

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

June 11, 2009

1. Mayor Jakubiak called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Those present were Tom Wills, Gerald Pearson, Wendell Koontz and West McKee. Sheila Maki and George Brauneis were not present.
2. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Wendell Koontz moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Tom Wills, with all in favor.
4. VOA – Advisor Council Member
VOA will develop an advisor council that will meet quarterly to discuss the meal sites and to share information. The Trustees decided to ask the Senior Citizens if they would like to appoint a member to this council if not Tom Wills said he would serve on the council.
5. Hotchkiss/Crawford Historical Society Update
Town Clerk Searle reporting for Chuck Farmer said the arch is almost complete and they will place the arch within the next three weeks.
6. Water Plant Project Update
The Public Works crew has been working on the new building. When Pall is notified by the Town to deliver the equipment it will take about three weeks. They will be notified when the building is complete and the crew is ready to install the equipment which should be July/August.
Engineer Fagan told the Trustees the solar grant from the State expires at the end of June. It will not be completed installed by that date. They will pay 15% of what is complete by June 30th.
7. Enhancement Project Update – Walking Trails
The Town/CDOT IGA is at the Federal level and waiting to be signed. Engineer Fagan will have the scope of service and the design plans completed by the end of this week and deliver it to CDOT after the IGA is signed by them. Wendell Koontz asked if the scope of service and design work can be completed prior to the signing of the IGA, Joanne said no because the grant will not pay for anything completed and paid for prior to the signing the IGA. Work on the school trail should start in late summer and be complete by October.
8. High School Line Upgrade Discussion
Engineer Fagan reported the Town is 31st on the list for stimulus money. They are funding the first 21 projects. The Town can transfer the funding request to revolving fund money and a grant from DOLA. The revolving fund would be a loan with zero interest, with no Davis Bacon or Federal requirements. The Town can apply for DOLA funds in the August cycle. The funding would be in place by the end of 2009 and the project could start in spring 2010. The Trustees agreed to look into this funding.
9. Zoning Discussion
Mayor Jakubiak reminder everyone that the Public Hearing for the proposed Zoning Ordinance is set for June 24th at 6:30 p.m. This hearing is to take comment only and than the Trustees will review the comments and discuss any changes that may be needed prior to adoption.
10. Five Minute Public Appearance
None
11. Hotchkiss Planning Committee
Tom Wills reported they did not have an official meeting in May, but discussed the IGA with the County.
12. County Land Use Update
Tom Wills reported they will be doing the first review under the new County Density Regulations on a property on Redlands Mesa.
Tom Wills told the Trustees Mark Milner is requesting a three lot split on the property on Back River Rd. This is the property he had approached the Town about last year. There is concern about the placement of a fire hydrant at this location. If the hydrant was used it could create pressure problems

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12. (continued) for the High School. Mike Owens said the fire hydrant out there is a good idea, but he would suggest the developer put money into escrow for the hydrant and labor and the hydrant would be installed after the water line upgrade to the High School. The Trustees agreed.
13. Department Reports
Mike Owens told the Trustees that irrigation water off of Knob Hill and Hanson Mesa are creating problems in Town. Bill Kolb, Paul Schmucker and Mike met and they feel a diversion box to the north above the railroad tracks will help the situation. The County, the Water Commissioners, the Town of Hotchkiss and the Farmers Ditch/North Fork Lateral Ditch will all work together to share in the labor and expense to fix the problem. Mike told the Trustees he is not sure if the Town would pay for some of the expense or do in kind work. The Trustees asked Mike to work with the group and fix the problem.
Mike asked the Trustees about keeping one of the old police cars for trips to Grand Junction for water samples and meetings. Wendell Koontz suggested keeping one car for six months for Town use, and then reevaluate at that time and put the other car out for bids.
Wendell Koontz asked if Northridge Meadows subdivision is complete. Town Clerk told him the subdivision is complete and the escrow money has been returned with the retention of \$5,000 for reseeding, if needed.

Marshal Miller asked if there were questions on his written report.
He told the Trustees the new cars have been delivered and the equipment has been transferred from the old cars to the new.
The department is ready for the Ride the Rockies group this weekend. The bike tour that is coming in June 21st has not made a lot of contact with the Town to this point.
14. Mayor's Report
Ride the Rockies tour will be a boost to the Town revenues.
15. Town Clerk Report
None
16. New Business
None
17. Consideration of Bills
Tom Wills moved to pay all bills, seconded by Gerald Pearson, with all in favor.
18. Adjournment
West McKee moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Wendell Koontz, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene F. Searle,
Town Clerk