



MINUTES
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Town of Red Cliff Council Chambers, 400 Pine Street, Red Cliff
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020

CALL TO ORDER at 7:02PM

ROLL CALL

Trustee Tom Henderson	Trustee Valarie Blevins	Trustee Amelia Neat
Mayor Duke Gerber	Trustee Dana Veljacic	Trustee OPEN
Planner: Scot Hunn	Administrator Barb Smith	Deputy Clerk Melissa Mathews
Absent: Art Fox		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Valarie Blevins to approve the agenda, adding a Discussion & Action Item #3 regarding a cigarette tax in Town, seconded by Duke Gerber, unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. December 17, 2019

Motion by Valarie Blevins to approve the minutes, seconded by Tom Henderson, unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nathalie Roy, 410 Eagle Street, proposed an ice-skating rink in the old gymnasium with a wooden frame and a bladder, which could be built and maintained by community members. Discussion on this included ensuring that the building can handle the weight of the rink; this topic will be on the next agenda.

Nathalie Roy, 410 Eagle Street, proposed that we have a Christmas tree burning event. Discussion on this included the possibility of holding it at the old dump on Friday, 1/10/20, pending permit approval.

Community members inquired about the gate to the Cemetery Road being locked. The Board and Staff explained that this was due to snowmobilers causing damage to the Cemetery.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

1. Short Term Rentals – discussion of requirements, possibly including the number and area where they may be allowed in Town, Business fees and requirements, and other concerns.

Mayor, Duke Gerber, has spoken with Property Managers in the valley about their experiences with short-term. Staff explained that the current requirements include that any type of short-term rental must have a current business license, apply for a Special Use Permit, and pay the required lodging tax. This was a continued discussion by the Board and community members, in which there was considerable agreement that regulations on the amount of Short-Term Rental SUPs that should be allowed and the length of time and renewal specifics need outlined. However, these details need additional research and input from residents.

2. Town of Red Cliff - Election Update

Nomination Petitions for the Board of Trustees open seats and Mayor are available. They need to be completed and returned by January 27, 2020. For the ballot election, which will be held at Town Hall in April, we will need some election judges.

3. Cigarette Tax for the Town of Red Cliff

Eagle County passed a \$4/40% tax on cigarettes and other nicotine products on their last ballot. Our one retailer of these products will be responsible for collecting and forwarding this tax to the County. This will be onerous for this small business. In addition, any towns in the County who have their own cigarette/nicotine tax will get to continue to keep their tax and pay the difference to the County. For instance, the Town of Avon already has \$3 tax in place – they will increase the tax to \$4, keeping \$3 and sending \$1 to the County. This is inequitable to towns such as Red Cliff, as we will be sending all \$4 of this tax to the County and keeping none of it here in our community. The \$4/40% tax is going into effect no matter what, and if we want to keep the tax revenues in our Town, we need to pass an Ordinance to get this tax increase on the upcoming ballot.

The Board directed Manager, Barb Smith to move forward with this.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 1, Series 2020

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF RED CLIFF, COLORADO, AMENDING CHAPTER 8 OF THE RED CLIFF MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR MOTORIZED RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

Motion by Valarie Blevins to approve Ordinance 1, Series 2020, with a change of the date in the text to March 31 from March 1, seconded by Amelia Neat, vote was 4 yeas and 1 nay, approved.

UPDATES

1. Mayor Update

Mayor Duke Gerber:

- Saw the letters from Santa and thought they were very nice.
- Requested information living with Mountain Lions – reminders and safety tips.
- Will continue to research the short-term rental topic.

2. Administrator Update

Administrator Barb Smith:

- Code compliance has been very busy dealing with enforcement and neighbor issues
- We have a new Building Inspector. His name is Jess Bradshaw and he has the same contact info as the past.
- January 14th is the Trail Grant Presentation.
- January 17th is a CIRSA training for all of the maintenance workers in Denver.
- February 10th is the Eagle River Community Water Plan Stakeholders meeting in Eagle.
- February 12th is a Flood Plain training in Buena Vista that Barb & Scot Hunn will be attending.

3. Other Staff/Trustee Updates

None.

BILL PAY

1. General Account

ABC Parts	5093 · Maintenance	(202.23)
Century Link - x199B	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	(159.70)
Century Link - x664B (FAX)	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	(87.82)

Century Tire	5093 · Maintenance - Loader Tires	(1,020.00)
CIRSA	5071 · Liability/Commercial Insurance Premium	(4,130.21)
Colorado Municipal Clerks Association	5182 · Dues & Memberships	(155.00)
Danielle O'Connell	5055 · Town Events - Xmas	(402.22)
Edwards Building Center	5100 · Building/Grounds	(186.39)
Forethought.net	5046 · Computer & Internet	(140.00)
Garfield & Hecht	5013 · Attorney - General Matters	(372.36)
IRS/US Treasury	Payroll Liabilities - Federal Wage Withholding	(3,240.69)
Lewan & Associates	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	(89.17)
Linda Overcash-By the Numbers	5014 · Accounting/Bookkeeping/Finance	(960.00)
Mara Geisler	5055 · Town Events - Xmas	(240.00)
MyNamePlates.com	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	(24.58)
NWCCOG	5009 · Benefits Health Insurance - December 2020	(1,349.40)
RG and Associates, LLC	5015 · Building Inspection	(1,865.78)
U.S. Bank Equipment Finance (Copier)	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	(498.12)
USPS	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies - Lien Notices	(55.00)
Waste Management	5086 · Trash Collection	(87.70)
Xcel Energy x7086-0	5083 · Gen Ops: Xcel Town Hall	(1,349.04)
Duke Gerber	5061 · Mayor	(250.00)
Amelia Neat	5062 · Board Member	(150.00)
Art Fox	5062 · Board Member	(150.00)
Dana Velijacic	5062 · Board Member	(150.00)
Tom Henderson	5062 · Board Member	(150.00)
Valarie Kay Blevins	5062 · Board Member	(150.00)
Duran, Floyd	Payroll	(1,491.77)
Matthews, Melissa	Payroll	(473.82)
Sandoval, Lorenzo	Payroll	(661.47)
Smith, Barbara J	Payroll	(1,859.26)
Martinez, William	Payroll	(1,133.61)

Motion by Tom Henderson to approve the General Account bill pay, seconded by Valarie Blevins, unanimously approved.

2. Enterprise Account

American Conservation & Billing Solutions	5028 · Meter Reads/Billing	(687.30)
CenturyLink	5033 · Wastewater Ops - Utilities	(53.70)
Ferguson Waterworks - GJ Pipe	5100 · Building/Grounds	(11.64)
KRM Consultants	7001 · Capital Outlays -WTP Bridge Replacement	(1,094.00)
Water Quality Control Professionals	5021 · WTP Operators/5022 · Repairs	(1,499.30)
Water Quality Control Professionals	5031 · WWTP Operators/5032 · Repairs	(3,191.32)
Wylaco	5110 · Road/Bridge	(116.70)

Motion by Valarie Blevins to approve the Enterprise Account bill pay, seconded by Duke Gerber, unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dana Veljacic to adjourn, seconded Ameilia Neat, unanimously approved at 8:45PM.