



**Town Council Meeting**  
**April 22, 2024 7:00 pm Council**  
**Zoom meeting for the public 958 684 9882**  
**Minutes**

**Corrected/Approved**

## **ROLL CALL**

Chris Johnson  
Cally Gallegos

Bruce Bair  
Gill Saunders

Jessica Hart  
Jeff Peed

Tim Pobirk  
Cherri Olson

Chana Clawson

### **1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Tim Pobirk made a motion to approve the agenda. Jeff Peed seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **Minutes**

**Disbursements** Jeff Peed asked what Blair and Assoc and Dalmatian Fire Equipment was paid for. Cally Gallegos stated that Blair and Assoc was for the exempt from audit, Bruce Bair stated that Dalmatian Fire Equipment was for the fire extinguishers in the shop. Jessica asked why we paid Mesa County Health Dept, Cally Gallegos stated it was for water testing. Jeff Peed made a motion to approve the minutes and disbursements. Gill Saunders seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **4. NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – May 13 Board member Training with Dana Hlavoc with DOLA. May 2<sup>nd</sup> is the ribbon cutting for four businesses in town. There are concerts on May 4<sup>th</sup> at Shadescapes, and May 5<sup>th</sup> at West Elk Family Church.

**6. OLD BUSINESS\*** - New rental contract for town which includes fees for liquor. Gill Saunders made a motion to table this until possibly June. **Jeff Peed** seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**7. NEW BUSINESS** – Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem. Chris Johnson suggested Jeff Peed as Mayor Pro Tem. Gill Saunders made a motion to appoint Jeff Peed and Jessica Hart seconded the motion. Cally Gallegos reminded Chris Johnson to assign signers for the bank. Tim Pobirk made a motion to have Chana, Cally, Bruce, Chris Johnson and Jeff Peed as signers on the bank account. Gill Saunders seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Filling trustee position. Jim Crook, Debra Jacobson, and Jay Ziegler each told the council that they would be interested in being on the council. Jessica Hart made a motion to appoint Jim Crook and Cherri Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Cally Gallegos swore Jim Crook in.

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Ralph Clark – looking to purchase 324 Fir Street. There is a small existing trailer on the property at this time. If he buys the property he would like to build a small home. The setbacks now in place would not allow him to build on the limited space. He was hoping the town would allow a 10' set back instead of 20'. He is not asking for the variance at this time as he is not the owner. The square footage for the lot is 10,454.

Mosquito abatement Chris Roundy, Colorado State Medical Entomologist gave the council a lot of information about mosquitos. Chris will be in the area and will be in contact with Tim Pobirk to see if the town has any options to eliminate the mosquitos.

- 8. PUBLIC NON - AGENDA ITEMS** James Chandler wanted to know if there are any laws regarding fences. His neighbor is putting up a 20' fence. The town does not have any ordinances. Bruce Bair said that if it is blocking traffic, it could be a problem. Chris Johnson asked if Bruce could meet with James. Bruce said he is super busy, but he will meet with him this week.

Tony Vervloet spoke about the outdoor pavilion. Their group has decided it would be best to promote the town hall before trying to get that built and promote it. He noted that it was a good idea for the town to start allowing people to rent the community room and allow alcohol. He discussed that the Friends of the Crawford Town Hall has not gone away entirely (Susan Hansen and Cathy Cheatham have kept it active). They will have a meeting May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 at 4:00.

- a. Public Works - Bruce Bair said there are three digital signs, Highway 92, coming off Fruitland, and Dogwood. One regular sign is just under \$100 to purchase. There have been two complaints regarding the property on Dogwood that burned. There has been a stop sign installed coming from Needle rock Road on Dogwood. Chris Johnson asked if it should have been three. Bruce replied, the county did a study and determined where & how many signs are needed. He said one option to slow people down is to install speed bumps on every street in town. Jeff Peed asked Bruce about the Lynch property (burned) and Cally suggested that volunteers could clean it up and could use the free dump day to haul it away. The turkey vultures have been a difficult endeavor. The laser is not working. Another suggestion was netting in the top of the trees but that could affect other birds. The best way to deter them has been beating the base of the trees when they start to roost, but Bruce nor Al can come here every evening and do that. Regarding water leaks, he has done 2 digs and 2 more to do. He will be installing a tap on Missouri Flats. Al has been sweeping and fixing potholes. Jeff Peed asked if Bruce knew any update on the bike rack that was discussed last summer. Cally said Nathan & Ira Houseworth are in contact.
- b. Administrator/Deputy Clerk. Cally Gallegos informed the council that the town will need to be ADA compliant on the website and she has applied for a grant for the software and got it but now must implement it. Cirsa is coming to the town hall on May 9<sup>th</sup> to make sure the office has chairs and computers ergonomically correct. She offered for each council member to make an appt on Tues afternoons so they can ask any questions they might have.

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- c. Board Members
- d. Mayor's Report Chris has assigned Gill Saunders to water/sewer. Cherri Olson is assigned to be a liaison between the Chamber and Council. Tim Pobirk will be assigned to mosquitos for now. Jeff Peed is assigned to buildings/permits and a liaison for the library. Jessica Hart is assigned to social welfare. Jim Crook is assigned to streets and drainage.  
Chris said that CIRSA stands for Colorado Intergovernmental Risk Sharing Agency

**9. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

**10. ADJOURNMENT 9:15**

**\*POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED\***