July 8, 2014
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Pitkin, Colorado
Minutes taken by Clerk Nancy Duetsch

Full and timely notice of this meeting was given to the public pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(2) (c).

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Mayor Pinkston called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Trustees present were Cyndi Wick, Rand Makowski, Suzy Metzler, Matt Buchanan, and James Sharpton. Shawn Cleveland was absent.

APPROVE MINUTES of June 10, 2014 REGULAR MEETING: Motion to approve the minutes as corrected by Trustee Buchanan seconded by Trustee Sharpton motion carried 6-0.

CLERK’S REPORT: Nancy Duetsch reported that the insurance loss specialist from CIRSA recommended that the Lavato building on Main Street should be removed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Motion to approve June Disbursements by Trustee Wick, 2nd by Trustee Makowski. Motion carried 6-0.

MAYOR’S REPORT: Mayor Pinkston reported that he would be gone for the August meeting. July is the month that Pitkin hosts the Mayor Manager Meeting. John Murphy will be speaking on travel management, his experiences and what he is trying to get done.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT: There has been service for a quiet title lawsuit. Mayor Pinkston waived it so Attorney MacDonald will find out more and let us know.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No report

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS:
- Building: no report
- Zoning: meeting pending
- Fire Dept.: The Firemen’s Day’s fundraiser was down 20%. There was an EMS call last Friday.
- Parks and Rec – Commissioner Archuleta reported that the benches have been sanded and refinished by her girls.
- Environmental Health: no report
- Streets: The mag chloride costs $1,850.00. It is the same concentration as before. We had it applied, not the county.
- Ditches: no report
- Cemetery: There was a meeting about the OHV trail that is proposed from the Quartz Creek Properties to the Town of Pitkin that would go across a section of cemetery land.
- PHCA: The Melodrama is cast and it is in rehearsal. There are 22 cast members. Movie night is Thursday at 7. The movie this week is Courageous.
- Town Hall: The outhouses have been updated. The Town Hall now has updated fire extinguishers and the batteries have been replaced in the smoke detectors.
They had a wedding and there has been $150 in donations.

OLD BUSINESS:
Discuss and vote on allowing easement - The Cemetery Board has met and would support the easement from Quartz Creek Properties to the Town of Pitkin so that OHV will be able to get from QCP to Pitkin without driving on County Road 76. It is illegal to drive OHV on county roads. Terry Davis, the President of the QCPHOA, was appreciative of being able to address the Town Council. The QCP is 4000 acres adjacent to Pitkin. The homeowners are very active in the Town of Pitkin. They feel like they are part of the Town of Pitkin. QCPHOA has been working with Gunnison County for a year and feel it is a great opportunity. The trail will not cost the Town anything. The Mayor was given a petition with 68 signatures asking for the Town to approve the easement. It will be easier and there is a safety problem when OHV go by the road. Trustee Sharpton would like to table the issue since we don’t have a map or any sort of notation. Marlene said we could get a rough drawing. We would need to approve to get going now. There will be an Intergovernmental agreement or an easement with legal description. There can be a clause if the cemetery needs the land the path would be moved. Trustee Metzler mentioned that it is not where the graves are. It will be nice to have it this summer. Trustees can picture where it is. Trustee Buchanan mentioned that it is a solution to a safety problem and would like to vote tonight. Trustee Makowski mentioned that Town’s people would use it too. Trustee Sharpton thinks it would be an asset to the Town but would like to have the map. Mayor Pinkston would like to vote. Attorney MacDonald asked if the easement were approved how soon would be have a map of some sort. Marlene Crosby said that she could get us a map by early next week. Attorney MacDonald will send it out. If there are four or more objections there will be a special meeting 7/22/14. A motion by Trustee Buchanan to make an Intergovernmental Agreement with Gunnison County signed by the Mayor to install an 8 foot wide trail for ATV/OHV and snowmobiles over cemetery property contingent upon no more that 4 Trustees disagreeing to the topographic map and contingent upon Attorney Macdonald approving the Intergovernmental Agreement. 2nd by Trustee Sharpton. Motion carried 6-0.

In the event there are over 4 or more objections to the topographic map, there will be a special meeting on July 22, 2014. Motion by Trustee Metzler, 2nd by Trustee Wick. Motion carried 6-0.

Trustee Wick thanked Townspeople for their support and for them going the speed limit in Town.

Resolution 2, Series 2014 – Resolution for Supplemental Appropriations. Motion to approve Resolution 2, Series 2014 by Trustee Buchanan, 2nd by Trustee Metzler. Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS:
Boardwalk – Boards are deteriorating and names are on them. Do we save the named boards when we replace them or not? Trustee Metzler has a complete list and we can put the names on a list if the Town would like to preserve the names. She also has the funds that are left over. We can let them get their own names if they want. Part of the Boardwalk from the Fire Department to the Post Office has already been removed. We would keep from the McDaniel’s to the Post office. We will replace the broken ones as needed. They have been there 20 years. We can use the salvaged names and put other named boards there. Use the old named boards that aren’t being used to fix broken boards. The Town would need someone to go through and fix. We could change the names to brass nameplates that could be moved from board to board when the first one breaks. Trustee Sharpton said if there is a board the owner can come get it. Trustee Metzler would like to preserve. There is a liability of the safety issue. Garry Winget

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volunteers to chair committee to replace the boards as needed. Motion by Trustee Makowski to allow Garry Winget to chair a committee to replace the boards on the boardwalk as needed, 2nd by Trustee Wick. Motion Carried 6-0.

Discuss allowing PHCA to put up signs regarding Town historical sites – The PHCA decided to do a flyer instead of signs. The flyers will be place in the Town stores. The places are in the flyer with the owner’s permissions. Marie and I were working on the flyer and put out in public buildings in town. This is better and cheaper than the signs. Motion to support PHCA effort to make flyer and allow them to list the Town Hall in the flyer by Trustee Sharpton, 2nd by Trustee Buchanan. Motion carried 6-0.

VAMP – Volunteer insurance is a great idea. Motion to approve Volunteer Accident Medical Plan for volunteers that help Town by Trustee Metzler, 2nd Trustee Wick. Motion carried 6-0.

Town paying for Propane to keep Community Center open – Charley McDaniel reported that the PHCA activities were over in September. They wanted to keep the Community Center open in the winter of 2013. The estimate for the propane was right at $2000.00. Alicia Archuleta heard that people liked the Community Center being open. Trustee Metzler said it would be great to have it open and good for the Town to pay to keep it open. Alicia reported that we could have a “winter propane account”. The Town does not have to pay for it all. It can do fund raisers like chili suppers etc. Trustee Metzler feels that the Town’s people won’t do fundraisers but the Town has the money. Can turn off one of the zones. Needs to be better planned than last year. It is the PHCA’s building. Garry Winget mentioned that the Council used to meet at the community center. There can be a partnership between the Town and the PHCA. Motion to pay the $2,071.10 for the 2013 propane by Trustee Wick, 2nd by Trustee Makowski. Motion carried 6-0.
A meeting will be held after Pitkin Days to discuss the partnership.

Vote for Brad Wick to rejoin the Zoning Board – Motion to approve Brad Wick on the Zoning Board by Trustee Metzler, 2nd by Trustee Buchanan. Motion carried 6-0.

Citizen of the Year – Jesse and Jerra Garretson, James and Lois Sharpton and Brad and Cyndi Wick nominated Helmut Metzler as 2013 Citizen of the Year. Motion to vote Helmut Metzler as 2013 Citizen of the Year by Trustee Makowski, 2nd by Trustee Sharpton. Motion carried 5-0-1.

Lavato Property on Main Street – Niles Scott a retired orthodontist from Pueblo and has been coming up from the 1960’s is very concerned about the collapsed building at 8th and Main. He is concerned about the health issues it may cause and the impact it can have on property values and wonders why the Town does not clean it up. He feels the Town should be able to condemn broken properties. The Town could offer to help clean it up. He feels the Gunnison County Community Development can condemn and make the owners get rid of it. Mr. Scott then said that the Center for Disease Control could come in and make an example of the place. Mr. Scott feels we are all at risk. He is tired of watching it and won’t be exposed to it any longer. Mayor Pinkston read a note from Garry Winget who talked to the Lavatos. The Lavatos don’t want anyone on their property. Trustee Makowski reported that he talked to the daughter and they have started to get it cleaned up. The Town can take them to court. There has been some theft. Garry Winget said that there is a gas tank on the property. Do we want to do something or wait? Write a letter it is the start of the procedure. Authorize Attorney MacDonald to look into it and get process started. Motion to Town Attorney look into what we have to do to condemn the Lavato property by Trustee Makowski, 2nd by Trustee Metzler. Motion carried 6-0.
ADJOURN: Mayor Pinkston adjourned meeting at 89:15 pm.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, August 12, 2014 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE PITKIN TOWN HALL. ALL AGENDA ITEMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE MAYOR, IN WRITING, AT LEAST 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING TIME.