

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Hotchkiss Board of Trustees

May 9, 2013

1. Mayor Koontz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present were Carrie Wingfield, James Roberts, Marlin McCracken, Georgia Hopper, Lindee Cantrell, and Dustyn Foster.
2. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Lindee Cantrell moved to approve the minutes for April 11, 2013 as presented, seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.
4. Public Hearings
North Fork Valley Restaurant, Larry Jakubiak, 140 W. Bridge Street - Liquor Application
Mayor Koontz opened the Public Hearing and read a statement of the procedures for this Public Hearing.
Larry Jakubiak told the Trustees his prior liquor license had been closed by State Liquor Enforcement because he had not filed his renewal on time. He explained he had not received his renewal application and had not realized it was due. The State requires him to file for a new liquor license.
Mayor Koontz called for Public Comment;
For – none
Opposed – none.
Mayor Koontz closed the Public Hearing at 6:40 p.m.
James Roberts moved to approve the liquor license for the North Fork Valley Restaurant with one correction, the license is for one location, not for optional premises, (Mr. Jakubiak corrected that line on the application), seconded by Dustyn Foster, with all in favor.

Recreational Marijuana Public Hearing
Mayor Koontz opened the Public Hearing and read a statement of the procedures for this Public Hearing.
Mayor Koontz asked for Public Comment;
Opposed;
Mayor Koontz read three letters from citizens – all were against recreational marijuana in Town.
John Marta said he was against the selling of, or growing of marijuana in the Town.
Pro;
Tom Wills said there is already marijuana in Town and the Town should allow stores and receive the taxes from them, or the people will go out of Town to buy. Growing of marijuana (six plants) cannot be banned, should allow and regulate.
Jane Wills said recreational and medical should be allowed.
Mary Hockenbery said it should be allowed; it is no worse than alcohol.
Mayor Koontz closed the Public Hearing at 6:55 p.m.
The Trustee will discuss this issue at the June meeting.
5. Donation Request
Hotchkiss Home Plate
The Trustees did not receive paperwork and no one came to the meeting. Tabled.
Creamery Arts
The Trustees did not receive paperwork and no one came to the meeting. Tabled.
Western Slope Rural Philanthropy Days
The fee for the event is \$ 125 per person for three days – June 17th – 19th in Ouray.
Carrie Wingfield and Mary Hockenbery would like to attend.
Lindee Cantrell moved to pay for Carrie and Mary to attend, seconded by Georgia Hopper, with all in favor.
6. First State Bank Street Closure Request
The First State Bank is requesting 1st Street from Main Street to Bridge Street, be closed for their annual community lunch on May 10th. Marshal Miller does not have a problem with the closure.
Carrie Wingfield moved to allow the closure, seconded by James Roberts, with all in favor.

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7. Delta County Economic Development – Support Letter
DCED is requesting a letter of support to DMEA in support of placing fiber optic cable on electric transmission lines to enhance broadband service in the County in the future. Carrie Wingfield moved to authorize Mayor Koontz to sign a letter of support, seconded by Lindee Cantrell, with all in favor.
8. Source Water Protection
Kimberly Mehelich, Rural Water, explained the Source Water Protection Plan to the Trustees. Mayor Koontz asked the Trustees to review the document for possible adoption at the June meeting.
9. NF 20/20
Dustyn Foster did not have a report. Tom Wills reported the NF 20/20 board worked on a value statement.
10. Downtown Improvements
Mary Hockenbery reported the planting went well and is complete. More downtown merchants are involved. She thanked the Public Works crew, Deputy Chad Lloyd, Lost Mesa Flowers, and the students at HHS. Teresa Burns asked about flowers at the triangle park. The Trustees approved the purchase of flowers for the triangle park.
Tom Wills said the art work on the planters should be complete by the end of summer. Mary told the Trustees the art work goes to the downtown improvement board and they ask the business owner if the art work is alright in front of their business.
Mayor Koontz thanked Mary, Dustyn and Tom for all their work.
11. Enhancement Trails Project Update
The Town met with the County and they are working on the joint trail project. The trail project will begin in 2014.
12. Delta County Housing Task Force
Georgia Hopper reported they have had 34 applications and 15 of those are complete. They have a no interest loan program for those that are interested.
13. Hotchkiss Planning Commission
Mary Hockenbery reported the Commission will hold Public Hearings for 3 applicants at their May meeting, and their recommendation will be forwarded to the Trustees. The Commission will consider adoption of the sidewalk and trails plan at their May meeting. They will be working on a sign ordinance and Mayor Koontz and Attorney Briscoe are working on an annexation ordinance.
14. Leroux Creek Planning Update
Carrie Wingfield did not have an update.
15. Five Minute Public Appearance
None
16. Department Reports
Mike Owens was not present. Leonard McCulloch reported the contractor for the meter installation is doing a great job. Pall is onsite for the water plant upgrade and they are getting ready to do a start up on the clarifier system. Leonard thanked the Public Works crew for the great job at the water plant.

Marshal Miller said the mock accident at HHS went well and Prom went well.
The remodel of the Police department is complete.

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17. Hotchkiss Chamber of Commerce Update
Tom Wills reported the Electronic Recycle Day fund raiser for the Chamber went well and they are thinking about making it an annual event.
18. Mayor's Report
Mayor Koontz asked the Trustees if they would like to have a work session with Sarah Sauter, North Fork Alternative Plan. The Trustees set May 23rd at 6:30 p.m. for the work session. The 2012 Audit will be presented to the Trustees in June or July. Attorney Briscoe is working on the Flood Plain documents.
19. Town Clerk Report
The Clerk reminded the Trustees of the Town Clean Up on May 16th, 17th, and 18th.
20. Upcoming Events
Sheep Dog Trials – 5/10th, 11th, 12th
First State Bank Lunch – 5/10th
5K Fun Run – 5/11th
Car Show – 5/11th
NF Ambulance Open House 5/11th
Creamery Arts – HHS and Montrose Student Art
Craft Sale at Creamery Arts – 5/ 10th, 11th, 12th
NF Pool Open on 5/27th
Gunnison Basin River Study – 6/3rd
Graduation Night Party – 5/25th
8th Grade Continuation – 5/21st
Work Session – 5/23th
Mosquito Meeting – 5/20th
21. New Business
None
22. Consideration of Bills
Carrie Wingfield moved to pay all bills, seconded by Georgia Hopper, with all in favor.
23. Lindee Cantrell moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m., seconded by Carrie Wingfield, with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene F. Searle, Town Clerk

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