

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hugo, Colorado

November 10, 2025, 6:00 PM

Hugo Town Hall Board Room

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Town of Hugo, Colorado was called to order on November 10, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Emmerling. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited in unison. The following Trustees answered roll call: Trustee Emmerling, Trustee Ehlers, Trustee Piper, Trustee Thelen, Trustee Mohan, and Trustee Messer. Mayor Emmerling declared that there was a quorum of the Board present for the transaction of business.

Staff present at this meeting were Clerk Administrator Lancaster.

Guests present were Troy McCue, Chris Rosado, Sr., John LaBourde, Rachel Carson, and via Zoom Ron Farmer, Andrea Buller, and Stephanie Zwick.

A motion was made by Trustee Messer and a second was made by Trustee Mohan to approve the agenda. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2024 AUDIT PRESENTATION:

Ron Farmer with rfarmer, LLC presented the 2024 audit.

A motion was made by Trustee Thelen and a second was made by Trustee Messer to accept the 2024 audit. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

GUEST REPORTS:

Rachel Carson with Lincoln Community Health presented the monthly report highlighting the new orthopedic specialist, the Board Spotlight featuring Dave Stone, An Attitude of Gratitude LCH is celebrating, flu shots, covid shots and gave a Rural Futures overview.

Troy McCue with Lincoln County Economic Development presented the monthly report highlighting Rural Philanthropy Dyas July 8-10, 2026, Opportunity Zone 2.0, affordable housing with a possible “mini-center” for child care and the possibility of an H&R Block office in Hugo.

ACTION ITEMS:

A motion was made by Trustee Thelen and a second was made by Trustee Emmerling to approve the Community Preservation Specialist, Inc 2026 contract. Those voting in favor were Trustee Thelen and Trustee Ehlers. Those voting opposed were Trustee Emmerling, Trustee Mohan, Trustee Messer and Trustee Piper. THE MOTION FAILED.

A motion was made by Trustee Emmerling and a second was made by Trustee Messer to reopen the matured Sewer Fund 6 Month CD at First National Bank of Hugo-Limon for 6 months. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Messer and a second was made by Trustee Emmerling to reopen the matured Sewer Fund Debt Reserve 6 Month CD at First National Bank of Hugo-Limon for 6 months. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlers and a second was made by Trustee Mohan to reopen the matured Water Fund 6 Month CD at First National Bank of Hugo-Limon for 6 months. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlers and a second was made by Trustee Messer to reopen the matured Cemetery Fund 6 Month CD at First National Bank of Hugo-Limon for 6 months. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Messer and a second was made by Trustee Thelen to reopen the matured Sales & Use Tax Fund 24 Month CD at First National Bank of Hugo-Limon for 6 months. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlers and a second was made by Trustee Messer to approve GMS, Inc. moving forward with the collection system replacement between 5th St and 6th St and between 4th St and 5th St. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Messer and a second was made by Trustee Thelen to approve of GMS, Inc. to conduct a study of the Roundhouse Estates and in conducting a tap fee study for the Town. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Thelen and a second was made by Trustee Mohan to approve the donation of a burial space to the Lincoln County Coroner for use in the burial of unclaimed remains and waiving burial fees for that burial space with no other fees waived at this time. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

A motion was made by Trustee Ehlers and a second was made by Trustee Mohan to approve October 14, 2025, minutes with corrections. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS:

We have a community meeting tomorrow night to possibly add a 1% sales tax for the pool and Culture and Recreation. We will not look further into combined elections with Lincoln County.

STAFF REPORTS:

Clerk Administrator Lancaster reviewed the Clerk Administrator report.

MAYOR AND TRUSTEE REPORTS:

Trustee Piper discussed that we need to discuss a dog catcher during the next budget meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned.

Kara Emmerling, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sara Lancaster, Town Clerk Administrator