



**MINUTES**  
**Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
**Town of Red Cliff Auditorium, 400 Pine Street, Red Cliff**  
**TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER at 7:05pm**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Duke Gerber	Trustee Tom Henderson	Trustee Bob Hill
Trustee Andy Fobair	Open Seat	Administrator Barb Smith
Clerk Melissa Mathews	Trustee Dana Veljacic	Absent: Trustee Art Fox

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Duke Gerber to approve the agenda, seconded by Dana Veljacic, unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. January 4, 2022

Motion by Bob Hill to approve the minutes, seconded by Dana Veljacic, unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jake Blevins, 519 Water Street – Expressed frustrations with his current Building Application, the process, and primarily not being allowed to be on the agenda for the first meeting in February. After a thorough explanation of what he has experienced thus far with this process and Town staff, he asserted that he is disappointed with his encounters. He will comply with staff's requests and reluctantly accept being on the P&Z Agenda on 2/15/22 instead of on 2/1/22.

**DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS**

1. Trustee Applicant: Ben Kleimer

Ben Kleimer explained the Board that he wants to be a Trustee for many reasons, including that he loves this town, enjoys to be involved (has served on other boards in the past), and wants to generally participate in the town where he lives. After a few questions from other Trustees and some discussion, the board members agreed that Kleimer would be positive and respectable addition the Board of Trustees.

Motion by Duke Gerber to appoint Ben Kleimer to fill the vacant Trustee Seat, seconded by Bob Hill, unanimously approved.

Motion by Duke Gerber to amend the agenda, adding in the swearing in of the new trustee, seconded by Bob Hill, unanimously approved.

**SWEARING IN OF NEW TRUSTEE:** Ben Kleimer

**ROLL CALL at 7:39pm**

Mayor Duke Gerber	Trustee Tom Henderson	Trustee Bob Hill
Trustee Andy Fobair	Trustee Ben Kleimer	Administrator Barb Smith
Clerk Melissa Mathews	Trustee Dana Veljacic	Absent: Trustee Art Fox

**DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS, CONTINUED**

2. Commitment letter for \$10,000 towards the rockfall mitigation project

Staff explained that the County is applying for a grant for this project, which be about a two-million-dollar project. They are requesting a commitment letter from the Town to include in their grant request packet. Motion by Dana Veljacic to approve the financial commitment for the rockfall mitigation project, seconded by Duke Gerber, unanimously approved.

3. Extension request for the Streetscape DOLA Grant

Staff explained that this grant expires in March, which will be before we can complete the resident outreach. It is best. It is best to do a request before the expiration date.

Motion by Dana Veljacic to approve the extension request for the Streetscape DOLA Grant, seconded by Duke Gerber, unanimously approved.

## **ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS:**

### **PROCLAMATION 1, SERIES 2022**

A VALLEY-WIDE COMMUNITY READ SPONSORED BY THE TOWNS OF AVON, EAGLE, GYPSUM, MINTURN, RED CLIFF AND VAIL

Motion by Duke Gerber to approve Proclamation 1, Series 2022, seconded by Bob Hill, unanimously approved.

## **UPDATES**

1. Staff/Trustee Updates:

Mayor, Duke Gerber:

- There was a Climate Action virtual meeting. The main topic was benchmarking, meaning that the public sector would have to turn in utility bills to compare with other similar buildings. If a building scores poorly on that, they will need to do upgrades. This could have a negative effect on small businesses. They are also pushing new low-income housing to be electric-only. This seems problematic, in terms of having no back up power sources and relying completely only a single source.

Administrator, Barb Smith:

- COVID update: cases have come down significantly & rapidly, and the mask mandate has been lifted. We will move back to the Chambers for the next meeting.
- We have been having some trouble with the service to the SCADA for the Waste Water Treatment plant which comes from a separate tower than the Water Treatment Plant. Maintenance and John Volk's staff have been working to rectify this.
- The 1099 forms have gone out, so all Trustees will be receiving this electronically and in the mail.
- Regarding the Blevins' situation, staff has been working on it as vigorously as possible. In addition, the direction received from P&Z and the Board recently was for staff to get the thorough information to the Members with more advanced notice, giving them time to be able to comprehensively review it before they see it at a meeting.
- The parking situation at Krehbiel's property on High Street has become more of an issue. The tenants continue to park on the unfinished area, prior to completion of this project. The Building Inspector has written them a letter listing what needs to be done to receive a CO. Potential fines could be the next step.

Clerk, Melissa Matthews:

- The Regional Transportation Authority Formation Committee met last Friday and hired an attorney - Kaplan Kirsch Rockwell. The main considerations were the ability for a single firm to handle the political side of the issue as well as the financial/legal side. This firm seemed to be the best fit for the entire project. The group was unanimous in their decision. The attorneys will lay out the next steps, but it seems that getting the ballot question ready is a very high priority.

- Restarted the process of restoring the Old Town Hall building, working with the company that originally worked on this this project, Hoehn Architects. We are looking into grant options to help with the cost to update the Historical Site Assessment (HSA).
- Working on getting the business license and liquor license renewals completed for the year. A Liquor Board meeting will be coming soon.

## **BILL PAY**

### 1. General Account

Acorn Petroleum, Inc	5092 · Fuel	\$ (953.26)
Amazon Marketplace	5100 · Building/Grounds	\$ (243.66)
Colorado Dept of Revenue	Payroll Liabilities - State Wage Withholding-2021 Q4	\$ (2,027.00)
Eagle County Animal Services	5050 · Animal Control	\$ (207.00)
Karp Neu Hanlon, PC	5013 · Attorney	\$ (1,746.00)
Linda Overcash-By the Numbers	5014 · Accounting/Bookkeeping/Finance	\$ (983.50)
Mango's Mountain Grill	5051 · Marketing/Advertising - Town Events	\$ (40.35)
U.S. Bank Equipment Finance (Copier)	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	\$ (255.85)
Waste Management	5086 · Trash Collection	\$ (96.26)
Xcel Energy x7923-0	5084 · Xcel Street Lights	\$ (30.97)
Xcel Energy x7080-4	5082 · Xcel TV Tower	\$ (65.81)
Smith, Barbara J	Payroll	\$ (1,915.66)
Smith, Barbara J	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ (349.15)
Sandoval, Lorenzo	Payroll	\$ (877.94)
Matthews, Melissa	Payroll	\$ (1,361.65)
Matthews, Melissa	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ (349.15)
Gallegos, Nick	Payroll	\$ (1,089.58)
Martinez, William	Payroll	\$ (1,194.00)
Martinez, William	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ (349.15)

Motion by Dana Veljacic to approve the General Account bill pay, seconded by Andy Fobair, unanimously approved.

### 2. Enterprise Fund

USDA/Rural Development	2075 · Refunding Bonds - Series A	\$ (777.00)
USDA/Rural Development	2085 · Refunding Bonds - Series B	\$ (829.00)
Xcel Energy -x1529-6	5023 · Utilities - WTP	\$ (685.52)
Xcel Energy -x8434-7	5033 · Utilities - WWTP	\$ (1,668.41)

Motion by Andy Fobair to approve Enterprise Fund Account bill pay, seconded by Bob Hill, unanimously approved.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Duke Gerber to adjourn, seconded by Bob Hill, unanimously approved at 8:28pm.