Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

October 13, 2011

- 1. Mayor Wendell Koontz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present were Sheila Maki, Carrie Wingfield, Jane Wills, Dustyn Foster and Lindee Cantrell. Marlin McCracken was not present.
- 2. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Jane Wills moved to approve the minutes for September 8, 2011 as presented, seconded by Sheila Maki, with all in favor.
- 4. Public Hearing Special Zoning Use Review Lawrence Hill

Mr. Hill is asking to be allowed to place a mobile food vending cart at 350 E. Bridge Street. The zoning for that section of Town does not include vending carts. The mobile cart is drive thru and will be off the street in the parking area of the old car wash. He has all licenses from the state and health department to run the mobile food cart. It has a commercial kitchen and steam table. He will remove the cart daily. He has a trash container and the dumpster at the site is available.

Hotchkiss Planning Commission recommended approval of the mobile food cart.

Sheila Maki moved to approve the mobile food vendor cart at 350 E. Bridge Street until the Board of Trustees approve a vendor ordinance or until October 31, 2012, whichever comes first, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.

5. Donation Requests

Bulldog Booster Club

Christi Hawk and Anita Violett were present to request a donation for the Bulldog Booster Club. They gave a list of donations the club has made in the past few years. If they can raise enough money, they have plans to put grass on the infield at the baseball field.

Sheila Maki moved to donate \$500, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, the motion passed with Jane Wills voting against.

KVNF Radio

John Moore was present to represent KVNF. KVNF raised their rental rate to Hoak Media which supplies the emergency warning signal system on the antenna feed televisions and KVNF. Hoak Media will not pay the increase, so KVNF is asking the County, Hotchkiss and Paonia to make up the difference to keep the emergency signal operating. They are requesting \$25.00 per month for 2012. After a lot of discussion Dustyn Foster moved to deny the donation based on the information received, seconded by Sheila Maki, with all in favor.

Hotchkiss FFA – Halloween Party

No one was present to represent Hotchkiss FFA.

Carrie Wingfield moved to donate \$100, seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor.

6. Liquor License Renewal

The Trustees considered the renewal for City Market.

Sheila Maki moved to renew the liquor license, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.

7. Rhonda Duclo was present to present Mayor Koontz a picture poster that was taken at the Library booth at the Delta County Fair. She also gave him a picture poster of his wife, Esther.

8. North Fork 2020

Elaine Brett reported the visit from the Orton Foundation was a success. North Fork 2020 is in the finals for a \$100,000 grant. She is requesting \$2000 in support in 2012 and 2013. She thanked the Trustees for their support.

9. John Marta – Hotchkiss Senior Citizens

Mike Owens represented John Marta. The Senior Citizens are going to replace the door at the east end of the building. John has talked to the building inspector, Tim Hinz about the project. Mayor Koontz asked Mike if the Town could help with the expense of the door. Mike said funding could be found. Sheila Maki moved to authorize Mike to work with John Marta with funding up to \$ 3000, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.

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10. Delta County Economic Development Update

Sarah Carlquist and Matt Brezonick updated the Trustees on what they have been doing in the County. They work with current business and try to bring new businesses to Delta County. They are asking for the annual donation and a partnership with the Town. The Trustees asked them to update the Trustees more often. They said they would do that and thanked the Trustees for past and future support.

11. Hotchkiss K-8 PIT Crew

Becky Kiefer and Harold Burch were present to talk about the old tennis courts at the K-8 school. The PIT Crew (Parent Involvement Team) has taken the old tennis courts on as a project this year. They need to be repaired or removed. They are asking the Town to donate time and equipment if the tennis courts are removed. They are also asking the Town to enclose the ditch to the north of the courts and maybe have sidewalk there someday. Mike Owens stated the ditch is on the list of things to do for the Town. Mayor Koontz asked Becky to come up with a plan and get with Mike. Harold Burch reminded the Trustees of the K-8 beautification day on October 17th and 18th.

12. Sidewalk Ordinance Review/Possible Adoption

Mayor Koontz asked the Trustees to review all the current information and give ideas and suggestion to Clerk Searle. After information is received, Marlene and Attorney Briscoe will put an ordinance together for final review and adoption.

13. Vendor Ordinance Review

Mayor Koontz would like to adopt a vendor ordinance in the first quarter of 2012. He asked that the Trustees get information and comments together so the Trustees can discuss this item at the November meeting.

14. Oak Mesa Coal Exploration Support Letter

Mayor Koontz told the Trustees that BLM is taking public comments on the Oak Mesa coal exploration proposal. Mayor Koontz wrote a letter from the Town Trustees and would like to send it, if approved by the Trustees

Elaine Brett stated she did not feel Oxbow Mine is communicating enough with the surrounding neighbors. Tom Wills stated he felt the letter was very good and explained the Town's concerns. Carrie Wingfield moved to approve the letter, seconded by Sheila Maki, with all in favor.

15. 2012 Budget

The Clerk gave the Trustees the proposed 2012 Budget. The Trustees set a work session for October 27, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

16. Planning Commission Update

Dustyn Foster reported the Commission held the Public Hearing for Lawrence Hill.

They gave the sidewalk and vendor ordinance to the Trustees to consider. They are continuing work on the master plan update.

17. Building Inspector Update

There were no building permits issued in September.

18. Leroux Creek Planning Update

Jane Wills reported there was no meeting.

19. HHS Water Line Project

Engineer Fagan reported the river crossing is almost complete. Sapphire will need a time extension. Engineer Fagan and Mike support the time extension until November 4, 2011. Chuck Pinner, owner of Sapphire Construction was present and explained the river crossing plans.

Sheila Maki moved to approve the time extension for Sapphire Construction, seconded by Lindee Cantrell, with all in favor.

20. Enhancement Project Update

Engineer Fagan reported she is working on the IGA with CDOT. She needs to complete the in-kind portion (FIPI) and see if it will be allowed, if not, the Town will be required to have cash.

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20. (continued) CDOT has approved the in-kind, but she is still working with FHWA (Federal Highway Agency). The FIPI should be complete by next week.

21. Water Plant Update

Engineer Fagan reported we are continuing to work with Pall Corp to get TOC levels down. Tests have been sent and the Town will know in 10 days how the fix is working. The State Health Department is working with the Town on solving problems with Pall.

Engineer Fagan told the Trustees that the State is working on draft regulations for nutrients in the streams. These regulations will not apply to small plants/lagoons for ten years. Most of the funding from the State revolving fund will go to communities with bigger plants to meet the nutrients regulations. This will make it harder to get funding for other projects.

22. Five Minute Public Appearance

None

23. Department Reports

Mike asked if there were questions on his written report. There were none. Mike said the paving of 3rd Street will be early next week. Curb, gutter and paving will be installed on Orchard Street, from 1st to 3rd, next year. Mike has budgeted installation of pipe on the north side of 3rd Street in 2012.

Marshal Miller asked if there were questions on his written report. There were none. He said the police department is ready for Halloween and the reserves will be working that night.

24. Hotchkiss Chamber Update

Marshal Miller reported the Chamber is working on putting together the business symposium. Tom Wills reported the Chambers will be sponsoring "HOT BUCKS" staring in November. People can purchase \$1.00 worth of "HOT BUCKS" for .80 cents and spend them in Hotchkiss by the end of the year. The Town Clerk asked who will be attending the business symposium and what date they prefer. Mayor Koontz and Jane Wills will attend and prefer January 21, 2012.

25. Mayor's Report

Mayor Koontz told the Trustees that there is a Resolution, in their packets, from the Delta County Commissioners concerning the chicken houses for their information.

Monday, October 17th the Gunnison Roundtable will discuss selenium.

26. Town Clerk Report

None

27. Upcoming Events

October 22nd screening of "Bag It" at the Paradise Theater

October 14th Creamery Arts Open Reception

October 21st CASA fund raiser

October 21st Hotchkiss/Paonia football

November 19th Hotchkiss Happening

November 10th Trustee Meeting

October 26th Planning Commission Meeting

October 27th Budget Work Session

28. New Business

None

- 29. Sheila Maki moved to pay all bills, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
- 30. Lindee Cantrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m., seconded by Carrie Wingfield, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marlene F. Searle, Town Clerk

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