

PITKIN TOWN MEETING

March 10th 2020 at 7pm

At the Newcomb Community Center

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** and Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Rachel New called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Trustees John Rowan, Eddy Balch, Lucinda Lull, Cory Nasso, Jerra Garetson and Lois Sharpton were present. Minutes taken by Clerk Sara Gibb.
2. **Public comments:** None
3. **Special presentation – Gunnison/Hinsdale Combined Emergency Telephone Authority will present an updated IGA – please see item 3-2 below for agenda notes.**
4. **Town Attorney Report: No report**
5. **For Council Action**:**
 - 3-1 Approve meeting minutes: February 10th regular meeting

Motion to approve minutes as amended for the February 10th regular meeting made by Trustee Jerra Garetson. Seconded by Trustee Lucinda Lull. Motion carried 4-0. Trustees Eddy Balch and Cory Nasso abstained.

- 3-2 Discuss and vote to approve IGA for the Combined Emergency Telephone Service Authority

The Board has several questions related to costs and representation for the Town of Pitkin

Trustee Cory Nasso asked who Pitkin's representation and point of contact would be. Mr. Robinson stated there is not currently one. There was information provided regarding budgeting and management of fees. There was discussion about how representation is selected.

Trustee Eddy Balch asked if any charges would come to the Town. There is no direct cost to Pitkin - surcharges on phone lines have increased to cover costs.

Cell phones can be registered with the CodeRed system, landlines are automatically picked up by the system.

Motion to approve the IGA for the combined emergency telephone service authority made by Trustee Eddy Balch. Seconded by Trustee John Rowan. Motion carried 6-0.

Public comments: Cyndi Wick, Kathy Dardio, Debbie Henley, Jesse Garetson

3-3 Discuss and vote to approve Application for Petition to Vacate street/alley

Trustees requested that the terms “abutting” and “adjacent” are used consistently. Changes were made to reflect this request.

Motion to accept petition as amended made by Trustee Lois Sharpton. Seconded by Trustee Eddy Balch. Motion carried 6-0.

Public comments: Chris Nasso, Patrice Boyd

3-4 Review treasurer’s report. Vote to approve March 2020 disbursements

Treasurer Sara Gibb will forward Jim’s invoice. Two disbursements are for OWTS fees that were paid twice by mistake.

Motion to approve March disbursements as amended made by Trustee Lucinda Lull. Seconded by Trustee Eddy Balch. Motion carried 6-0.

6. Updates/Planning/Discussion:

- Update on Makowski/Fox quit claim deed – Aspen Lane

Attorney Jim McDonald has possession of the signed original documents from both the Foxes and Mr. Makowski. The Board can approve signing the document once the payment is received.

There was question about the Ledford property between the Makowski and Fox properties. Trustee Eddy Balch asked if these property owners have been notified of the proposed conveyances. Mayor New stated that Dana Ledford was spoken to.

Attorney Jim McDonald stated that from his perspective, the event that happened in the 90s and the current event are two different events.

The Board would like to see justification that the Ledford property should not be included in the current conveyance.

- Discuss reserve policy for the Town of Pitkin

Clerk Sara Gibb has reached out to Kimberly from DOLA, who has agreed to send best practices information. Information has not yet been received.

- Set work sessions and discuss future agenda items

Discussion regarding a special meeting to swear in new Trustees.

7. Reports:

- Town Mayor – A COVID-19 case has been confirmed in Gunnison. There was discussion about the regular meeting date and a possible special meeting for swearing in new trustees (if required).
- Town Clerk – Marlene asked if the Town would like the slush removed? Board initially stated yes. Two constituents stated they would not like the slush removed. There are concerns about gravel being removed along with slush. There is concern about too much moisture soaking into the road causing increased damage. Town Clerk will email Marlene and request slush removal.
- Building Inspector/Sanitarian – Rand Makowski – No report
- Fire Department – Rand Makowski – No report
- Zoning Board – James Sharpton – Meeting 3/16/2020
- Cemetery – James Sharpton – No report
- Environmental Health – Cyndi Wick - No report
- Streets – vacant
- Ditches – John Rowan – No report
- Town Hall – Juliet Serrato – No report
- Parks and Rec – Sara Lamar – No report

8. Board of Health segment

- Discuss necessary action and set a date for a Board of Health meeting to include the following agenda items:
 - Discuss and vote on response to 11 delinquent systems
 - Discuss and vote on response to failed systems at 312 2nd Street and 217 State Street
 - Discuss OWTS ordinance and its application to alternative systems

Previously scheduled meeting was postponed due to lack of a quorum. The above-listed agenda items will be discussed at a rescheduled meeting. A draft letter for delinquent systems was provided to the Board.

Trustee Cory Nasso recused himself and left the front.

EHA Cyndi Wick would like the Board of Health to tell her what the letter should convey. She suggested having Attorney McDonald cosign the letter. She wants the Board of Health to make decisions. She provided a document with items to consider as possible actions for delinquencies, failures, and alternative systems.

Trustee Lois Sharpton would like Jim's input on what can and can't be done under CO law. She wants to know if the letter in the suggested format can be sent out. What can the Board do to enforce the ordinance?

Thursday, March 19th was suggested as a meeting date

Mayor New discussed a previous tasking document for the OWTS that was not returned – several items on this document are similar to what is now being asked of the Board of Health.

Previous notices were not sent out via certified mail. Trustee Eddy Balch suggested that future notices be sent certified mail. This cost would be covered by the OWTS administration fee. Trustee Lois Sharpton believes that there is lack of fairness to property owners because there is no separate board to go to with an appeal.

Meeting set for Thursday, March 19th at 6:30pm

Trustee Cory returned to the front at 8:33pm, following the setting of the meeting date.

Public comments: Jesse Garetson, James Sharpton, Kandy Nasso,

9. **Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held **Monday, April 13th** at 7:00PM at the Newcomb Community Center. Council meetings are scheduled to adjourn at 9:00PM. At the council's discretion agenda item(s) not addressed by this time will be tabled until the next regular meeting. Approved minutes, ordinances, resolutions, agendas, and other Town of Pitkin public notices can be found at <https://www.colorado.gov/pitkin>.

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