

**Town of Pierce  
Regular Meeting  
June 13, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Pierce, County of Weld, State of Colorado, met in regular session at Pierce Town Hall 144 Main Street, Pierce Colorado at the hour of 7:00 P.M., May 9, 2022.

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

Mayor Julie Lukela

Trustees	Others Present:
Connie Schwindt	Kristina Duran, Town Clerk
Sue Spurgeon-Paris	James Godbold, Town Attorney
Todd Blehm	Brad Curtis, Town Engineer
Carol Wirkus- By Phone	
Laura McFarland- Absent	
Mary Heberlee	

**1. Approval of Minutes:** Motion made by Trustee Paris to approve minutes from May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 work session. Second by Schwindt. All “AYES”, motion passed. Motion made by Trustee Schwindt to approve minutes from May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Board meeting. Second by Heberlee. All “AYES”, motion passed. Motion made by Trustee Paris to approve minutes from the May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022 special meeting. Second by Heberlee. All “AYES”, motion passed. Motion made by Trustee Paris to approve minutes from May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Special Meeting. Second by Schwindt. All “AYES”, motion passed.

**2. Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by Trustee Paris to approve agenda. Second by Heberlee. All “AYES”, motion passed.

**3. Conduct on Board of Trustees:** Mayor Lukela wants to remind Trustees that every Board member has the right to express their opinion. In a meeting, it was said that one Board member told another to shut up. Everyone needs to have respect. Trustee Schwindt would like to discuss conduct of the Mayor as well. Rumors had went around, and the Mayor involved the Police Chief without verifying first. It costs the Town money everytime that the Police are called up. The Board has budgeted for raises and Tina has been given administrative duties for the Town.

**4. Public Comment:** Nansi Crom wanted to express her disappointment in the way the reassignment of the Planning Chair was handled. Rick Crom has served as Planning Chairman for 38 years. It is also concerning that the conduct of the Board of Trustees is even an issue. She

hopes that they will think of the job they have taken on, and what will happen if they keep going down this path.

**5. Open Public Hearing:** 7:14 P.M.

Public hearing on a request for annexation to the Town the following described unincorporated territory located in the County of Weld, State of Colorado. The annexation will be known as the "Pierce County Road 90 Annexation" commonly known as WCR 90 from Hwy 85 west to 5<sup>th</sup> St

Motion made by Trustee Heberlee to approve Pierce County Road 90 Annexation. Second by Blehm. Roll Call. Six "AYES", one "NAYE" by Paris. Motion passed.

**Close Public Hearing:** 7:17 P.M.

**6. Business License for 206 Main Ave- Grubbyz- Allen Buckendorf:** The restaurant has been turned back over to Allen. He would like to reopen as Grubbyz. Motion made by Trustee Blehm to approve business license for Grubbyz. Second by Wirkus. All "AYES", motion passed.

**7. Owner of 412 2<sup>nd</sup> St Questions Zoning:** Enrique Sirio is here on behalf of his Mom, Sylvia. The house has been vacant for years, but has been used as residential for several years. (maybe since the 30's). The Board isn't really interested in rezoning at this time but would consider giving a use by special review for residential living while the family owns the property. They will talk to staff to get this process going.

**8. Explanation of Change in Departments for Board of Trustees:** The addition of Growth and Revenue is to try to get some people to want to come to Pierce, and to get businesses interested in coming to Pierce. Nansi Crom wanted to know why the Police Department liaison was done away with. Mayor Lukela explained that we hire the Police to do their job, which is what they do. If we have any issues or concerns they can be addressed at that time.

**9. Application Fee for New Liquor License:** Deputy Clerk Larson recommends a \$200.00 fee for a new liquor license. Motion made by Trustee Schwindt to approve a resolution to charge \$200.00 for a new liquor license. Second by Wirkus. All "AYES", motion passed.

**10. Adopt Resolution 2022-10 Establishing Banking Requirements for Safe Deposit Box:** Motion made by Trustee Heberlee to approve Resolution 2022-10. Second by Schwindt. Roll Call. All "AYES", motion passed.

**11. Timer to Regulate Non-Potable Watering:** Motion made by Trustee Schwindt to approve purchase of the timer for \$1081.00. Second by Heberlee. All "AYES", motion passed.

**12. Old Business:** None.

**13. Staff Reports:**

**(A) Mayor Report:**

- 1. Discussion of Meeting with HOA President Rene Cobb:** It was explained that the water year is November 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>. The agreement for use of the wells is 90 acre feet total. Three entities use this. If we go over the state can shut off access to the water.

2. **Plans for Budget Process:** Meeting with Auditor this week. Trustees need to think about budget wants and needs.

(B) **Public Works:** Report Provided. Violated on 11/8/21, samples passed but didn't get reported.

(C) **Planning Commission:** Chairman Harold said there was no disrespect to Rick with the change in Planning Commission. There was a brief meeting last month. They didn't have any conflicts with lot line adjustment for Weld County Referral.

(D) **Town Attorney:** None.

(E) **Town Engineer:** Ready to move forward as soon as we hear from DOLA.

(F) **Town Clerk:**

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

2. **Water Report:** Provided.

3. **Schedule Review for Town Clerk Tina Duran:** 7:00 P.M. on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

#### **14. Department Reports**

(A). **Water/Sewer- Trustee Blehm:** Director Lester covered the violation. He gave information for safety equipment grant.

(B). **Streets & Drainage- Trustee Wirkus:** None.

(C). **Utilities & Energy- Trustee Heberlee:** Have been reading about water conservation. Will look into the Senior Center internet.

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

(E). **Parks & Recreation:** Absent.

(F). **Growth & Revenue- Trustee Spurgeon-Paris:** Provided an article about Cortez. She thinks it would be a good idea to have a farmers market, and have locals sell their produce.

**15. Board Communications:** Rick Crom served as Planning Chairman from 1984-2022.

**Adjournment:** 8:27P.M.

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Kristina Duran, Town Clerk