

TOWN OF PITKIN WORK SESSION

Newcomb Community Center

December 5th 2024 at 6:30pm

Remote participation via ZOOM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Mayor pro tem Tom Gibb called the meeting to order at 6:40pm. Trustees Ed Pianalto and Ramon Reed were present. Trustee Jerra Garetson was present via Zoom. Minutes taken by Clerk Sara Gibb.

2. For Council Discussion:

- Town of Pitkin Commissioner/Volunteer Job Descriptions (ordinance update)

Clerk Sara Gibb shared that Attorney Clayton Buchner shared that the volunteers should be titled something other than “commissioner” and he suggested “director.”

Trustee Jerra Garetson disagrees with the Attorney. Trustee Ramon Reed requested that the attorney put his reasoning in writing. Clerk Sara Gibb will request a memo.

Mayor pro tem Tom Gibb asked to start with “Ditch Commissioner.” Trustee Jerra Garetson asked to address the “uncompensated position” line.

Trustee Ramon Reed stated that the first position listed, the Environmental Health Agent, does not have that phrase “uncompensated position.” He wants all positions to be the same.

Trustee Ed Pianalto doesn’t want to get into a situation where the ordinance is rewritten and the Town gets locked in to uncompensated positions.

The current Commissioner Ordinance (2018-3) was reviewed by section.

Trustee Ramon Reed brought up the duty of managing and controlling the budget. He stated that there has been a big problem in this area. He stated that as Town Hall Commissioner, he doesn’t know what it takes for him to be allowed to spend money. Can he spend anything in the budget or does he have to go to the Board for approval for each expenditure? There needs to be a spending policy.

Pete Olson requested a committee for developing a purchasing policy – Clerk, Trustee Pianalto, Pete Olson, Jesse Garetson

Public comments: Jesse Garetson, Pete Olson, Patrice Boyd

4. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm