# **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

#### Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

May 13, 2021

# 1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Wilkening called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Roll call was taken and present were Mary Hockenbery, Jim Wingfield, Pat Medina and John Marta.

Absent were Sven Edstrom and Patrick Webb

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. CONSENT AGENDA

# MINUTES FOR APRIL 8, 2021

Mary Hockenbery had one correction, the program name that will be assessing the old Public Works site possible cleanup is Brownfields not Brownsfield

John Marta moved to approve the minutes with the above noted correction, Mary Hockenbery seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting "Yes", motion passed.

# MINUTES FOR APRIL 26, 2021

Mary Hockenbery moved to approve the minutes as presented, Jim Wingfield seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting "Yes". Motion passed.

#### MINUTES FOR MAY 5, 2021

Mayor Wilkening found one correction the Adjournment time was 7:41 p.m. not 6:41 p.m. Mary Hockenbery moved to approve the minutes as corrected, Pat Medina seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all trustees voting "Yes". Motion passed.

# 3. CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Mary Hockenbery moved to approve all bills as presented, Jim Wingfield seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting "Yes", motion passed.

#### DON WHITE'S RETIREMENT

At this time Public Works Director Mike Owens congratulated Don White on his retirement, presented him with a card and a check and cake was served. Don White's last day will be May 31, 2021. Don worked for the Town of Hotchkiss for eighteen (18) years.

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT BETWEEN 607 AND 615 JUNIPER STREET-GLEN AND MARY WADLEY

At this time Mary and Glen Wadley were having some problems getting onto the Zoom meeting.

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#### 5. OLD BUSINESS

#### WATER RESTRICTIONS REMINDER

Public Works Director Mike Owens told the Board that the water situation is grim. The water restrictions from last year were never rescinded. He encouraged people with even number addresses water on even number calendar days and people with odd numbered addresses water on odd calendar days. Mike Owens said that the next step would be no outside watering at all.

# HOTCHKISS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE/ONE DELTA COUNTY UPDATE-KIM SHAY

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Kim said that the Hotchkiss Sheep Dog Trials last weekend was very successful. The Chamber is installing a new sign board at the West Entrance of Town.

The Merchant meetings are being held again and anyone interested can be placed on the email reminder list. They are held the first and third Thursday of every month.

The new charging station by the museum is already getting good usage.

#### ONE DELTA COUNTY

There are several business prospects interested in the Delta area and a survey will be put out by One Delta County to see if business owners would like to attend a training.

# 6. PUBLIC COMMENT

John Marta thanked the Public Works crew for piping the water that goes by the Senior Center. This improvement will be really nice this fall.

#### 7. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Town rescheduled the Town's clean up day from April 22 to April 29 due to the schools being on Spring Break. Over 20 Students showed up.

The Trail Group that is making progress but it is still in the preliminary stages so there is not many details to share yet.

Empowered Energy submitted a letter to the Board introducing themselves. The letter was in the packets.

Public Works is accepting applications since Don White is retiring.

Mayor Wilkening is looking at funding options for the water plant to help with the expenses of new membranes and new computers. Brian Redmon with ProVelocity told the Board that he is not worried about the security of the new Water Plant computers. However, the internet connection is still a problem in that area.

The Hotchkiss Sheep Camp Stock Dog Trials was well attended as was the car show held at Zack's.

Please conserve water.

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#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT-GLENN AND MARY WADLEY At this time Glenn and Mary were on the phone ready for the Public Hearing. Mayor Wilkening went over the rules for the Public Hearing.

Mayor Wilkening told the Board that the Planning Commission held a Public Hearing for this Boundary Adjustment for Glenn and Mary between the properties of 607 and 615 Juniper Street and recommended approval to the Board.

Glenn and Mary Wadley told the Board that they would like to remove the lot line between these two properties. They own both and would like to build their house more parallel to the street.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:14 p.m. The hearing closed at 7:14 p.m. with no public comment.

# TRUSTEE DISCUSSION

The Trustees discussed the adjustment for several minutes.

Pat Medina moved to approve the Boundary Adjustment for Glenn and Mary Wadley between the properties of 607 and 615 Juniper Street, Mary Hockenbery seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting "Yes". Motion passed.

### LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL-TACO HUT

Jim Wingfield moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Taco Hut, Pat Medina seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting "Yes". Motion passed.

# ORDINANCE 2021-01 DMEA (DELTA MONTROSE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION) FRANCHISE AGREEMENT-FIRST READING

DMEA representative Jim Heneghan and DMEA Attorney Michelle Thom along with Town Attorney Bo Nerlin told the Board that this Franchise is up for renewal every twenty (20) years. This new agreement closely parallels the last one. This agreement goes into effect thirty (30) days after publication. The Ordinance is published after the second reading in June. Jim Wingfield moved to approve Ordinance 2020-01 a Franchise Agreement between the Town of Hotchkiss and Delta-Montrose Electric Association, an Ordinance granting a franchise by the Town of Hotchkiss, Colorado to Delta-Montrose Electric Association, its successors and assigns to locate, build, construct, reconstruct, replace, modify, upgrade, uprate, relocate, remove, acquire, purchase, extend, maintain, and operate into, within and through the Town of Hotchkiss, Delta County, Colorado. All facilities necessary for or related to the purchase, transmission, and distribution of electricity to the Town of Hotchkiss and the residents, businesses and industry of

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### 8. NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

# ORDINANCE 2021-01 DMEA (DELTA MONTROSE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION) FRANCHISE AGREEMENT-FIRST READING

the Town of Hotchkiss by means of lines, wire, cables, fiber, poles, facilities, equipment or otherwise over, under, along, across and through any and all streets, alleys, viaducts, bridges, roads, lanes and other public ways and places in said Town of Hotchkiss and fixing the terms and conditions thereof, Mary Hockenbery seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting "Yes". Motion passed.

#### PEDESTRIAN SAFETY-KAREN LACEY

Karen Lacey told the Board that she has concerns about the cross walks through Town with the increased traffic from the Little Blue Project that CDOT (Colorado Department of Transportation) is doing. Karen has lived here for 45 years and crossing Bridge Street has always been a problem. Karen complimented the Board on the No Parking signs placed by the Public Works crew on 1<sup>st</sup> and Bridge.

After several minutes of discussion Mayor Wilkening told Karen that he appreciated her concern and CDOT would be talked to as well as discussion about making the crossings safer.

# LEASING OF LAND BY NEW PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING REQUEST DISCUSSION

Hannah Hudson of 1077 Barrow Mesa Road told the Board that she has six (6) cows and would like to lease the property owned by the Town graze them on. An electric fence would be put in place to keep the cows in. Public Works employee, Marvin Jackson, called the extension office to ask about the going rates of leasing pasture. The going rate is \$20 a head per month or \$25 per pair per month. After several minutes of discussion this item was tabled until the June meeting so that Public Works Director Mike Owens and Hannah could discuss this request further.

#### COFFEE WITH A COP REQUEST-DEPUTY JULIA THOMPSON

Deputy Thompson told the Board that Coffee with a Cop will be held on June 12, 2021 at the new coffee shop, Drive Brew. It will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. before the parade for Pioneer Days in Crawford. Deputy Thompson has invited twelve (12) agencies and so far, six (6) agencies have accepted. There will be a Fire Truck, a SWAT vehicle and some police vehicles for the citizens to explore. The Board thanked Deputy Thompson for her hard work on creating this event.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

Pat Medina moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m., seconded by John Marta. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting, "Yes". Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ginger R. Redden, Town Clerk