## Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

## November 13, 2014

- Mayor Koontz called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Those present were Carrie Wingfield, Tom Wills, James Roberts, Dustyn Foster and Hotchkiss High School Student Government. Larry Jakubiak and Lindee Cantrell were not present. HHS Students – Becca Pachl, Kayli Tallent, Martha Harper, Alex Smith, Mae Anderson.
- 2. Mayor Koontz read a quote from Daniel Webster. Becca Pachl, HHS Student Government, read a quote from John Kennedy.
- 3. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Minutes for October 9, 2014
  Paragraph #5, North Fork Valley Restaurant, Paragraph #5 add an "s" to Tom Wills, and paragraph #10 clarify that three of the seven pages are definitions.
  Carrie Wingfield moved to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by James Roberts, with all in favor.
- Mayor Koontz welcomed the HHS Student Government, Student Government Sponsor Mr. Carlquist, and Principal Mike Beard. The Board of Trustees and the HHS students introduced themselves.
   Mr. Carlquist thanked the Hotchkiss Board of Trustees for having the student government at their meeting. Mr. Carlquist gave an update of activities at the high school. The Hotchkiss National Honor Society is have a clothing drive at HHS, there will be a fund raiser for Hotchkiss Grad night at Tucker's Grill & Arcade on 11/15, and HHS will have their annual band/choir and art program on 12/15.
- 6. Liquor License Renewal The Trustees considered the liquor license renewal for B.P.O.E. # 1807. Marshal Miller said there were no problems. Carrie Wingfield moved to approve the renewal, seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor. The Trustees considered the liquor license renewal for Mahalo Beverages (Tri-R Liquor). Marshal Miller said there were no problems. Carrie Wingfield moved to approve the renewal, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.
- Grazing Permit Dan Bolton, 340 Cedar Drive The request is to graze sheep for two to three weeks. There have not been issues in the past. James Roberts moved to approve the grazing of the sheep for up to 3 weeks, seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor.
- 8. Bulldog Booster Club

Anita Violett was present to request a donation. They have completed the new floor in the weight room and are working on a score board for the baseball fields. They also continue their yearly scholarship program. Principal Beard said the Booster Club had donated over \$100,000, over the years, to school projects.

Carrie Wingfield moved to donate \$500, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor. Mr. Beard told the Trustees the HHS Alumni are working toward restoring the "H".

- 9. Donation Requests North Fork Children's Christmas Party Carrie Wingfield moved to donate \$200, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor. Hotchkiss Community Meals Tom Wills moved to donate \$500 for the Thanksgiving and Christmas meals, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
- Ordinance 2014-2 Marijuana Cultivation and Public Consumption Attorney Nerlin said there have not been changes from the first reading. An HHS student asked for an explanation of the Ordinance. Mayor Koontz explained the Ordinance and why the Board is considering this adoption. Carrie Wingfield moved to adopt Ordinance 2014-2, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.

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- Ordinance 2014-3 Sign and Advertising Devices Attorney Nerlin said there have not been changes from the first reading. Tom Wills moved to adopt Ordinance 2014-3, amending the code of the Town of Hotchkiss, seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor.
- 12. Enhancement Trails Project Update Engineer Fagan reported the Town had met with the County and discussed where it would be practical to place the bridge across the river. The County will continue to work with property owners. Public Works is resuming work on the trail by City Market.
- 13. Town Engineer Report
   Engineer Fagan said she is making modifications to the grant/loan application. The DOLA
   application is due December 1<sup>st</sup>.

  The sewer line replacement project is progressing. The Town is asking for \$2,000,000 from
   CWRPDA and DOLA. The CWRPDA money will be a split between loan and grant and the
   DOLA money will be grant. The project will go to bid this winter.
- BLM Resource Management Plan Update Mayor Koontz said the BLM is behind in getting the documents to the public. The information should be to the public the first quarter of 2015.
- 15. Downtown Improvement Update Mary Hockenbery reported they are planning for next year. Most of the planters have been adopted. They are looking at bike racks for the downtown area. Dustyn Foster and Tom Wills will continue work on the Barney/Fair Park.
- 16. Delta County Housing Task Force Update No report.
- 17. Hotchkiss Planning Commission

Tom Wills reported the NF Mosquito Abatement District gave a report to the Planning Commission. They are looking at including more properties into the District. Some areas of Town are being treated but are not paying the mill levy. The property owners have to petition to join the mosquito district. The District will work with property owners. The District will be asking for an increase in mill levy in the 2016 election. They are asking for a \$1,000 donation from the Town in 2015.

The Planning Commission is working on no-impact subdivision regulations. They will give the Trustees these amended regulations in December for possible adoption in January.

- Leroux Creek Planning Carrie Wingfield said no meeting was held.
- 18. Five Minute Public Appearance

Becca Pachl told the Trustees the National Honor Society has been helping with the Helping Hands program at Hotchkiss K-8. The program sends food boxes home on weekends and holidays. They are very short of food this year and the number of children needing food is increasing. They will ask for a donation from the Town in December.

19. Department Reports

Mike Owens asked if there were questions on his written report. There were none. Most of his department report was covered earlier in the meeting.

Marshal Miller reported Halloween went well and the month had been quiet. There will be about 400 hours of training in the next few months for his department. This training is required by the State.

John Sell will be working on the Town's web site to bring it current. Santa will be at the Hotchkiss Fire House on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

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20. Hotchkiss Chamber of Commerce Tom Wills said the minutes for the Chamber meeting were in the Trustees packets. They had their annual meeting last night. There are 93 members. Citizen of the Year – Peace Circle members of the United Methodist Church Non-Profit of the Year – B.P.O.E. #1807 Business of the Year – Hotchkiss Ace Gambles Tom Wills reported that on November 22<sup>nd</sup> the annual Senior Citizen Craft Fair and Memorial Hall Craft Fair will be happening. Also the Church of Art and the Creamery will be hosting events.

- Mayor's Report
  Mayor Koontz said the HHS Scholarship Committee will be meeting soon.
  The Budget work session will be 11/19 at 6:00 p.m.
- 22. Town Clerk Report None
- 23. Upcoming Events HHS Band/Choir/Art Program 12/15 Cheer/Dance Competition 11/15 Hotchkiss Invitational 12/6 Basketball Games 12/2 NHS Bake Sale Fund Raiser 11/29 Crawford Parade of Lights and Festival of Trees 11/28 Church of Art Open Reception 11/14 Creamery Arts Open Reception 11/14 Thanksgiving Community Meal 11/27 NF Children's Christmas Party 12/13
- 24. New Business None
- 25. Consideration of Bills Carrie Wingfield moved to pay all bills, seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor.
- 26. Carrie Wingfield moved to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Marlene F. Searle, Town Clerk