

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

January 12, 2023

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Wingfield called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A verbal roll call was taken. Present were Patrick Webb, Pat Medina, Tricia McFarland, Sven Edstrom. Absent was John Marta and Custer McLeod.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CONSENT AGENDA
MINUTES FOR JANUARY 12, 2022

Patrick Webb moved to approve the minutes as presented, Tricia McFarland seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting in favor. Motion passed.

3. CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Town Clerk Ginger Redden read the additional bills.

Pat Medina moved to approve payment of all bills as presented, Tricia McFarland seconded. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting in favor. Motion passed.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

5. OLD BUSINESS

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

Kim Shay told the Board that One Delta County and the Chamber of Commerce are both in need of volunteers.

Paonia Chamber of Commerce was taken over by the Delta Chamber of Commerce and it has been disbanded. There are talks of having a combined Chamber of Commerce with Hotchkiss, Paonia and Delta.

ONE DELTA COUNTY UPDATE

Affordable housing has been the topic most recently. Kim encouraged the Town to come up with possible locations for affordable housing in Hotchkiss and she will take it to One Delta County.

EMPLOYEE WAGE SURVEY UPDATE

Chris Lowe needed to reschedule this for the February meeting.

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5. OLD BUSINESS (cont.)
POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT OF NEW PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER
Mayor Wingfield told the Board that two (2) letters of interest were received for the recently vacated Planning Commission seat, one from Tom Wills and one from Jeffrey Rodarte. He called each of the Planning Commission members to discuss the letters. Mayor Wingfield appointed Jeffrey Rodarte as the new Planning Commission member.
6. PUBLIC COMMENT
None
7. MAYOR'S REPORT
Chief Green, Mayor Wingfield and Commissioner Wendell Koontz met with Steve Allen from Homeland Security to tour our schools and make improvements to the safety of it for the students. It is great to look ahead and be proactive.
Attorney Nerlin sent a letter to the PALL corporation about the membranes and the price of them. No response has been received yet.
Chief Green updated the records request form and would like to change the fees associated with the requests. There will be an initial nonrefundable \$5.00 fee to start the process. After the first hour of free research and additional \$30.00 per hour or a rate of the researcher's hourly pay will be charged. Black and white copies will be .25 per page and color copies will be .50 per page. All victims will receive a copy of the reports free of charge. The Clerk's Office will adopt a similar form and fees with a few changes. The change of fees will be submitted to the Board for possible adoption in the February meeting.
Chief Green told the Board that some changes have been made to the schedule for the Police Department. These changes will allow for coverage of the Town 24/7 and allows the Officers more time off to be with their families. This schedule helps cut down on overtime, on call time and can be subject to change at any time.
Public Works Director Mike Owens is on vacation at this time but will be back in February.

TOWN HALL UPGRADE INFORMATION
The potential contractor came in earlier this week with the electrician and will have the low voltage person come in by the end of the week to look over the building as well.
8. NEW BUSINESS
SPECIAL EVENTS LIQUOR LICENSE-DELTA HEALTH FOUNDATION-DARNELL PLACE WISE
Pat Medina moved to approve the Special Events Liquor License for Delta Health for the Delta Health Foundation. This is the annual fundraiser to be held at Heritage Hall on Saturday, January 21, 2023, from the hours of 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., seconded by Sven Edstrom. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustee voting in favor. Motion passed.

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8. NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

RESOLUTION 2023-01-RESOLUTION FOR PUBLIC NOTICE LOCATION AND PUBLIC NOTICE

Pat Medina moved to adopt Resolution 2023-01 A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Hotchkiss, Colorado designating the official public notice location and the official newspaper of general circulation for the Town of Hotchkiss, Colorado, seconded by Tricia McFarland. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting in favor. Motion passed.

OLD PUBLIC WORKS SHOP BUILDING UPDATE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pat Medina moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to 24-6-402(4)(b) for the purpose of receiving legal advice and 24-6-402(4)(e) for matters subject to negotiation regarding the possible sale of the Hotchkiss Shop Building, 222 W Bridge Street, Hotchkiss, Colorado, seconded by Patrick Webb. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting in favor. Motion passed. The time was 6:59 p.m.

The recording of the Executive Session was stopped at 7:01 p.m. due to Attorney/Client Privilege.

RETURN TO OPEN MEETING

The recording of the meeting was turned back on at 7:52 p.m.

Mayor Wingfield read the following.

The time is now 7:52 p.m., and the executive session has been concluded. The participants in the executive session were Mayor Jim Wingfield, Patrick Webb, Tricia McFarland, Pat Medina, Sven Edstrom, Attorney Bo Nerlin (via Zoom), Larry Wilkening (via Zoom), Mary Hockenbery, Town Clerk Ginger Redden and Deputy Town Clerk Ashley Rodarte.

For the record, if any person who participated in the Executive Session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the Executive Session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, I would ask that you state your concerns for the record. Seeing none, the next agenda item is....

POSSIBLE MOTION FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pat Medina moved to direct staff to create an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the Bone/Levine group to purchase the old Town of Hotchkiss Public Works shop building located at 222 W Bridge Street in Hotchkiss pursuant to the terms of the submitted RFP (Request for Proposal) and response as well as all submittals attached, seconded by Patrick Webb. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting in favor. Motion passed.

Attorney Nerlin will start working on this with staff and have an MOU for the Board to review in February.

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9. ADJOURNMENT

Pat Medina moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 p.m., seconded by Tricia McFarland. A verbal vote was taken with all Trustees voting in favor. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ginger R. Redden, Town Clerk