

RICO TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 15, 2023

Call to Order 7:00

Trustees Present:

Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Fallon
Trustee Joe Dillsworth
Trustee Benn Vernadakis
Trustee Joe Croke
Trustee Chris Condon

Trustees Absent:

Mayor Nicole Pieterse
Trustee Jordan Carr

Staff Present. Chauncey McCarthy, Anna Wolf (zoom),

Approval of the Agenda

Motion

To approve the agenda.

Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Chris Condon.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 5-0.

Approval of Minutes

Motion

To approve the minutes October 18.

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

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 5-0.

Motion

To approve the minutes October 23.

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

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 5-0.

Action Items

Consideration of first reading of Ordinance 2023-06, an ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado amending the short-term rental restrictions and licensing requirements in the Rico Land Use Code.

Town Manager gives summary.

The board discussed the data that Scott Smith compiled.

Public comment:

Scott Smith: is it just to put these fees on short term rental and not on long term renters.

Chauncey McCarthy addresses the fees. The fees are increased to discourage short term rentals without a permit.

Motion

To continue of first reading of Ordinance 2023-06 until next month to allow the Board to review the data.

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

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 5-0.

To review the data at the December special meeting.

Consent Agenda

Payment of the Bills

Joe Croke brings up the Karp Neu Hanlon invoice. This was a check that was misprinted. To be canceled.

Motion

To approve the payment of the bills except check 17917.

Moved by Trustee Chris Condon, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 5-0.

Action Items

Consideration of first reading of Ordinance 2023-07 an ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado amending and extending the temporary moratorium on the acceptance of new land use applications for major or minor subdivisions, and residential or commercial planned unit developments

Chauncey McCarthy gave summary.

Joe Croke asks clarifying question regarding the timeframe for the Moratorium.

Motion

To extend with the amendments ordinance 2023-07.

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

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 5-0

Consideration of road building and disturbance permit application Hancock Alley Block 18, Leah Chmielewski applicant

Town Manager explains that historically if the Planning Commission continues an application the board usually gives the curtesy to also extend to give the applicant time to make the changes the Planning Commission asked for.

Motion

To continue Consideration of road building and disturbance permit application Hancock Alley Block 18, Leah Chmielewski applicant to March 20, 2024

Moved by Trustee Chris Condon, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pat Fallon.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 4-0 Joe Croke sustains from voting

Staff Report

Clerk's Report

Noticed the 1 vacant Board seat, and the planning commission seats. Deadline to get the letters in will be the January 4th. Seats to be appointed at the January 17th meeting.

Manager's Report

Water rate study is under final review.

The Piedmont rd. has been approved by the county commissioners. The Forrest Service to work through this.

The EPA mandate for lead lines to be replaced. State grant is available to the Town to complete the survey needed.

Department of Natural Resources conducting a new floodplain map for the area. No cost for the Town.

Discussion Items

Rico school detachment ballot initiative

Detachment committee gave summary

Voluntary lead soils clean up ("VCUP") update

Tom Bloomfield gave summary.

2024 Budget second reading and February regular meeting dates

2024 budget second reading set to December 4, 2024. February meeting to be discussed at next month's meeting.

Construction impact mitigation rules and regulations

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary. Board discussed temporary water for construction. Staff was given direction by the Board. Redline to be presented at next month.

Adjourn 8:48PM



Anna Wolf
Rico Town Clerk



Nicole Pieterse
Mayor