

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

April 15, 2015

1. Mayor Koontz called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Those present were Carrie Wingfield, Lindee Cantrell, Tom Wills, James Roberts, Dustyn Foster. Larry Jakubiak was not present.
2. Mayor Koontz and HHS Student Government President Becca Pachel read quotes from Abraham Lincoln.
3. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. Mayor Koontz thanked the HHS Student Government for hosting the Trustee meeting. HHS Student Government present were, Becca Pachel, Duncan Turnbull, Martha Harper, Parker Katzdorn, Alex Smith and Shianne Wright.
5. Minutes - March 12, 2015
Lindee Cantrell/HHS Student Alex Smith moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Dustyn Foster/HHS Student Shianne Wright, with all in favor.
5. Public Hearings
 1. Variance Request for Keeping of Live Stock In Town -
Mr. & Mrs. Hamm, 924 Cedar Drive
Mrs. Hamm requested keeping of two nanny goats. She will breed them for butcher. They have 6 1/2 acres of land with 3 1/2 in pasture. The goats will be in a pen.
Mayor Koontz asked for public comment;
for - none
opposed - none
Mayor Koontz read a letter from Charles Overstreet, 862 Cedar Drive, he is not opposed, he requested the goats not be penned next to his property. Mrs. Hamm said the goats would not be next to his property and the area where the goats are penned will be fenced.
Mayor Koontz closed the Public Hearing comment section.
Attorney Nerlin stated the regulations allow for some livestock, but not goats. The Trustees can grant an exception/variance.
Tom Wills moved to approve an exception to allow two nanny goats contingent on a written plan for the fenced area and noting they have 6 1/2 acres and will meet the regulation within that ordinance, seconded by Carrie Wingfield/HHS Student Martha Harper, with all in favor.
 2. Resolution 2015-2 First Reading
Hotchkiss Downtown and Highway Corridor Improvement Plan
Tom Wills explained this is a five year plan for improvements to the downtown area. This is an amendment to the Town's Master Plan.
The Hotchkiss Planning Commission has adopted the plan and the Trustees need to approve by Resolution.
Mayor Koontz asked for public comment;
for - Nathan Sponseller, President, Hotchkiss Chamber of Commerce said this plan brings the Trustees, Chambers and community together to improve the downtown area.
opposed - none
Mayor Koontz closed the Public Hearing comment section.
The resolution will be considered for adoption at the May Trustee meeting.
6. HHS Good News
Principal Beard reported on the activities going on at HHS.
7. Town of Hotchkiss and Community Scholarship Recipients
Mayor Koontz and Mayor Pro-Tem Carrie Wingfield presented the 2015 scholarships to Alexis Wilson and Tyrell Clock.
8. Principal Mike Beard Retirement Presentation
Becca Pachel read a bio on Mr. Beard prepared by Mrs. Beard. Mayor Koontz presented a Proclamation to Mr. Beard setting May 22, 2015 as Principal Mike Beard Day. Mr. Beard was given a gift from the Town Board of Trustees. Mr. Beard thanked the Trustees, the students and his wife Kelly.

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9. Mr. & Mrs. Doug Nolte - Variance Request - Out of Town Water Tap
The Nolte's live outside the Town limits at 748 Maple Drive and would like to have water to their shop and are asking for a variance from the current Town code that requires a purchase of a new tap and the installation of a water line from the Town main to the shop. The main Town water line is considerable distance, about one mile, and would require easements from two other property owners and the County. The Nolte's have come before the Trustees and Planning over the last ten months to discuss this situation.
At the March 25, 2015 Planning Commission meeting the Commission recommended approval of a temporary variance to code allowing the Nolte's to connect the shop to their current water service for 12 months with a review at that time.
The Trustees will be working on an amendment to the current code over the next year.
Carrie Wingfield moved to grant a variance on installing a water line from the main to the shop, seconded by Lindee Cantrell/ HHS Student Alex Smith, with all in favor.
Carrie Wingfield moved to place a one year moratorium on the purchase of a tap until the Town regulations can be reviewed, seconded by Dustyn Foster/HHS Student Shianne Wright, with all in favor.
10. Robin Kauffman - Use of Town Property
Ms. Kauffman, Mad Wrappers, requested the use of the Town property at HWY 92 and 133 for a self-contained food trailer for Ride the Rockies. She has liability insurance and all State required permitting.
Attorney Nerlin told the Trustees if someone else requests use of the property for the same event the Trustees need to consider that request also. Mike Owens said there is a water meter on the property that needs protected, he has no problem with this use, but if this is to continue the Town needs to set regulations for the use. Marshal Miller did not have a problem with the use of the site.
Carrie Wingfield moved to allow the use of the Town property for the food truck, seconded by Tom Wills,
Discussion;
Tom Wills said the Town should consider fees for use and set a policy. Ms. Kauffman said she is willing to donate 10% of sales, Mayor Koontz suggested the Bulldog Booster Club, the Trustees agreed.
The motion passed with all voting for.
11. Special Event Liquor License
 1. Hotchkiss Chamber of Commerce - Ride The Rockies
Nathan Sponseller, President, said they will have a beer and wine garden at the Delta County Fair Grounds for Ride The Rockies on June 15th. They will also have entertainment and nonprofit groups. They will have wrist bands and security on site.
Marshal Miller said he did not have a problem with the granting of this license.
Lindee Cantrell moved to approve the Special Events Liquor License, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
 2. Outdoor Alive
Terry Commander said they will have a dinner at Heritage Hall at the Delta County Fair Grounds on May 2nd as a fund raiser for Outdoor Alive. Outdoor Alive is a Wounded Warrior group that sponsors military veterans in outdoor activities.
Marshal Miller said he did not have a problem with this event.
Carrie Wingfield moved to approve the Special Events Liquor License, seconded by James Roberts, with all in favor.
12. Hotchkiss K-8 Updates
Principal Mrs. Yantzer, reported the students are working on "Service Beyond Self". This program teaches them to volunteer and work within their community. They have been working on the "H" hill at K-8, the old tennis court garden spot, downtown flower art program, and Spring Fling fund raiser 4/27. They are developing the Bulldog Community Park with 20 to 30 beds of flowers and vegetables. They will be working on a walk path on Lorah Avenue for safety.

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12. (continued) The HHS students help with the K8 Helping Hands program and tutor the students.

Ride the Rockies Bike Tour - June 15th
Mrs. Yantzer represented Hotchkiss at the Ride the Rockies meeting. The riders are very excited about returning to Hotchkiss. Hotchkiss is the most requested stop over by the riders. They will be staying at K8, HHS and the Delta fair grounds. There is a need for host families and volunteers at K8.
On June 23 Colorado Bike Tour will be coming to Hotchkiss. There will be 800+ riders and volunteers will be needed for that also. They will be staying a K8 and HHS.
13. Road Closure Request - Kappa Pi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi
They are asking for a street closure of Hotchkiss Avenue from Pinon to Cedar Street from 8:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. on May 8, 2015 for the annual Fun Run during Hotchkiss Sheep Dog trials. Marshal Miller nor Mike Owens have a problem with the closure.
Tom Wills moved to approve the street closure, seconded by Lindee Cantrell/HHS Student, with all in favor.
14. Ordinance 2015-3 - Intra-Fund Loan Agreement
Water Fund and Sewer Fund

Attorney Nerlin explained the loan is from the Water Fund to the Sewer Fund to pay off a loan with Bank of the West to continue with funding for the sewer line replacement project.
Lindee Cantrell moved to approve Ordinance 2015-3 as an emergency ordinance, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
15. Ordinance 2015-4 - Loan Agreement with CWPRDA
to Finance the Sewer Line Replacement Project

Attorney Nerlin told the Trustees this is the loan documents to finance the project.
Tom Wills moved to approve Ordinance 2015-4 as an emergency, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
16. Ordinance 2015-5 - Subdivision Regulations for Boundary Adjustments
and No-Impact Amendment

This ordinance is to amend the current regulations to clarify boundary adjustments and no-impact adjustments.
Tom Wills moved to approve Ordinance 2015-5, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
17. North Fork Valley Creative Coalition Update
David Mitchell reported they will open an office in the old Price Mine Service building on 7th Street. They will have one employee and be open part time.
Celebrate the Fork will be held August 28th and 29th to promote local food, wines and entertainment.
18. Enhancement Trail Project Update
Engineer Fagan said they are looking at different routes and cost for the river crossing.
19. Town Engineer Report
Engineer Fagan reported the funding for sewer line replacement project is in place. The plans and spec's have been submitted to the health department. Expecting the bids to go out in mid June.
The contractor awarded the job will work with the citizens and businesses during the project and there will be a time limit as to how long the service can be disrupted.
20. BLM Resource Management Plan Update
Mayor Koontz did not have an update.

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21. Downtown Improvement
Tom Wills reported planting will be the first weekend in May. The bike rack construction will start next week.
22. Hotchkiss Planning Commission Update
Tom Wills reported the commission will be working on water ordinance update.
23. Leroux Creek Planning Update
Carrie Wingfield did not have an update.
24. Five Minute Public Appearance
None
25. Department Reports
Marshal Miller asked the Trustees about the Emergency Response Program. This program will cost the Town \$ 1,500 per year. The Trustees will discuss at the May meeting.
Marshal Miller reported the department has been busy with meetings, investigations and training. The Trustees approved the 3% budgeted pay increase for the Deputy's.

Mike Owens reported they will be mowing next week. The HWY cleanup day with HHS and K8 is the 22nd at 9:00 a.m.
The new sander will be ordered next week.
26. Hotchkiss Chamber of Commerce Update
President Nathan Sponseller reported the Colorado Grand will be in Hotchkiss on 9/8. The Chamber members have been working on preparing gift bags for people moving into the community.
27. Mayor's Report
None
28. Town Clerk Report
None
29. Upcoming Events
HHS Prom 4/25
Graduation 5/23
HK8 Spring Fling 4/17
FFA Fish Fry 4/19
Sheep Dog Trials 5/ 8th and 9th
Beta Kappa Fun Run 5/8
NF Pool opens 5/25
30. New Business
None
31. Consideration of Bills
Carrie Wingfield approved the paying of bills, seconded by Lindee Cantrell, with all in favor.
32. Adjournment
EVERYONE

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene F. Searle, Town Clerk

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