

## RICO TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 20, 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 (7:04)

**Trustees Absent:**

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

### Approval of the Agenda

#### Motion

To approve the agenda.

**Moved by** Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Jordan Carr.

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

### Approval of Minutes

#### Motion

To approve the minutes.

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

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

### Consent Agenda

#### Payment of the Bills

Explanation of the Securities deposit return to Todd Herman.

#### Motion

To approve the payment of the bills.

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

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

#### Public Comment:

Skip Zeller: Rico Land collaborative would like to take on Town clean up. Looking into a grant. Recreational parking West Rico and Mantz Street becomes an issue. Signage to ensure snowplow and EMS access.

## Presentations

### Parks and Recreation proposed budget and site plan

Christine Fischer and Anais give presentation of the budget. They explain the timing on applying for a GOCO grant. This will be a competitive grant season.

Public Comment:

Katie Contillo: brought up a letter that was signed by 19 citizens to add a tennis court that could also be used for pickle ball.

It is expressed that the grant is maxed out already and the 19 signatures out it equal with the skate park popularity. The Skate park committee has provided donations to the project.

Discussions were had on other creative solutions to get funding for a pickle ball court outside of the GOCO grant cycle.

### Draft wastewater preliminary engineering report

Chauncey gives introduction.

Carolyn Pepin, Justin Logan, and Donsel from Bohannon Huston give presentation.

## Action Items

### Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Town of Rico and CDOT Regarding Signs along CO 145

Chauncey McCarthy gave summary.

## Motion

To approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Town of Rico and CDOT Regarding Signs along CO 145

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

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

### Consideration of liquor license renewal for Rock Laubster LLC, DBA Mountain Top Liquor

Town clerk confirms that the application is complete and compliant.

## Motion

To approve the liquor license renewal for Rock Laubster LLC, DBA Mountain Top Liquor

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

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

### Consideration of an access agreement between the Town of Rico and Atlantic Richfield Company for the purpose of sampling town rights-of-way

They Mayor gives a summary. Chauncey McCarthy gives detailed explanation of the process.

## Motion

To approve the MOU between ARCO and the Town of Rico regarding access to Town streets for purposes of sampling

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

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

**Staff Report**Clerk's Report

Still only one petition out for the two Trustee seats. Petition is due back to the clerk's office by October 13.

Manager's Report

2024 Budget first reading needs to take place before October 15. A special meeting will be needed to comply with the State. Scheduled for October 12 at 6PM.

Shop project: The hard ceiling came back at 2 million dollars. The Trustees direct staff to move forward with the contract.

Charge Point: The gas station is interested in taking the charge point station. They are working on figuring out the logistics.

Commissioners meeting will be held in Rico on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10AM.

Bustang stop has moved to in front of the school. The signs have moved. Progress on a bus shelter is slow but still in the works.

**Discussion Items**Voluntary lead soils clean up ("VCUP") update

Nicole Pieterse gives summary.

Special meeting to be held either the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.

Lot 6 Bedrock Subdivision, BDR LLC agenda request

Jason Soules looking for the path forward to condominiumize the lots.

Due to the moratorium on subdivisions this process will have to wait for the moratorium to lift. Discussion was had on how to combine the revision process as the Bedrock subdivision has already submitted many of the documents needed for this process.

Water account online bill pay

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary. The board directs to move forward with the online bill pay process.

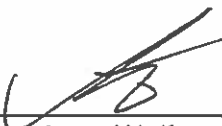
Proposed updates of Ordinance 2022-05 An Ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado establishing a licensing process for short-term rentals and amending the Rico Land Use Code to remove short-term rentals from special use permit review.

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary. The Board discussed the topic. To discuss owner occupied option in October.

Construction impact mitigation rules and regulations

Discussion was had on dividing single family residence from major developments.

Adjourn 10:29



Anna Wolf  
Rico Town Clerk



Nicole Pieterse  
Mayor