

RICO TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 18, 2024
Call to Order 7:01PM

Trustees Present:

Mayor Patrick Fallon
Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard
Trustee Joe Dillsworth
Trustee Benn Vernadakis
Trustee Gerrish Willis
Trustee Scott Poston (Zoom)

Trustees Absent:

Trustee Chris Condon

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

Approval of the Agenda

Motion

To approve the agenda.

Moved by Trustee Gerrish Willis, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Approval of the Minutes

Motion

To approve the minutes of November 20.

Moved by, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Consent Agenda

Payment of the Bills

Motion

To approve payment of the bills.

Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Gerrish Willis.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Public Comment:

Skip Zeller asks certification on time limit on public comment. Geo Thermal update. The Town needs to think about its involvement with the Geo Thermal process. VCUP question regarding weeds being transplanted during the process.

Action Items:

Appointment of Planning Commission seats

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives summary.

Skip Zeller and Michael Contillo the interested applicants

Board has discussion.

Motion

Move to approve both applicants to fill the seats on the Planning Commission. Skip Zeller and Michael Contillo.

Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Gerrish Willis.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Second reading of Ordinance 2024-06 an ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado extending the temporary moratorium on the acceptance of new land use applications for major or minor subdivisions, and residential or commercial planned unit developments

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives summary.

Public Comment: Skip Zeller

Board had discussion.

Motion

Move to Second reading of Ordinance 2024-06 an ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado extending the temporary moratorium on the acceptance of new land use applications for major or minor subdivisions, and residential or commercial planned unit developments

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Consideration of a Town-Wide Cleanup Event Proposal

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives summary.

Board of Trustees has discussion.

Skip Zeller gives clarifying answers.

Public Comment: Jim Baron

Motion

Move to approve the Rico Land Collaborative to use the fenced in area of the Town shop for a Town-Wide Cleanup at a date to be determined

Moved by Trustee Gerrish Willis, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

Amended: to include a written agreement between the Town and the Rico Land Collaborative prior to the event. Rico Land collaborative to provide the agreement to the Town for review. Motion contingent on the agreement.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Consideration of a liquor license renewal, Rico High Inc DBA Prospector, applicant

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Motion

Move to approve a liquor license renewal, Rico High Inc DBA Prospector

Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.

Staff Report

Clerk's report:

Preparing for closing 2024.

Filling documents in the Clerks office.

Clerk's office will be closed Jan 7-14 for the Clerk to attend her grandmother's memorial.

Manager's report

Putting out an RFP for grading the Roads and treating them in the spring.

Town shop update. IT will be complete by the end of the year. Hydro seeding and grading I the spring.

Update on Dennis. He will need more testing as well as Chemo and radiation in the New Year.

Plan in place for plowing when necessary.

Pat Drew stepped down from water position. Transitioning to new technician in the New Year.

Town manager will be gone for the week of Christmas.

Discussion Items

Conceptual review of the Rico Historic Society proposed community center

Deanna Drew gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Historic Society to bring update in January.

Existing easement agreement, Lot 39 and 40, Block 12

Reagan Ellease gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Town Manager to draft a new agreement including more defined terms regarding the appearance of the building.

Rico Trails Alliance pedestrian bridge

Nicole Pieterse gives update.

Board discussion was had.

Concerns were raised regarding the height of the bridge for recreational boaters on the Dolores River

CIRSA Board training

Chauncey to ask for dates in March.

Colorado Municipal League Conference

Town Manager gives Summary.

Board members to give tentative availability in January.

Energy performance contracting

Town Manager gives Summary.

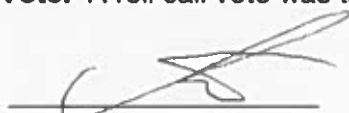
Board instructs Town Manager to move forward with the program.

Motion

Move to adjourn.

Moved by Trustee Gerrish Willis, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

Vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved, 6-0.



Anna Wolf
Rico Town Clerk



Patrick Fallon
Mayor

