

Minutes
Regular Town Board Meeting
 Town of Paonia, Colorado
 February 09, 2021

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Regular meeting held via zoom on Tuesday, February 09, 2021, was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Mary Bachran, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

PRESENT

- Mayor Bachran
- Trustee Bear
- Trustee Budinger
- Trustee Knutson
- Trustee Pattison
- Trustee Johnson
- Trustee Meck

A quorum was present, and Mayor Bachran proceeded with the meeting.

Approval of Agenda

 Motion made by Trustee Bear, Seconded by Trustee Budinger and unanimously carried to approve the agenda as presented.

Council Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Trustee Bear	X			
Trustee Budinger	X			
Trustee Johnson	X			
Trustee Knutson	X			
Trustee Meck	X			
Trustee Pattison	X			
Mayor Bachran				

Announcements

Mayor Bachran announced that Paonia in Motion community workshop will begin this week and is researching the possibility of a COVID-19 vaccination clinic in Town.

Recognition of Visitors & Guests

Visitors & Guests:

- Tanya Henderson the new director of Western Slope Conservation Center provided an introduction to the board.

Staff Reports

○ Administrator’s Report:

- The Administrator’s report was included in the packet.
- COVID-19 updates are provided via the Delta County website.
 - SGM is creating a public mapping system for the Town.
 - Discussed the sanitary survey status update.
 - Updated on the installation of the water station system.
- Community questions to be addressed at the next meeting via the Administrator’s report
 - Could a grant cover cost of COVID-19 sampling at the wastewater plant?
 - Is there an update regarding the building inspector position?

Public Works report:

- The Public Works report was included in the packet.
- Continue to work on the sanitary survey follow-up.
- Provided an update on the SCADA installation at the IMG water plant.
- Ammonia treatment underway at wastewater treatment plant.

Police Report:

- The police blotter was included in the packet.
 - The current ordinance for tobacco needs to be updated and revised to add the vaping language.
 - Announced that there will be a meeting regarding the consolidation of the Paonia and Hotchkiss schools on February 10th at 6:00 p.m. at the Paonia High school.
 - For more information regarding the consolidation of the schools and to complete a survey go to: www.deltaschools.com
 - Addressed the comment on the issue regarding the political banner/signs.
 - Chief stated that it is freedom of speech and will be looking into other methods to address the issues.
- Attorney Report:
- The attorney's report was included in the packet.
 - The attorney was absent.

Disbursements

Treasurer's Report:

- The Finance Officers report was included in the packet.
- Treasurer King gave an update on the DMEA franchise tax issue.
 - Trustee Bear questioned the collection of sales tax on non-tangible items.

➤ Motion by Trustee Bear to direct Treasurer King to meet with Town Attorney Nerlin to discuss how to pursue the sales tax on the franchise fee. Motion failed for lack of a second.

➤ Motion was amended by Trustee Bear, seconded by Trustee Pattison and carried with 5 ayes and 1 nay, to direct Treasurer King to meet with Town Attorney Nerlin to analyze the charge of sales tax.

Council Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Trustee Bear	X			
Trustee Budinger	X			
Trustee Johnson	X			
Trustee Knutson		X		
Trustee Meck	X			
Trustee Pattison	X			
Mayor Bachran				

- Reviewed disbursements and payroll.
 - Disbursements were included in the packet.

Disbursements Report:

- Trustee Pattison went over her questions that she e-mailed the Town Administrator/Clerk.

➤ Motion by Trustee Knutson and seconded by Trustee Budinger and unanimously carried to approve the disbursements as presented.

Council Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Trustee Bear	X			
Trustee Budinger	X			
Trustee Johnson	X			
Trustee Knutson	X			
Trustee Meck	X			
Trustee Pattison	X			
Mayor Bachran				

Regular Business

North Fork EMS – Balance & Fitness Program Grand Letter of Support :

- The project summary was provided in the packet.
- A draft letter of support was included in the packet.
- The EMS is not requesting financial support.
- Trustee Knutson questioned how classes would be held during the COVID-19 pandemic.

🚩 Motion by Trustee Meek, seconded by Trustee Knutson and unanimously carried to approve the North Fork EMS – Balance & Fitness Program Grant Letter of Support as presented.

Council Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Trustee Bear	X			
Trustee Budinger	X			
Trustee Johnson	X			
Trustee Knutson	X			
Trustee Meek	X			
Trustee Pattison	X			
Mayor Bacharan				

Western Slope Conservation Center – Letter to US Elected Officials:

- Discussion ensued by Tanya Henderson regarding the letter and request. The documents were included in the packet.

🚩 Motion made by Trustee Knutson, Seconded by Trustee Johnson, and carried with 5 ayes and 1 nay to approve the Western Slope Conservation Center – Letter to US Elected Officials as presented.

Council Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Trustee Bear		X		
Trustee Budinger	X			
Trustee Johnson	X			
Trustee Knutson	X			
Trustee Meek	X			
Trustee Pattison	X			
Mayor Bacharan				

Work Session/Regular Meeting Schedules:

- Trustee Pattison’s meeting format proposal was included in the packet
- Jurassic Parliament guidelines were included in the packet
- Discussed the format of regular vs. work session meetings
- Trustee Pattison suggested holding multiple meetings throughout the month.
 - Discussion meetings
 - Business meetings
- Mayor Bacharan was not in favor of this method for its inefficiency.
- The work session/regular meeting schedules discussion was tabled until an in-person meeting is held.

Consent Agenda

Regular Minutes:

01/26/2021

- Draft minutes were included in the packet.

🚩 Motion by Trustee Knutson, Seconded by Trustee Budinger and unanimously carried to approve consent agenda as presented.

Council Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Trustee Bear	X			
Trustee Budinger	X			
Trustee Johnson	X			
Trustee Knutson	X			

Trustee Meck	X			
Trustee Pattison	X			
Mayor Bachran				

Mayor's Report

Mayor's Report was included in the packet.

- A community member questioned the time frame until in-person meetings will be held again.
 - Mayor stated the earliest anticipated is late March, but will not occur until County dial is in green.

Committee Reports

Finance & Personnel report:

- Meeting February 24, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

Governmental Affairs & Public Safety report:

- Met on February 08, 2021, and discussed multiple projects.
- Discussed ADU's and short term rentals
- Working on a draft survey for short term rentals (STR's).
- The food truck ordinance is in the works.

Public Works-Utilities-Facilities report:

- Meeting February 11th at 9:00 a.m.
- Advisory Water Committee member Thomas Markle requested additional data regarding meter readings and billing data.
 - Requested the Boards' approval to release customers' water bills to the water committee to be analyzed.

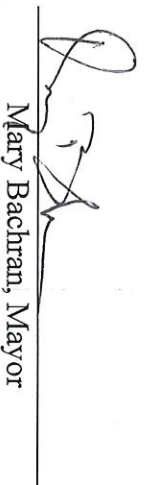
Tree Board:

- Discussed that the Town received the tree inventory and will be reviewed.
- The Tree Board committee is looking at the City of Grand Junction as a model for trees.
- Trustee Meck stated the Advisory Water Committee will be meeting on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. and would like to have the Committee to be added to the agenda.
- Trustee Pattison would like to have the committees added to the Town's web calendar.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Bachran at 8:03 p.m.


Amanda Mojarro, Deputy Clerk


Mary Bachran, Mayor

