

RICO TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 16, 2025
Call to Order 7:03 PM

Trustees Present:

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

Trustees Absent:

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

Approval of the Agenda

Motion

To approve the agenda.

Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Scott Poston

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Approval of the Minutes

Board discussion was had.

Amendments to the minutes: Second motion did pass.

Motion

To approve the minutes of March 19, 2025 with the above corrections.

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

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Consent Agenda

Payment of the Bills

Motion

To approve payment of the bills.

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

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Public Comment:

Nicole Pieterse on behalf of the Rico Trails alliance gives RGS river trail project update.

Presentation:

60% Stormwater design, Anderson Engineering

Anderson engineering gives Presentation.

Board of Trustee has discussion.

Funding sources were discussed.

Action Items:

Consideration of a letter from Atlantic Richfield Company requesting an extension for deadline to establish clean soil stockpile

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Public Comment: Skip Zeller

Motion

Move approve and sign the letter from Atlantic Richfield Company requesting an extension for deadline to establish clean soil stockpile.

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

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Consideration of Task Order Number 3, Sewer Design, Bohannon Huston

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives introduction. Town Manager Chauncey McCarthy gives high level summary.

Bohannon Huston Andrew Swartswalter and Donsel Worthington give summary.

Board has discussion.

Public Comment: Skip Zeller, Allyn Svoboda

Motion

Move to direct staff to receive the work order provided two contingencies are added: 1, that it is contingent upon the grant funding that is allocated to the Town of Rico 2 that the payment terms are subject to the Town's grant funding.

Moved by Trustee Chris Condon, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard.

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Consideration of quarter 1 financial statements

Town Manager gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Motion

To approve the Quarter 1 financial report as presented.

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

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Consideration of first reading of Ordinance No. 2025-02 An ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado, repealing Ordinance No. 2019-06, as amended by Ordinance No. 2024-01, and adopting new Water Operations Rules and Regulations and providing for penalties for violation of same

Town Manager gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Public Comment: Skip Zeller, Melissa Kawalick

Motion

Move to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 2025-02 An ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado, repealing Ordinance No. 2019-06, as amended by Ordinance No. 2024-01, and adopting new Water Operations Rules and Regulations and providing for penalties for violation of same.

Moved by Mayor Patrick Fallon, seconded by Trustee Chris Condon.

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Consideration of Town of Rico Digital Accessibility Plan

Town Manager gives summary.

Board has discussion.

Motion

Move to approve the Town of Rico Digital Accessibility Plan.

Moved by Trustee Scott Poston, seconded by Trustee Chris Condon.

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.

Staff Report

Clerk's report:

Quarter 1 closed out.

Safety Deposit box has the original incorporation documents.

Liquor License fee schedule needs to be adopted.

Looking into records retention schedule for the Board to adopt.

Cora request policy needs to be adopted by the Board.

Manager's report

Rico Land collaborative have provided material for the trash day. Completed MOA to be signed by the Rico Land collaborative.

Park pavilion work will start mid May depending on the site's water content.

No interest in the Soils position.

Parks position will be advertised in May.

Land use code restriction for the VCUP does not allow for hard rock mining by either party. This needs to be recorded by the Town.

Onboarding Civic plus in the next 2 months, online permits, cloud for CORA, online payments. It will find a lot of efficiencies.

Joint Planning and Board meeting May 14 at 6:00PM.

Closed on the Church on April 11.

Looking to use the Mantz building and Church for lodging during the Skateboard park build.

Dennis working on patching potholes in the roads.

Discussion Items

Town of Rico Road Dust Palliative Application

Board has discussion

Street Fund mill levy and sales tax ballot measures

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary, and timeline.

Board directs staff to use creative ways to not burden the residence with too much increase in the mill levy increases.

Rico Water System

Chauncey McCarthy gives summary.

Board has discussion

Rico Town Park

Chauncey McCarthy gives update.

Resolution and requirements for a letter of support

Mayor Patrick Fallon gives summary. Resolution to be introduced to the Board in the next few months.

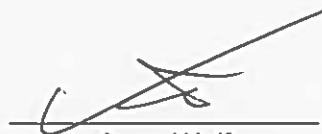
Motion

Move to adjourn.

Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Scott Poston.

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

Voting Yes Trustee Scott Poston, Trustee Benn Vernadakis, and Mayor Patrick Fallon, Trustee Gerrish Willis, Mayor Pro Tem Cristal Hibbard, Joe Dillsworth, Chris Condon.



Anna Wolf
Rico Town Clerk



Patrick Fallon
Mayor