



MINUTES
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Town of Red Cliff Chambers, 400 Pine Street, Red Cliff
TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024

CALL TO ORDER at 7:40 pm

ROLL CALL

Mayor Duke Gerber	Trustee Bob Oppenheimer	Trustee Garrett Alexander (arrived at 7:50)
Trustee Ben Kleimer	Trustee Ondrej Mertlik	Deputy Clerk Chris Brown (absent)
Trustee Cassi MacUmbert	Trustee Art Fox	Administrator/Clerk Melissa Matthews

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Motion by Duke Gerber to approve the agenda adding Resolution 3, Series 2024, seconded by Cassi MacUmbert, unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 5, 2024

Motion by Cassi MacUmbert to approve the minutes, seconded by Ben Kleimer, unanimously approved.

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

None.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Front Country Rangers Program presentation - Micheal Beach, USFS
USFS rangers presented the 2023 End of Season Report detailing the statistics including: public contacts, dispersed site management, enforcement, campfires, developed site management, projects, and waste management. The program continues to make progress and grow their program. They are appreciative of the Town's continued financial support.

ORDINANCE & RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION 3, SERIES 2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF RED CLIFF, COLORADO, IN SUPPORT OF THE STREETScape PROJECT

This resolution states the Town's support of the Streetscape Project, including the importance of safety.

Motion by Cassi MacUmbert to approve Resolution 3, Series 2024, seconded by Duke Gerber, unanimously approved.

ORDINANCE 1, SERIES 2024, Second Reading

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING, AND REVISING CHAPTER 2 OF THE TOWN OF RED CLIFF MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING CANCELLATION OF ELECTIONS.

Motion by Ben Kleimer to approve Ordinance 1, Series 2024, seconded by Garrett Alexander, unanimously approved.

STAFF/TRUSTEE UPDATES

Mayor Duke Gerber

- Appreciates the signage on the old gym regarding snow slides.

Administrator/Clerk, Melissa Matthews:

- CDOT has significantly changed the scope of work on the West Vail Pass Project on I70, impacting safety and interstate commerce. This project was initiated in 2017 and was aimed to enhance safety on Vail Pass. Omitting climbing lanes and curve straightening compromises public safety, exacerbating challenges of heavy snowfall and speed differentials. When Vail pass experiences closures, we feel the impact directly with heavy traffic on Hwy 24. Most of the other towns in the County are submitting a letter of support encouraging the inclusion of this portion of the project. If the Board would like to submit a letter of support encouraging the project to be done as planned, staff has one prepared for the mayor to sign.

Board discussion emphasized the negative impacts of Vail Pass closures on our residents and agreed that it is important for Red Cliff to join in on putting pressure on CDOT to complete this project as initially intended.

Motion by Garrett Alexander to submit this letter of support, seconded by Art Fox, unanimously approved.

- We have a letter of gratitude prepared for SpeakUp ReachOut for the call box. This will go out tomorrow.
- Barb Smith and I have been working on a new federal grant application for the Streetscape Construction Project.
- Reminder that there is a Liquor Board Meeting (which is comprised of all Trustees) at 6:45 on Tuesday, April 2.
- The State will be conducting CPW's bi-annual fish surveys on the Eagle River. They will be in our area the first week of April and we are coordinating with them to get them access at the confluence. They have invited anyone interested to join as either a helper or observer. If you are interested, let me know and I will get you connected.
- The maintenance team met and established a task/project list and prioritized it. They will be busy with a lot of projects all over town this Spring/Summer/Fall including: roads, bridges, parks, buildings, WTP/WWTP projects, and winter prep. They are also working to come up with a plan for the current equipment and what they want to keep, replace, and purchase (such as the skid steer).

Trustee Garrett Alexander:

- EVTA: Starting May 19th, Dotsero to Vail will be a fare free zone (except within the Town of Gypsum).

BILL PAY

1. General Account

Acorn Petroleum, Inc	5092 · Fuel	\$ (1,997.20)
CIRSA	5071 · Liability/Commercial Insurance Premium	\$ (6,293.51)
Eagle County Animal Services	5050 · Animal Control	\$ (230.00)
Empower Retirement Plans	Payroll Liabilities: Retirement Plans - PPE 3/15/2024	\$ (1,085.14)
Engineer Supply	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	\$ 196.98)
Hunn Planning & Policy, LLC	5012 · Planner	\$ 400.00)
IRS/US Treasury	Payroll Liabilities -Fed Wage Withholding - Liab Pd: 3/16-3/19/24	\$ (2,220.15)
Karp Neu Hanlon, PC	5013 · Attorney	\$ (1,722.50)
Mango's Mountain Grill	5051 · Marketing/Advertising - Town Events	\$ 42.00)
SGM	6017 · Capital Outlays - Streetscape Project	\$ (1,200.00)
WalMart	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	\$ (55.92)

Xcel Energy x7923-0	5084 · Xcel Street Lights	\$ 15.47)
Xcel Energy x7080-4	5082 · Xcel TV Tower	\$ 105.85)
Xerox Financial Serv - Copier	5041 · Postage, Print, Telephone, Supplies	\$ 195.00)
Beyer, David	Payroll	\$ (1,326.76)
Brown, Chris	Payroll	\$ 939.55)
Brown, Chris	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ 412.00)
Sandoval, Lorenzo	Payroll	\$ (1,145.51)
Sandoval, Lorenzo	Reimbursement - Mileage	\$ 64.32)
Matthews, Melissa	Payroll	\$ (2,131.87)
Matthews, Melissa	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ 412.00)
Matthews, Melissa	Reimbursement - Mileage	\$ 80.40)
Gallegos, Nick	Payroll	\$ (1,418.14)
Martinez, William	Payroll	\$ (1,705.46)
Martinez, William	Reimbursement - Health Insurance	\$ 412.00)

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

2. Enterprise Account

Ferrellgas	5026 · Utilities: Propane	\$ (1,974.94)
Karp Neu Hanlon, PC	5013 · Attorney	\$ (35.00)
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	\$ (1,033.94)
Xcel Energy -x8434-7	5033 · Utilities - WWTP	\$ (1,956.94)

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Art Fox to adjourn, seconded by Cassi MacUmbler, unanimously approved at 8:56pm.