

## RICO TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 19, 2022

### Call to order

Mayor Nicole Pieterse called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

**Trustees Present:** Mayor Nicole Pieterse  
Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Fallon  
Trustee Benn Vernadakis  
Trustee Linda Yellowman  
Trustee Christopher Condon (Arrived 7:03PM)  
Trustee Joe Croke

**Trustees Absent:**  
Trustee Joe Dillsworth

**Staff Present.** Chauncey McCarthy, Anna Wolf

### Approval of the Agenda

#### Motion

To approve the agenda.

**Moved by** Trustee Linda Yellowman, seconded by Trustee Benn Vernadakis.

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

### Approval of the Minutes

The date on the October 3, 2022 meeting is incorrect. The September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting Petrolern was misspelled. Rock Laubster Liquor was also misspelled. The VCUP section has typos.

#### Motion

To approve the minutes with the above changes.

**Moved by** Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Linda Yellowman.

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

### Consent Agenda

#### Payment of the Bills

#### Motion

To approve the minutes with the above changes.

**Moved by** Trustee Linda Yellowman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Fallon.

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

### Public Comment:

Linda Yellowman gave an update on her campaign for county commissioner.

### Action Items

Consideration of a temporary liquor license request/transfer, Boulder City Mixology LLC, applicant.

The Town Clerk Anna Wolf gave a summary regarding the temporary license request. Applicant Stu Weitzman expressed his intentions with the Enterprise Bar and Grill.

**Motion**

To approve a temporary liquor license request/transfer, Boulder City Mixology LLC, applicant.

**Moved by** Trustee Joe Croke, seconded by Trustee Christopher Condon.

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

Public hearing: preliminary plat of the Dolores River Trail Development, located on portions of the Hillside 1, 2, and Yankee Boy, Rebecca and Gordon Mortensen, applicants.

Trustee Benn Vernadakis recuses himself due to conflict of interest.

Town Manager Chauncey McCarthy gave a summary of the Planning Commission meeting. He added that a site walk thru will happen Wednesday October 26, 2022 from 5:00PM.

Public Comment:

Skip Zeller impressed upon the Board to make sure they understand that this could set a precedence for future applicants.

Mayor Nicole Pieterse asked Skip Zeller to make comment to the Planning Commission as well.

**Motion**

To continue the review of the preliminary plat of the Dolores River Trail Subdivision until November 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Moved by** Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Fallon, seconded by Mayor Nicole Pieterse.

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

Consideration of first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-11 an Ordinance of the Town of Rico, Colorado adopting the year 2023 town budget; appropriating sums of money; and setting and certifying town mill levies.

Town Manager gave a summary of ordinance 2022-11 and the October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting discussion. He added that the Rico Center potential funding has been added to the budget per the Board's request. The format of the budget has been changed to be more streamlined.

Board Discussion:

Trustee Chris Condon asked clarifying questions regarding budget items.

Trustee Linda Yellowman inquired regarding the Plexiglas that will be added to the lower level windows and whether the Library will need to pay for their own.

Chauncey McCarthy responded that the Town will be paying for all Plexiglas as it is improving the building which belongs to the Town.

Trustee Chris Condon asked if there has been a lease made out for the Library.

Chauncey McCarthy expressed that it hasn't.

Trustee Chris Condon requested the Board revisit this in November.

Public Comment:

Allyn Svoboda would like the Board to consider repealing the Sewer Mill Levy next year on the election as the proposed sewer system will only benefit the commercial core.

**Motion**

To approve the first reading of Town of Rico Ordinance No. 2022-11 adopting the year 2023 town budget; appropriating sums of money; and setting and certifying town mill levies.

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

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

### **Staff Report**

#### Clerk's Report

##### **Election:**

The Rico Municipal Election will be held November 1, 2022 in Person at the Court House. Polls will be open 7:00AM to 7:00PM. All residence will receive a mail in ballot from the County with the county, State and Federal questions that will be due back via mail or in the Drop box outside of the Town Hall by 7:00 PM November 8, 2022.

#### Manager's Report

Emails will migrate to Google Work Suit starting in the next few weeks. This transition will be more secure

A new microphone setup has been ordered to make the audio for zoom better during the meetings.

The Middle water tank was emptied and Riley engineering is confident that the tank can be restored. The repairs would be made next summer after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

The Storm water RFQ is out. There are multiple interests in the project.

Winter parking ordinance will be a discussion item. This will alleviate issues and some liability off the Town.

### **Discussion Items**

#### VCUP Status Update

Mayor Nicole Pieterse gave a summary on the public forum that was held. The Board will be presented with the document for revision by the end of the first quarter of next year.

#### Town building codes and fee schedule

The Board discussed the advantages of staying with the current building code. The Board agreed to have staff and legal draft an ordinance for next month's meeting according to the fee table presented to update the fee schedule to ensure the Town can cover all costs.

#### Quarterly Review

Town manager gave a summary of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter.

#### Town Shop Project Update

The Town Manager Gave an update on the Town Shop progress including test pits, the burn pile being burnt, and vehicular access to the river being blocked by machinery. A gate will be installed so pedestrian access will still be possible to the river from the Town Shop.


### **Motion**

To adjourn

**Moved by Trustee Benn Vernadakis, seconded by Trustee Linda Yellowman.**

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

  
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Anna Wolf  
Rico Town Clerk

  
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Nicole Pieterse  
Mayor