

**Town of Pierce
Regular Meeting
March 13, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Pierce, County of Weld, State of Colorado, met in regular session in the Pierce Town Hall, 144 Main, Pierce Colorado at the hour of 7:00 PM, March 13th, 2023.

Mayor Julie Lukela called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Based on the roll call, the following Trustees comprising a quorum attended:

Mayor Julie Lukela

Trustees

Connie Schwindt
Geoffery Broughton
M. Sue Spurgeon-Paris
Carol Wirkus
Mary Heberlee- Absent
Todd Blehm

Others Present:

Kristina Duran, Town Clerk
Heather Rospierski, Deputy Clerk II
Buddy Vierow, Town Engineer

1. Approval of Minutes from February 13, 2023: Motion made by Trustee Schwindt to approve minutes from February 13, 2023. Second by Paris. All “AYES”, motion passed.

2. Approval of Agenda: Mayor Lukela would like to table #8 until Attorney Godbold is present. Motion made by Trustee Broughton to approve agenda with the change. Second by Schwindt. All “AYES”, motion passed.

3. Public Invited to be Heard: None.

4. Dogs at Large- Deb Schreiter: Mayor Lukela read the memo provided by Code Enforcement Officer Shippy which detailed his process for dogs at large. Schreiter said his memo was not truthful, and she has called Town Hall several times and not seen Officer Shippy respond to look for the dogs. She stated that she was attacked by a pit bull and showed pictures to the Board. Town Staff will remind everyone of the leash law for all animals in the newsletter. Schreiter wanted staff to include that she will shoot dogs not on a leash. Clerk Duran stated that will not be included because it is illegal to discharge a firearm in Town limits. Mayor Lukela will work closely with Schreiter and Code Enforcement on this matter.

5. Pierce Days Committee- Holly Bernhardt: Holly Bernhardt and Kara Johnson would like the Board to sponsor the Pierce Days this year since it is a very lengthy process to get a non-profit set up. Mayor Lukela stated that she talked to Attorney Godbold and Kurt with Crossroads Insurance. The Pierce Committee needs to set up a bank account and the Town will give them a check for the \$900.00 that the Town has been holding for them. They will need to track their expenses and if there is any of the \$900.00 left, it will need to be returned to the Town until their non-profit is set up. Crossroads Insurance also needs a list of what they want to have at Pierce Days. This will be added to the April Board agenda.

6. Maverick Disposal (Possible Water Tap for Business)- Chris VanWhy: Chris VanWhy and Mike Phillips would like to build a building that would include an office and storage for the trucks. They believe there would be very low water usage. Mayor Lukela stated that they should not make a decision on this until after NWCWD meeting on April 11. This item will be added to the April Board Agenda.

7. Resolution 2023-01 Cancellation of Temporary Use Permit to Section 131 Contract: Clerk Duran informed the Board this is a requirement when the Town acquires water. Motion made by Trustee Broughton to approve Resolution 2023-01. Second by Schwindt. Roll Call. All “AYES”, motion passed.

8. Conservation Easement Encroachment and Maintenance: Tabled until April Board meeting.

9. Comprehensive Plan Discussion: Mayor Lukela would like to discuss a section of the Comp Plan at each meeting. The current comp plan will be added to the website.

10. Old Business: None.

11. Staff Report:

(A). Mayor Report: Kenny, Donna and Julie gave their presentation for assistance for the Senior Center. There is also a program that will give people 60 and up rides at no cost.

(B). Public Works: Written report provided.

(C). Planning Commission: None.

(D). Town Attorney: None.

(E). Town Engineer:

1. Water Report: Provided.

(F). Town Clerk:

1. Request to Pay Bills: Motion made by Trustee Schwindt to pay bills. Second by Paris. All "AYES", motion passed.

2. Update Capability of Recording Calls: TDS can record call for \$78.00 a month if the server is capable. Staff can also put a thumb drive in the phone at no cost and see how that works. They will try that first.

12. Department Reports:

(A). **Water/Sewer – Trustee Todd Blehm:** He would like the moratorium to be worded differently on the website because he thinks it deters business. Clerk Duran stated they can do that, but so many times people move forward without talking to the Town first, and she would hate for someone to move forward and spend money only to find out later that they cannot get a water tap. Staff will wait to change anything on the website.

(B). **Streets & Drainage - Trustee Carol Wirkus:** Main street may not be able to be repaved because if the requirements for ADA. Engineer Curtis is looking into the minimum that can be done to be compliant.

(C). **Utilities & Energy – Trustee Mary Heberlee:**

1. Update CPR Class: Trustee Heberlee is absent.

(D). **Buildings - Trustee Connie Schwindt:** None.

(E). **Parks - Trustee Geoffery Broughton:** None.

(F). **Growth & Revenue- M. Sue Spurgeon-Paris:** None.

10. Board Communications: Police Report provided. It is also pretty easy for residents to start a neighborhood watch.

Adjournment: 8:10 P.M.

Kristina Duran, Town Clerk