

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

February 12, 2009

1. Mayor Jakubiak called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present were Tom Wills, Sheila Maki, George Brauneis and Gerald Pearson. West McKee and Wendell Koontz were not present.
2. The correction for paragraph #6 minutes of January 8, 2009 is attached.
Tom Wills moved to approve the minutes, with the attached correction, seconded by Gerald Pearson, with all in favor.
3. Liquor License Renewal
Gerald Pearson moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Roberts Short Stop, seconded by Sheila Maki, with all in favor.
4. Scott Manuppella – Subdivision Improvement and Security Agreement
Scott requested a time extension to complete the revegetation on the north side of the subdivision. Mike Owens stated that some of the punch list still needs addressed; man holes to grade, meter pits to grade and back fill on back side of sidewalks. Scott requested an extension until May 1, 2009. Money would be held until September 2009 to see if the revegetation was successful.
Sheila Maki moved to give Scott Manuppella a time extension to May 1, 2009 to complete all work and in September 2009 the staff will evaluate the work according to the punch list before a refund of monies, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.
5. Hotchkiss Library Yearly Update
Librarian Ronda Duclo reported the 2008 statistics for library use. Use is up from 2007 and continues to grow. They are working on more adult and after school programs for 2009. There were over 400 uses of the Memorial Hall in 2008. The Trustees thanked Ronda for giving them an update.
6. Hotchkiss/Crawford Historical Society Update
Paul Schmucker and Lee Farmer were present to report the repair of the pillars is complete. They will proceed with anchoring the pillars until the arch is in place. They are proceeding with the arch replacement. Lee thanked the Town for the clean up after the pillar repair. The design will be presented to the Historical Society engineer and when approved the design will be presented to the Town Trustees. The Historical Society asked for a donation for the pillar repair and the arch.
George Brauneis moved to donate \$1,000, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.
George Brauneis also gave the Historical Society a donation.
Mayor Jakubiak thanked Paul and Lee for all their work on the fair grounds entrance.
7. Columbine Senior Services
Mayor Jakubiak reported he attended a task force meeting to address solutions for the senior meal sites. Representatives from Delta County, all of the County Municipalities, Delta County Memorial Hospital, and Delta County School District were present at the meeting. Everyone is working toward a solution. The Trustees decided not to donate to Columbine Senior Services at this time. They will discuss a donation at the March Trustee meeting.
8. BLM Memorandum of Understanding
Attorney Briscoe has reviewed the MOU and does not have problem with the document. It will put the Town of Hotchkiss at the table for discussion with BLM. Attorney Briscoe recommended the Town enter into a MOU with BLM. Linda Bledsole has asked for a meeting with the Board of Trustees or two members to discuss a possible timber cut in the Leroux Creek area in 2009 or 2010. The Mayor will contact board members and get back with Attorney Briscoe about a meeting with BLM.
The Trustees asked Clerk Searle to notify BLM that the Town is interested in a MOU, and they will discuss it at the March meeting when all Trustees are present.
9. Out of Town Water Tap Discussion
Tabled until the March 2009 meeting.
10. Limited Power of Attorney
Attorney Briscoe stated this document would be used by landlords and tenants to allow information to be given out by the Town office to a landlord or a tenant or someone designated by them in reference to

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10. (continued) a utility account with the Town. This document will comply with the Red Flag regulations concerning the privacy act.
Tom Wills moved to adopt the Limited Power Of Attorney as presented, seconded by Sheila Maki, with all in favor.
11. Water Plant Project Update
Engineer Fagan said she is still working with Pall on the Health Department requirements. The Public Works department has completed about 85% of the earth work and will be pouring concrete next week. The Town received a grant from Colorado Solar Energy Industries Association (COSEIA), for 15% of the cost of solar panels for hot water at the new water plant building. The cost of the solar system will be about \$ 50,000 and the grant will contribute \$ 7,500. The average pay back on the solar panels is eight years. The life of the solar panels is 23 years. Hopefully vandalism will be low, as the panels will be installed on the roof of the new building.
12. Enhancement Project Update – Trails
Engineer Fagan reported the Town had received an additional \$ 75,000 for the trail project. This money came from money turned back from Paonia. The Town will have to come up with the additional 20% match and the Town will get a new contract from CDOT. The Trustees approved the additional money and committed to the 20% match.
The design for the school trail will be complete soon and put out for bid for work to be completed this summer.
13. Zoning Discussion
Attorney Briscoe is still reviewing the ordinance. He is inquiring from other communities about how they handle adult businesses. The Supreme Court has ruled adult businesses must be including in any zoning regulation. The ordinance can be completed with Trustee input and citizen input after the public hearing.
14. Hotchkiss Planning
Tom Wills reported the committee has been working on a basic sign code. They are also discussing a growth management plan and an IGA with Delta County. Tom gave the Trustees sample IGA's for their review.
15. County Land Use Update
They will have a meeting next week and will consider a land split request on Powell Mesa.
16. Five Minute Public Appearance
Dan Stucker was present to ask the Trustees if they could talk to CDOT about placing a guard rail on HWY 92 on the west end of Town above his equipment rental business. He stated there have been several accidents there. Mike Owens said he and Marshal Miller had met with CDOT and they looked at that area and CDOT is looking into the situation. That area is State Highway and have jurisdiction, the Town will have to wait and see what the State decides.
17. Department Reports
Mike Owens asked if the Trustees had questions on his written report. Mayor Jakubiak asked about the water and sewer project proposed at the fairgrounds. Mike said he had asked the Commissioners and the fair board members to come to a town meeting to discuss the project. He has also told them the lines need to be installed according to the town specs.
Gerald Pearson asked the progress on the hydro electric plant. Mike said DMEA is working on the project and will be in contact with the Town in the next couple of weeks.
Mayor Jakubiak asked about the gauging station on the river. Mike said the Colorado River District is going to take the current equipment and move it down river. Mike is working with Steve Tuck and the North Fork Conservation District to install new equipment and share the cost. The readings will be accepted by the State for monitoring data.

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17. (continued) Marshal Miller asked if there were questions on his written report. Marshal Miller said the police department has been busy and they are gearing up for the summer events. There will be two large bike tours this summer. Mike Owens has been contacted about dumping grey water into our sewer system while the bike tours are in town. Mike is working with the Chamber of Commerce on this request.
18. Mayor's Report
Mayor Jakubiak told the Trustees that he and Mike attended the Municipal Quarterly meeting and one of the discussions was about a County wide de-brucing ballot question. He will keep the Trustees informed as the discussion continues.
19. Town Clerk's Report
The Clerk reported that CIRSA had completed the yearly audit and the Town did very well. The police department was 100% in compliance.
20. New Business
Sheila Maki reported that she is involved in a new bed and breakfast business on Rogers Mesa and at this time they are booked for both bike tours and the sheep dog trials.

Mayor Jakubiak said he was contacted by the Associated Press for comments on the HWY 92 improvements.
21. Consideration of Bills
Sheila Maki moved to pay all bills, seconded by George Brauneis, with all in favor.
22. Gerald Pearson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m., seconded by George Brauneis, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene F. Searle, Town Clerk