



**MINUTES**  
**Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
**Town of Red Cliff Chambers, 400 Pine Street, Red Cliff**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER at 7:03pm**

**ROLL CALL**

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** - *Items to be added or pulled from the agenda*

Motion by Ben Kleimer to approve the agenda, seconded by Dana Veljacic, unanimously approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. April 5, 2022

Motion by Andy Fobair, to approve the agenda, seconded by Art Fox, unanimously approved.

**SWEARING IN OF NEW TRUSTEES:**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Duke Gerber	Trustee Art Fox	Trustee Cassi MacUmbert
Trustee Dana Veljacic	Trustee Mary Walker	Absent: Trustee Bob Hill
Trustee Ben Kleimer	Administrator Barb Smith	Clerk Melissa Mathews

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *For items not on the agenda, please keep comments to five minutes or less.*

Manny Pacheco, 129 Monument Street – Doing some upgrades to the plumbing in his home and inquired about the need for a permit. After explaining the planned work, the Board and staff responded that he does not need a permit for this project.

**DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS**

1. Presentation on the proposed Eagle Valley Transportation Authority (RTA Formation), Tanya Allen Tanya Allen with Eagle County described in detail the goals, current plans, and status of the proposed RTA. This will be largely transit related, with other areas such as trails, air travel, and maybe other projects added. The Town of Red Cliff is one of eight local jurisdictions who have signed on to explore this proposed project. Allen also presented the IGA, in its current form. The IGA will need to be approved by the Board, should the Town decide to continue to be a part of the RTA. In addition, the RTA will need voter approval in order to collect tax revenue and/or bonds to fund the system. There are currently three committees working on this project: Formation, Technical & Stakeholder. Allen explained the reasons for considering this project and shared the timeline, with the goal of getting this on the ballot in November of this year. She also explained the funding options that are being discussed and researched. The potential RTA will be focused on regional collaboration and resource sharing to address the following transit goals: enhancing transit service and increase ridership; creating broader multimodal integration across the county; developing administrative and operational efficiencies across the valley's four transit agencies; and exploring the ability to expand in the future to areas like Lake County/Leadville, as well as interconnections with neighboring transit systems.

2. Presentation on the Front Country Ranger Program, Paula Peterson with US Forest Service  
Paula Peterson summarized the work that was done last year by the FCRP. Their focused priorities include: fire restriction enforcement and fire prevention; monitor residential users; waste and abandoned property; and public outreach and contact. The program has been growing each year, allowing them more boots on the ground. They spend a significant amount of their hours in the Homestake and Shrine areas. This year, they will have a stronger focus on preventing human waste remains.

3. Event Application: Fundraiser for resident Maureen Armijo-Salazar, Liver Transplant  
Residents of the Town want to have a meal in the auditorium, charging \$20/person on Sunday, 4/24/22 at 1:00pm, with all proceeds going directly to Maureen Armijo-Salazar. Salazar is a long-time local with roots in Red Cliff, and is in need of a liver transplant. The Board approved the event plans, agreed to waive the fees for the auditorium rental, and to give a \$2,000 donation from the Community Fund.  
Motion by Duke Gerber to approve the event, waive the fee, and give a donation, seconded by Ben Kleimer, unanimously approved.

## **RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

### **RESOLUTION 2, SERIES 2022**

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF EAGLE, STATE OF COLORADO AND THE TOWNS OF GYPSUM, MINTURN, EAGLE, RED CLIFF, AVON AND VAIL, PROCLAIMING MAY 2022 AS WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS MONTH

Motion by Ben Kleimer to approve Resolution 2, Series 2022, seconded by Duke Gerber, unanimously approved.

## **UPDATES**

### 1. Staff/Trustee Updates:

Mayor, Duke Gerber:

- The Highway Clean Up pick up was rescheduled – Gerber will pick up the bags and vests tomorrow.
- A bear has been going through town and getting into trash cans. Residents need prepare and keep trash locked up.
- Began the process of getting new signers for the bank accounts. He will get the signers officially changed now that he has the required signatures.

Administrator, Barb Smith:

- Barb & Melissa attended the Downtown Colorado Inc. convention all of last week. This was a very stimulating and valuable experience. Staff has attended in the past, which helped kick start the Streetscape project. The attendance is largely from very small towns, making the information and networking highly pertinent for us. Minturn was selected as a 'Challenge Group', and it was insightful to participate with them.
- The CML Conference is June 21-24 in Breckenridge. If any Trustees are able to attend, we will help them to get registered and assist with the travel arrangements.
- This Thursday at 2:00pm, there is broadband meeting with NWCOGG. That will be followed by Project THOR meeting at 4:00. Barb will attend these in Silverthorne, and any Trustees are invited to join as well.
- Our network was not working properly this week and our IT company was called in. They have it working for now, and will keep a close eye on this to ensure that it was not a malicious situation.
- There has been a boulder hanging over the road at the top of the High Road, which did fall this week. Lorenzo has been monitoring it for quite some time. It caused minor damage to the road. This has been documented and the County was aware that it was a potential hazard.
- Having a gathering place in Town is important and highly valuable when trying to build a strong community. There are some great options that could be done in some of our small spaces in Town,

possibly even with the horseshoe pit area. Staff provided the Board with some examples of materials that could help with these types of designs.

- We have been in communication with Greg from DOLA and our attorney about writing a letter to SGM in regards to what we still believe needs done in order to complete their contract for the Streetscape Master Plan. We feel that they have not done very much community outreach, nor have they given a complete proposal on the finishes.

Clerk, Melissa Matthews:

- We received one Scholarship Application which is from Augustine Hancock. She has many achievements academically, athletically and in extracurricular activities. Her application submission essay describes her love of and commitment to this town. The Board agreed to award the Community Fund Scholarship to Hancock.
- After attendance at the DCI Conference last week, in addition to Barb's notes, other notable takeaways included information on the VISTA Program, ideas for community engagement, and ideas for ways to invest in our community through partnering with our businesses.
- The annual Easter Egg Hunt happened last Sunday. Thank you to the volunteers who made this event happen this year.
- The annual Highway Clean Up organized by the Eagle River Watershed Council will be Saturday, April 30, 2022, and our section is a one mile stretch along both entrances at Highway 24 into Red Cliff. Bob Hill will be the on-site coordinator for the event.
- Town Clean Up Day will be Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Information will be going out to residents over the next few weeks.
- The RTA Formation committee will need a new appointee (to replace Andy Fobair). After discussion, Trustee Dana Veljacic agreed to fulfill this position.

## **BILL PAY**

### 1. General Account

Bob Cordell Will, Jr.	5184 · Election Expenses	\$	(150.00)
Bob Trezise	5184 · Election Expenses	\$	(150.00)
Century Link - x199B	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	\$	(174.62)
Century Link - x664B (FAX)	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	\$	(97.52)
Colorado Dept of Revenue	Payroll Liabilities - State Wage Withholding-2022 Q1	\$	(2,123.00)
Eagle County Animal Services	5050 · Animal Control	\$	(213.00)
Home Depot	5100 · Building/Grounds	\$	(322.41)
Hunn Planning & Policy, LLC	5012 · Planner	\$	(600.00)
IRS/US Treasury	Payroll Liabilities - Federal Wage Withholding-March 2022	\$	(3,705.41)
Karp Neu Hanlon, PC	5013 · Attorney	\$	(54.00)
Linda Overcash-By the Numbers	5014 · Accounting/Bookkeeping/Finance	\$	(2,007.25)
Restaurants	5043 · Education/Training - Meals	\$	(212.50)
Vail Lock & Key	5100 · Building/Grounds	\$	(38.35)
Waste Management	5086 · Trash Collection	\$	(132.38)
Xcel Energy x7923-0	5084 · Xcel Street Lights	\$	(16.79)
Xcel Energy x7080-4	5082 · Xcel TV Tower	\$	(58.70)
Smith, Barbara J	Payroll	\$	(1,915.66)
Smith, Barbara J	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$	(349.15)
Smith, Barbara J	Expense Reimb	\$	(24.48)
Beyer, David	Payroll	\$	(1,240.66)
Sandoval, Lorenzo	Payroll	\$	(849.31)

Sandoval, Lorenzo	Reimbursement - Mileage	\$ (94.15)
Matthews, Melissa	Payroll	\$ (1,735.50)
Matthews, Melissa	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ (349.15)
Matthews, Melissa	Expense Reimbursement - CML Conference	\$ (199.79)
Gallegos, Nick	Payroll	\$ (1,243.90)
Martinez, William	Payroll	\$ (1,473.11)
Martinez, William	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ (349.15)

Motion by Duke Gerber to approve the General Account bill pay, seconded by Art Fox, unanimously approved.

## 2. Enterprise Fund

American Conservation & Billing Solutions	5028 · Meter Reads/Billing	\$ (951.75)
CenturyLink	5033 · Wastewater Ops - Utilities	\$ (57.96)
Ferrellgas	5026 · Utilities: Propane	\$ (2,816.22)
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	\$ (565.13)
Xcel Energy -x8434-7	5033 · Utilities - WWTP	\$ (1,696.74)

Motion by Duke Gerber to approve Enterprise Fund Account bill pay, seconded by Dana Veljacic, unanimously approved.

## 3. Community Fund

Augustine Hancock	5051 · Marketing & Town Events - Scholarship Recipient	\$ (2,000.00)
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Motion by Art Fox to approve Enterprise Fund Account bill pay, seconded by Ben Kleimer, unanimously approved.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Art Fox to adjourn, seconded by Cassi MacUmbler, unanimously approved at 9:44pm.