

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Martinez called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – Harvey stated there were no additional items for the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Paul Aragon – present
Tony Asbury – present
Andy Martinez – present

Gary Bruce – present
Jane Rumrill – present
Anita Salazar – present

Tony Trevino – present (arrived 7:16)

Others present were:

- Carl Harvey - Police Chief & Operation Director
- Bradley Sorenson – Town Clerk/Treasurer
- Barry Schaeffer – Public Works Director
- Clint Dudley – Recreation Director
- Brad Laue – Town Attorney
- Holly Bruce, Jeff Cogburn

MINUTES 11/14/06

Asbury moved to approve, as presented, the minutes of the regular meeting held on 11/14/06. Aragon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

WARRANTS 11/28/06

Sorenson indicated there was one addition to the warrants. The seniors will have 21 individuals present for the Senior’s Dinner. An invoice to Red Lobster for \$315.00 (15.00 X 21) for the dinner.

<u>Inquiries</u>	<u>by</u>	<u>Explanation</u>	<u>by</u>
NVAA	Salazar	The organization used for sporting activities.	Dudley
Garnsey & Wheeler	Bruce	Incorrect entry for amount. (167.49)	Sorenson
CSB Specialty Software	Salazar	Annual support for Police software.	Harvey
All In One Stop	Salazar	Replace headlight & assembly.	Harvey
Summit Supply Corp of CO.	Martinez	Playground supplies.	Schaeffer
Cole Information Services	Asbury	Phone # cross-reference directory.	Harvey
Tire Pro	Martinez	Tire for the jetter truck.	Schaeffer

Bruce moved to approve the warrant’s list dated 11/28/06 for the amended total of \$6,968.73 and staff salaries dated 11/8/06 for \$23,560.49. Salazar seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Martinez welcomed any public comments as designated on the agenda. At this time there were no comments to the Board of Trustees.

WELD COUNTY RE – 1, Bus Parking Request

Martinez recognized Jeff Cogburn, Director of Personnel and Auxiliary Services. Cogburn addressed the letter sent to the board regarding a proposed change in location for pick up and drop off of the school buses. The current area in the parking lot west of the school has become unsafe and unmanageable to control the area. Parents, teachers, and students are using the area simultaneously causing a traffic bottleneck. The school district is requesting to move the bus pick up / drop off out of the parking lot. They proposed two options:

1. Utilize the south end of the diagonal parking on the west side of Peterson Way.
2. Utilize the east curb on 4th Street just prior to the driveway entering the west parking lot.

The school district would preference the 1st option.

Martinez and Asbury expressed concern for the traffic and safety issues addressed by the school district and solicited opinions from staff and other board members. Harvey expressed his opposition to either option proposed by the school district. A number of years ago, the issue of school bus location had been addressed and the drop off / pick up area was designated to be off the street (the parking lot) as the safest area for the students. Designating this parking lot area for buses was due to an accident involving a student when the drop off location was in an on street area. Harvey stated he would work with the school district to address their perceived traffic issues but would ask that the board deny their request to change the bus drop off / pick up location.

Asbury moved to deny the request by the Weld County School District RE – 1 to move the drop off / pick up location for the buses and instruct staff to work with the school district to address any traffic or safety issues regarding the drop off / pick up of school buses. Aragon seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

RESOLUTION P – 2006, Local Government Cooperation with Federal Officials

Harvey introduced the resolution stating that currently the town does not have an ordinance in place that would prohibit the police department from cooperating with federal authorities regarding the immigration status of persons in this state. The approval of this resolution would bring the town into compliance with DOLA requirements for any current or future grant applications. **Trevino moved to approve Resolution P – 2006, Local Government Cooperation with Federal Officials regarding the immigration status of persons in the state. Rumrill seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.**

W.E.T INITIATIVE

Harvey discussed the announcement of a new initiative from the Department of Local Affairs aimed at making awards to those municipalities affected the most from resource extractions (coal, natural gas, oil and other minerals). The W.E.T Initiative (Water / Wastewater Enhancement and Treatment), has created a special opportunity only for the most impacted communities or municipalities to receive out-of-cycle Energy

and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund grant awards. DOLA district representative, Don Sandoval, has contacted staff and encouraged the town to apply for the grant based on our need and eligibility. This grant application would be an alternate to the Energy Impact grant the town was pursuing. Should this grant be successful the Energy Impact application would not be necessary. These grants are available to be awarded as a combination loan/grant or partial funding.

UPRR – Lease Railroad Drive

Harvey presented the board with the terms of the lease for the use of Railroad Drive by the Union Pacific Railroad. After conversation with the Union Pacific representatives, the town will maintain the weed control in the proximity of the property and in return the Union Pacific Railroad has reduced the lease amount to \$100.00 per year. Harvey stated the town attorney, Brad Laue, has reviewed the agreement and finds the document a standard UPRR property contract. The final details still need to address a couple of insurance issues and would request Harvey’s continued negotiations of the final details. Harvey stated the final lease would be memorialized in a resolution as soon as December 12, 2006 if possible. **Rumrill moved to approve the lease of Railroad Drive between the Union Pacific Railroad and the Town of LaSalle and directed staff to continue conversations with the UPRR to finalize the lease agreement. Trevino seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.**

AUGMENTATION UPDATE

Harvey updated the board on the status of the town’s augmentation plan. Harvey presented a letter from the town on behalf of attorney Ela requesting participation in the Godfrey Ditch augmentation station owned and operated by the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District entities. Harvey noted it might be necessary to acquire an additional ¼ share of Godfrey Ditch to be sufficient for the augmentation plan. The augmentation plan continues to move towards final adjudication that is pending before the Water Court. The Town has obtained approval for a substitute water supply plan allowing operations through the 2007 irrigation season, and anticipates obtaining renewals on that plan until final adjudication.

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION – The Armadillo Club

Harvey stated that all paperwork was in order and completed. Salazar noted the entries on the Fire Department Report of Findings. Harvey stated there were a couple of items that were in need of addressing but based on those issues denial of the liquor license would not be appropriate. **Trevino moved to approve the liquor license application renewal for The Armadillo Club. Rumrill seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.**

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Department Report – Dudley reported on the activity of the Recreation Department including the repair to the storage closet and installation of the new carpets at the community center. Dudley stated there are currently no new programs in the registration process and volleyball and basketball are in progress. The 2006 Holiday Lighting Contest will be announced in the upcoming newsletter and the judging will be December 18. Dudley requested judges for the contest and Martinez and Rumrill volunteered to participate. There is no new information available on the GOCO grant for the baseball fields.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Department Report – Schaeffer updated the board on the activities of the Public Works department including the status of the lagoon. Schaeffer stated the lagoon is doing well and all tests are well within acceptable parameters. Schaeffer continues to price the material that is needed to relined the sewer main from Highway 85 to the lagoon. Schaeffer stated he must purchase some more material in order to be in compliance with the agreement entered into with the Department of Health.

The pump has been pulled out of the old Dove Hill well and will camera the old and new well. Schaeffer requested the use of Colorado Water Well Pump Service in order to inspect all of the valves, fittings and other components of the non-potable manifold inside the well house. The board agreed that inspection of the mechanics of the pump prior to returning the system to the new well would be prudent. Schaeffer stated the Community Center’s boiler was not functioning properly and would be repaired later in the week.

Martinez requested that Schaeffer investigate the possibility of repairing the parking lot at the Town Hall. It was noted there were numerous damaged areas including the sidewalks. Harvey also stated that during the recent elections it was brought to the attention of staff that the parking lot was extremely dark and in need of additional lighting.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Department Report – Sorenson reported on the October 2006 Financial Statement, the status of the insurance claim from the N. 4th Street sewer backup and the status of October water billing collections. Sorenson requested setting the Public Hearing for Proposed 2007 Budget for December 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. **Rumrill moved to approve the setting of the Public Hearing for the Proposed 2007 Budget for December 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. Salazar seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.**

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Department Update – Harvey reported on the retrofitting of the police blazer, the status of police fleet and the training of Officer Stovall. Officer Stovall continues to progress well and should be taking his place on the schedule in about 1½ weeks

OTHER

There were no other items.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

Bradley K. Sorenson
Town Clerk / Treasurer