

## RICO TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 16, 2023

Call to Order 7:01

**Trustees Present:** Mayor Nicole Pieterse  
Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Fallon  
Trustee Joe Dillsworth  
Trustee Benn Vernadakis  
Trustee Jordan Carr  
Trustee Joe Croke  
Trustee Chris Condon (7:05)

**Trustees Absent:**

**Staff Present.** Chauncey McCarthy, Anna Wolf (zoom), Wilton Anderson (zoom)

### Approval of the Agenda

#### Motion

To approve the agenda.

**Moved by** Trustee Jordan Carr, seconded by Trustee Joe Dillsworth.

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0. Chris Condon not present at vote.

### Approval of Minutes

August 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting: Change the comment from Trustee Joe Croke to express that the VCUP with help with dust control not solve it.

July 19<sup>th</sup> minutes: change session to negotiation. Grammatical errors

#### Motion

To approve the minutes with correction.

**Moved by** Mayor Nicole Pieterse, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0.

### Consent Agenda

#### Payment of the Bills

Joe Croke discusses cost of legal fees.

#### Motion

To approve the payment of the bills.

**Moved by** Trustee Joe Dillsworth, seconded by Trustee Chris Condon.

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0.

**Public Comment:**

Alex Wing: expresses concern about last month's discussion regarding ARCO contractors and the Mineshaft negotiations. The wording of the discussion item was biased, could be interpreted as all ARCO contractors.

Clay Hall: brought concerns to the Board regarding dust from the Dolores River trail subdivision.

Eric Brichenbach: brought their application to the Board's attention. The application was denied at the Planning Commission level. They asked for access through the ally to their property. They would like the LUC to address ally dimensions.

Nicole Piense thanked the public for their comments.

Chauncey gave an update on the dust mitigation. After looking at estimates it would cost the Town \$60,000 to mag chloride all the roads. This does not include prepping the roads for the treatment. Town staff has received good feedback on the new speed bumps. People are happy with the results of the new speed bumps, people are slowing down and there is less dust.

Florence Ezell wonders if there is a difference between an ally in the code.

Skip Zeller recommended speed limit signs at the entrances to town with the added "not to exceed" signs attached to the same post.

### **Action Items**

#### Review and approval 2022 fiscal year audit

Chauncey McCarthy gave summary. No major concerns. The only flag is on segregation of duties. This has been flagged in all audits.

#### **Motion**

To approve Review and approval 2022 fiscal year audit

**Moved by Mayor Nicole Pieterse, seconded by Trustee Chris Condon.**

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0

#### Consideration of second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-05 an ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Rico, Colorado amending the year 2023 budget and approving supplemental appropriations of money

The only adjustment is to the pass thru account which has been increased since the first reading.

#### **Motion**

To approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-05 an ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Rico, Colorado amending the year 2023 budget and approving supplemental appropriations of money

**Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Joe Croke.**

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0

#### Consideration of liquor license renewal for Boulder City Mixology LLC, DBA Enterprise Bar and Grill

Town Clerk confirms that the application is complete and compliant.

#### **Motion**

To approve the liquor license renewal for Boulder City Mixology LLC, DBA Enterprise Bar and Grill

**Moved by** Trustee Joe Dillsworth, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0

Consideration of liquor license renewal for Motherlode Liquors LLC  
Town Clerk confirms that the application is complete and compliant.

**Motion**

To approve the liquor license renewal for Motherlode Liquors LLC

**Moved by** Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pat Fallon.

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0

**Staff Report**

Clerk's Report

Working on the November election. Two Trustee seats will be on the Ballot. Petitions can be picked up in the Clerk's office.

Manager's Report

Speed bumps were installed in strategic places. There has been good feedback from citizens.

Goff engineering is in the field mapping our water system. Once completed the Town will receive a map.

Impact fee study: The Town Manager received the items required from the Town, it is more extensive than anticipated. Town staff is compiling this information.

Fire hydrant will be installed at the end of Mantz next Thursday. The Town will likely experience lower water pressure. Sediment may be stirred up during this process. Public works plans on flushing the system to alleviate as much sediment as possible.

The Shuttle will start running starting next Wednesday.

RFP for the Town shop project: Bid packages must be in by next Friday. An executive session will be held Monday August 28, 2023 for the Board to vote on the bids. Meeting is set for Monday August 28, 2023 at 6:00PM.

**Discussion Items**

Voluntary lead soils clean up ("VCUP") update

Nicole Pieterse gives summary.

Electric vehicle charging rates

Town Manager gave a summary. There has been an uptick in usage. The Town Hall's electric bill more than doubled.

Board members discussed ensuring that the charge station pays for itself and potential increases in insurance. Alternatively they discussed transferring ownership of the charge station to the gas station.

Parks and recreation improvements budget

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary. A presentation will happen in September.

The meeting adjourned 9:19PM

Short term rental restriction letter from Scott Smith

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary. Discusses what Town Staff learned in the 1 year that the licensing system has been in effect.

The Board discussed the topic. Would like more public input. To be discussed at the August 28<sup>th</sup> special meeting.

**Motion**

To adjourn.

**Moved by** Trustee Joe Dillsworth, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

**Vote.** A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 7-0

Adjourn 9:08PM



Anna Wolf  
Rico Town Clerk



Nicole Pieterse  
Mayor