

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

January 9, 2014

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wendell Koontz. Those present were Carrie Wingfield, Marlin McCracken, Dustyn Foster, Georgia Hooper, James Roberts and Lindee Cantrell.
2. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Minutes for December 12, 2013  
Carrie Wingfield moved to approve the minutes with a spelling correction to # 16, seconded by Lindee Cantrell, with all in favor.
4. Mayor Koontz introduced Bo Nerlin the new attorney for the Town. Mr. Nerlin said he is looking forward to working with the Town and that he has big shoes to fill after Attorney Briscoe.
5. Special Events Liquor License  
Chuck Sickles requested a license for the Hotchkiss Elks for February 14, 2014 for a fund raiser. They will have dinner, a candy auction and dance.  
James Roberts moved to approve the Special Events Liquor License request for the Hotchkiss Elks on February 14<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. to 12 p.m., seconded by Marlin McCracken, with all in favor.
6. Resolution 2014-1 – Designation of Official Notice Location/Newspaper Posting  
Lindee Cantrell moved to approve Resolution 2-2014, seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor.
7. Enhancement Trials Project Update  
Engineer Fagan stated CDOT had contacted her asking if the Town wanted to surrender all the CDOT funding for the Leonard Trail of \$ 329,000 and the Bridge project of \$ 458,000, or just the Leonard Trail funding.  
The Trustees thought they had surrendered all funding. Engineer Fagan told the Trustees they could split the money. After discussion, the Trustees decided to surrender the Leonard Trail money and have Engineer Fagan talk to CDOT about retaining the Bridge Project money.
8. Water Plant Update  
Engineer Fagan reported the Town contract with Pall is complete. The Town is still waiting on two parts from Pall.  
  
Sewer Line Study  
Engineer Fagan and Town staff have submitted a DOLA grant application for \$ 10,000 to video the sewer lines in Town. After the video is complete, the Town will submit a grant application to DOLA for funding to complete an engineering survey and report. This process will take all of 2014 and into 2015.
9. BLM Resource Management Plan Update  
Mayor Koontz said there will be public meeting in February. Kathy Browning said the Alternative Plan committee will be meeting with BLM to discuss their plan.
10. The Trustees set February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for a worksession with Bruce Bertram to discuss oil and gas.
11. Downtown Improvement Update  
Tom Wills reported the Hotchkiss Chamber Downtown Improvement Committee had their first meeting of the year and discussed the plans for the Bernie Fair Alley project. Rick Sparks and company will do the metal fabrication of the bulletin display structure. They are hoping to have the bulletin display in place by Mother's Day weekend.  
Tom Wills reported that the Chambers will invite artists/artisans to make attachable art designs for the planters. The idea is to mount temporary designs on the planters.
12. Delta County Housing Task Force  
Georgia Hooper said there will be a meeting in March.

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13. Hotchkiss Planning Commission Update  
Tom Wills reported the commission will be working on completing a sign code and downtown improvements.
14. Leroux Creek Planning Update  
Carrie Wingfield reported there was not a meeting.
15. Five Minute Public Appearance  
None
16. Department Reports  
Mike Owens was not present. (Vacation)  
Marshal Miller reported it had been a quiet month.  
The Hotchkiss Santa program went well.  
Marshal Miller is looking at adding a Reserve Officer. He has two Reserve Officers at this time.
17. Hotchkiss Chamber of Commerce Update  
Tom Wills reported that Mary Hockenbery is a new member.  
The Chamber meetings are at the Library at 8:00 a.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month.  
They are having a workshop to discuss the 2014 activities.
18. Mayor's Report  
Mayor Koontz reminded the Scholarship committee to be working on it.  
Mayor Koontz told the Trustees that the annual Town Newsletter costs about \$ 1,000 dollars to copy and mail. This year that newsletter will be posted on the web site, facebook and at the Town Hall.  
Mayor Koontz reported the Gunnison Round Table will have a water informational meeting in February and he will offer the Town Hall or maybe the Senior Citizens room for the meeting.
19. Town Clerk Report  
The Clerk reported the Town election is April 1<sup>st</sup> and the nomination petitions will be available on February 10<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor and three Trustees are open for election.  
The Clerk reported Larry Jakubiak said they served 70 people at the Christmas dinner.
20. Upcoming Events  
HHS Basketball 1/11  
Hotchkiss/Crawford Historical Society - 1/11 Marilyn Tate – History of Rural Schools  
Hotchkiss/Crawford Historical Society – 2/1 Nomi Gray – History of East Redlands Mesa's Elmwood School  
Creamery Arts Center – Open Reception 1/10  
Hotchkiss Library – Seed Swap 1/15  
DECD – Soil Health 1/23  
Hotchkiss Elks – Takes donations all year for their food bank
21. Consideration of Bills  
Carrie Wingfield moved to pay all bills, seconded by Lindee Cantrell, with all in favor.
22. Lindee Cantrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m., seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marlene F. Searle,  
Town Clerk