



**Town Council Meeting**  
**February 8, 2023 7:00 pm**  
**Zoom meeting for the public 958 684 9882**

**Meeting Minutes**

**ROLL CALL**

Wanda Gofforth	Gill Saunders
John Paton	Jessica Hart
Tim Pobirk	Jeff Peed
Chris Johnson	Bruce Bair Via Zoom
Cally Gallegos	Dana Hlavac DOLA

**1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Motion to approve the agenda made by Tim Pobirk  
Seconded by Jeff Peed. Motion passed. Cally had changed the date on the agenda after she handed out the packets. The agendas she handed to the public had the correct date on them.

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Minutes** -Motion to approve the minutes for January 11, 2023 made by John Paton  
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**Disbursements - None**

**4. NON-AGENDA ITEMS** - Report back Geotechnical results, 25 page report. based on 5 borings they found out the soil has a lot of clay 1 foot for every 10 feet. Conclusion moisture in soil will compact the construction. Potential loading lateral and upslope retaining will be necessary. Safety factor over 3. Uphill loading just above 1.5 and that is the reason for the retaining wall. No Geologic conditions. Bruce had a conversation with Steve LaBonde. Gage towns open Steve still has final planning which will take 2 - 3 months. Bruce recommends that the town move forward. Both engineers agree that this project will work. Board agrees we have to trust the engineers. \$100000. in funding should cover Design and engineering. Town would have 25% contributions. Cally and Bruce are ready to move forward. John Paton makes a motion to move forward on the grant for the spring, Jessica Hart seconds the motion. Motion

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5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** -Delta County planning commission meeting moved to online due to potential threats. Staff has been sent home for the day due to the potential threat of violence. Read the current flier on the Delta County Land use Code. There is a lot of misinformation floating around currently. I attended the Coffee with the Commissioner meeting at Lazy J and there are a lot of people trying to promote their own agenda. Some of the people attending thought that it was a building code meeting (misinformed) . I have been working with the County planner, who asked me about the Town in regards to Land use. I just wanted them to be aware that the Town was not going to be able to supply surrounding areas, like Black Mesa and Fruitland mesa with water. Part of the land use code would prevent landowners from selling land without access to domestic water. The County's main goal is to protect current landowners and all of our resources that can not sustain a huge flux of people moving here. The draft that was presented was just that, a very rough draft, a starting point if you will. The commissioners are still reading it and trying to understand it. Our commissioners live here. They don't want us to lose what we have here in Delta County but don't want to stop economic growth either.
6. **OLD BUSINESS\***
7. **NEW BUSINESS\*** Update on Crawford Library Sue Hanson, 40 year resident. Town Clerk for 6 years Project coordinator for building. Possible closure of the Crawford Library. September meeting regarding the possibility of losing the building. What would happen to the Library and the building. Libraries have changed, numerous meetings with commissioner Koontz, LaDonna Gunn ask what her vision was for the Crawford Library, going to library board meetings to increase awareness. Budget was in deficit and they approved the budget with a deficit. 3-1 keep the library open 3 days a week. staffing is an issue, 2. Partner with the library district to keep library/resource center. Other programming for the community. Multi-use. District is also interested. Better to get info before the time comes. Mission for district to deliver books to 30K customer. The friends of the Library wants to work to keep the building in the community. The building was funded by the community and DOLA grant. Board meeting will be on Wednesday at the Crawford Library. Bonna Sue introduce herself



and we want to pull people together. We would like Jeff Peed to be a town representative. Jeff agreed to be the town representative. Wanda asked about NF staffing. A manager and team of staff. Why can the upper staff not help out? The ones making the big bucks should step up. Bonna Sue is trying to work with the Library board. Board does care and are very supportive of our effort. Chris Johnson asked about the mill Levy would they try to increase that again. How can the Library afford to build a new building? The library is responsible for themselves. Bonna Sue added that this has been coming for years, long term. Staffing is still going to be an issues. Volunteers are to have a background check. Tim Pobirk, suggested that we find a high school student to learn about libraries. Crawford has the largest friends of the library.

Library is an important community service, just like a school and more important than a police station. BonnaSue adds that we want to tie the Town building and the Library together.

**Non Agenda Items - Therese McGraw asking if the town would be willing to let them use the ball courts. Cally asked who would manage the timing. They would manage the timing and equipment. Bruce sees the courts used some but not a lot. I doubt if there would be any more liability. Bruce is willing to give it a try. It is using something that is already existing. Chris Johnson establish hours and put up a sign so there is no confusion.**

- a. Public Works - Lead and copper rule process. Shout out to Alan, Bruce has only had to come in early one time, Alan has been the one plowing. Replace Chlorination system, 10 years since service. Waste water plan replacing the dam, that a muskrat got into. rebuild new one to replace that. Upstairs, replaced some lights.
- b. Board Member, Bruce and Alan did a great job moving snow. Tim Pobirk, Thanked Alan and Bruce. Hope to save the Library. Get your pickle ball ready.
- c. Bruce and Cally updated the Hazard Mitigation plan with Delta County which is currently being updated,they received a grant. Cally delivered the books to the auditor in Cedaredge on Friday. Cally is working on a prequalification application with CDPHE but can't login so waiting for tech support. Hoping when I can work uninterrupted on Friday I can get pre qualification completed. Cally has contacted the Delta County grant writer for some assistance. I just want to be sure that we find all of our options so we the Town doesn't get burdened with debt.

Clerk will be on vacation next week and will not be available.

Mayor report - March 8th Thanked Alan Cally and Bruce. Wendall Said that we could use last years \$6500 and will give us more money for this year.

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

**Adjourned 8:30**