

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

January 8, 2015

1. Mayor Koontz opened the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Those present were Tom Wills, James Roberts, Lindee Cantrell, Larry Jakubiak and Dustyn Foster. Carrie Wingfield was not present.
2. Mayor Koontz read a quote from Harry S. Truman.
3. Minutes for 12/11/14
Larry Jakubiak moved to approve the minutes with a correction to paragraph #15; should state Barney/Fair Park, seconded by James Roberts with all in favor.
4. Liquor License Renewal
The Trustees reviewed the liquor license renewal for the Past Times Tavern. Marshal Miller said there had not been problems.
Lindee Cantrell moved to approve the renewal, seconded by Larry Jakubiak, with all in favor.
5. Rich Bailey - Hotchkiss Sheep Dog Trials
Rich Bailey reported the 2014 sheep dog trials were a success and they are already receiving entry applications for this year. This will be their 12th year for the trials.
Mr. Bailey is requesting a \$500 donation, this money will be used toward the prize money.
Larry Jakubiak moved to donate \$500, seconded by James Roberts, with all in favor.
6. Resolution 2015-1 Designation of Official Notice Location and Publication
Larry Jakubiak moved to adopt Resolution 2015-1, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.
7. Ordinance 2015-01 - Sewer Rate Increase as an Emergency Ordinance
The Trustees discussed the rate increase of \$5.00 per tap. Attorney Nerlin and Engineer Fagan will complete the ordinance with attachment "A", which explains the surcharge, and the Clerk will publish as an emergency to be effective January 1, 2015.
Tom Wills moved to adopt Ordinance 2015-01 to increase sewer rates, seconded by Larry Jakubiak, with all in favor. The Mayor was included in this vote.
8. Ordinance 2015-02 Amendment to Water and Sewer Ordinances
Attorney Nerlin told the Trustees this ordinance is for allowing water and sewer hookups for garages and out buildings that will not be used for living units and that would not change an existing use. This Ordinance will be considered for adoption at the February meeting.
Mayor Koontz asked the Trustees to give their comments to the Clerk and she will forward to the Attorney. The Trustees asked Attorney Nerlin to check on the structure of the permit process, a system for reporting changes of use, and the type of buildings this ordinance would include.
9. Enhancement Trails Project Update
Nothing new.
10. Town Engineer Report
Engineer Fagan reported the first draft of the loan documents from CRWDA are being reviewed by Attorney Nerlin. There will be a conference call with the bond council, Attorney Nerlin, Engineer Fagan and the Town Clerk to discuss the loan documents. Some survey work is being done. It will be June before a contract is signed with DOLA for the sewer line project. Engineer Fagan is working on some of the environmental issues at the sewer ponds, the bird issue and the wet lands area.
11. BLM Resource Management Plan Update
Mayor Koontz did not have an update.
12. Downtown Improvement Update
Mary Hockenbery said they are starting their regular monthly meetings to prepare for summer. They are discussing flower planters, bike racks, and downtown art. The next meeting is 1/20/15 at 8:30 a.m. at the Coal Train.
Mary showed the Trustees the painting, selected by the Chamber, for the Welcome to Hotchkiss sign on HWY 133.

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13. Delta County Housing Task Force Update
Larry Jakubiak said there was not a meeting.
14. Hotchkiss Planning Commission Update
Tom Wills said they are continuing work on the Downtown Improvement plan.
15. Leroux Creek Planning Update
No meeting.
16. Five Minute Public Appearance
Kathy Browning thanked Mayor Koontz and the Trustees for the letter to the VA in support of Dale Maxwell. Mayor Koontz said he would continue to follow up with the VA.
17. Department Reports
Marshal Miller reported the Santa Program went well. He reported the department will be continuing state mandatory training. Deputy Shaklee and Lloyd will attend between 60 and 80 hours in training this year.

Larry Jakubiak said there were 87 people at the Christmas dinner. The dinners have been provided for 25 years and will continue. He thanked the Town and the volunteers for their help.

Mike Owens asked if there were questions on his written report. There were none.
Mike is still working on a price for a sander.
Mike has talked to DMEA about replacing street lights. When a light goes out they will be replacing with LED lights. If the Town replaced all lights in Town the cost would be between \$50,000 and \$100,000. The current lights cannot be replaced, so it is something to think about.
The three water tanks will be inspected and repaired this year, if needed.
18. Hotchkiss Chamber Update
Mary Hockenbery reported they voted and selected the painting for the Welcome to Hotchkiss sign.
19. Mayor's Report
Mayor Koontz told the Trustees that Marlene was appointed to the Crawford Town Board until 4/16, to fill a vacancy.
He and the Department Heads and are preparing the 2015 Citizen News Letter.
The Neighborhood Watch will hold a fund raiser dinner on February 8th at Memorial Hall.
The Trustees and HHS meeting will be April 9th at HHS.
The Town Community Spirit Scholarship will be sent to HHS and the winners will be announced at the Trustee/HHS meeting in April.
The Town of Crawford will have an open house in April for the remodeled Town Hall.

Mayor Koontz asked if the Trustees would like to donate to the North Fork Children's Christmas Party in memory of Joe Cocker.
Tom Wills moved to donate \$100 to the NF Children's Christmas Party in memory of Joe Cocker, seconded by Lindee Cantrell, all in favor.
20. Town Clerk Report
The Clerk thanked the Trustees for the Christmas gift cards.
The Clerk reported on the total 2014 building permits issued.

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21. Upcoming Events
Library Seed Sorting at Church of Art 1/22
Creamery Arts Open Reception 1/9
Church of Art closed the month January
Mayor Koontz gave dates for HHS Sports
22. Consideration of Bills
Lindee Cantrell moved to pay all bills, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.
23. Adjournment
Lindee Cantrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Larry Jakubiak, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene F. Searle, Town Clerk