that he has had no luck in the hiring of a third officer. A Public Safety Committee Meeting was set for Saturday, March 26, 2022, at 10:00 A.M. to discuss a K9 unit.

Trustee Laycock stated that she has helped Chief Payne with the body worn camera grant, the Brownfield Grant for the removal of asbestos just reopened, the Roadmap consultants will be here on March 16, 2022, and March is Colorado Beef Month.

Mayor Bledsoe stated that she had spent time with the Public Works Director discussing a solution for the dump truck. She will also talk to Rod Pelton and update him on the Towns water project and street projects.

Clerk Nestor talked to the Mayor and Trustees about what they can and cannot do regarding speaking to residents about the ballot issue that is on the 2022 ballot.

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee Laycock and a second was made by Trustee Mason to pay the list of bills presented to the Board and to pay any additional bills not on the list upon approval of the Treasurer and Mayor. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Board will be Monday, April 11, 2022, at 7:00 P.M.

The next Administrative Committee Meeting will be Monday, April 4, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Trustee Dobbs and a second by Trustee Salvador to adjourn the meeting. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Lora Bledsoe, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maria Nestor, Town Clerk