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TOWN OF ARRIBA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, April 8, 2019
Arriba Town Hall, 711 Front Street, Arriba, CO 80804

Call to Order Mayor Alex Flores called the meeting to order at 7:45. Roll call for the Arriba Town Board was read and those answering were Courtney Dean, Carolyn Steinsiek, Jack Petty, Leigh Anna Andersen, Bob Rush and Troy McCue.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alex Flores.

Public Audience included: Jay Spurling, Harvey Dumcum, Darrel Lehrkamp, Terry Saffer, Ed E. and Jody Schifferns, Marilyn Lightsey, Kayle Amen, Siobhan Steinsiek, Marcella Flores, Alex Flores Jr., Debbie Brooks, Jeremy Forristal, Rod and Diane Child, Marie Daniel, Larry Kitzel, Raymond Enderson, Jon Hart, Erica Saffer, and James Dingwall.

Jay Spurling said that he is having problems with sewer backing up on his property on the corner of town. He is also having problems with the sewer line backing up at Maria Root's house on College Ave. He said he had rotor rooted it and it didn't do any good.

Clerk Hart said that Jack Eberle on College Ave has been having problems with the sewer backing up also. Mike Becker said he would take the water truck down and flush the lines.

Debbie Brooks asked how much money she would have to start the community garden, she said she wanted to do the park mowing this summer and she had heard that the people that did it last summer got paid to do it. She said the first year she had volunteered to do it and she's offering to do it again but found out that last year 2 people got paid for doing it.

Trustee Steinsiek said she thought these people were hired to help Mike Becker with other things as well. Trustee Rush agreed with her.

Debbie Brooks asked if she mows for the Town will she get paid. Mayor Flores said no. Mike Becker said the Town doesn't need to hire anyone to mow right now because the park doesn't need mowed right now.

Trustee Petty said he used about half of the funds set aside last year for the community garden. He said there should be about \$150 left. The Board agreed that an additional \$150 will be allotted for the community garden bringing the total available up to \$300, whatever Debbie Brooks doesn't use can be rolled over into funds for next year.

Lincoln Community Hospital Services Erica Saffer gave an update on the hospital. She handed out a flyer which is attached to these minutes. Erica said that the 9Health Fair is this Saturday April 13th 7am to 11am at the Arriba-Flagler school.

She said that the hospital had the results back from a Community Health Needs Assessment

survey, the highlights of the survey can be found on the attached flyer.

She said the hospital is still working on the billing system.

She said the hospital is still working on the VA services and benefits. Trustee Dean asked if Erica could send her more information on the VA services. Trustee Steinsiek asked if the hospital could do a Q&A session about the hospital's VA services.

Approval of Agenda Trustee Andersen moved to approve the Agenda as written. Trustee Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes Trustee Petty said he read through those and he didn't see a lot of stuff that was in the meeting so he has a lot of questions as to why that is. He said so if we're going to vote on that now he has to vote no because there was a lot discussed in that meeting that wasn't put on the record and as everybody knows let the record show doesn't exactly mean what happened in the meeting, but let the record show. He said he doesn't have any copies with him he tried to print it off and the printer wouldn't print so he can't show anybody but he's sure they're online. He asked if the minutes were available to see for everybody. Trustee Dean said Clerk Hart emails the minutes to the Board. Trustee Petty asked if they were available to the people. Trustee Petty moved to table approval of the March 11th meeting minutes until next month's monthly meeting. No second, motion died. Trustee McCue moved to approve the minutes from the February 11 public hearing and the March 5th meeting minutes as written. Trustee Andersen seconded. Trustees McCue, Andersen, Steinsiek, Rush and Dean voted yes. Trustee Petty voted no. Motion passed.

Approval of Account Receivable and Payable

Clerk Hart said the Town received the \$3,000 deposit from Castle Rock Construction.

Clerk Hart said the payment to Lauer Szabo and Associates settles everything with them for the 2018 Exemption from Audit.

Trustee McCue moved to approve the Receivables and Payables for March. Trustee Rush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills

There was brief discussion on the parts and equipment ordered for the water line and fire hydrant going across 63. Clerk Hart said that the fire hydrant cost \$2,687.00. Mike Becker said there was one joint of 6" pipe leftover.

Trustee McCue moved to approve the April bills for payment. Trustee Dean seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Selling Town Property-Review Bids The Board reviewed the 2 bids that had been submitted for a parcel of Town land on the north side of College Ave.

Clerk Hart said that the Town received 2 bids, one from Jeff Fike for \$3,351.00 and one from Jay Spurling for \$5,000.

Clerk Hart said that it cost the Town about \$400 to advertise the land and \$600 to have the land

surveyed. Trustee Steinsiek said she had asked Clerk Hart to check with a realtor on what the land was worth. Clerk Hart said she had talked to Tami Witt about the value of land in Arriba and her advice was that a single lot was worth \$2000 at the low end, \$3,000 at the high end, with an average of \$2,500. Clerk Hart said that she did tell Tami that these lots had no utilities. Clerk Hart said that this land is 17,270 square feet which is equal to about 4 lots. So going with Tami Witt's advice this land is worth about \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Jay Spurling commented that about 5,000 feet of this land is Town road. Trustee Rush said that really that 5,000 feet should be taken off of the land parcel. Clerk Hart said another option was to cut another road through the rest of the Town's land on the west side of this property.

Jay Spurling said that the current road being there doesn't bother his intended use of the property.

Mayor Flores said he has never be in favor of selling Town property and he's still against selling Town property.

There was discussion on who has the final say- the Mayor or the Town Board. Trustee Steinsiek and Trustee Rush agreed that the majority of the Board makes the decisions, the mayor is a tie breaker.

There was discussion on why sell land when the Town is going to have to buy land for the wastewater facility. Trustee Steinsiek said that this land won't help with the land situation for the wastewater facility. Trustee Petty said that the land should at least be sold at market price. Trustee Rush suggested having a written access easement for the Town's road through the property and sell it that way.

Trustee Steinsiek said that she had missed the meeting where this property was opened to bids and wanted to know why it had been opened to bids. Trustee Dean said that at that time they were open to suggestions. Trustee Steinsiek said that a long term lease had also been discussed and asked if that had been explored at all.

Clerk Hart said that a long term lease wouldn't be ideal for Spurling's plan to build on the property.

Trustee Steinsiek said she hated to turn a business down and didn't have a problem with selling it.

Jay Spurling suggested just selling the 2 lots of the land right behind his shop up to Maria's gateway.

Trustee Rush said he didn't have a problem with selling it either.

Trustee Andersen said her thoughts were that the Town isn't taking care of it right now and if someone bought the property it would be mowed and taken care of.

Jay Spurling said he has been mowing and taking care of it.

Trustee Petty asked what kind of precedence does this set. Trustee Rush and Trustee Steinsiek agreed that it didn't set any kind of precedence, they agreed that it doesn't mean the Town has to sell any other property if anyone approaches the Board.

Trustee McCue mentioned that the Town sold land to the grain elevator in 1999.

Trustee Petty said it sounded good to sell it but it needed to be at market price.

Trustee Steinsiek said that would be great but what good is the land doing for the Town right now.

Clerk Hart said that right now the Town has spent \$1,000 in putting this land up for bid, there may be more costs if the town attorney has to get involved to write up an easement agreement and ordinance to make the sell final.

Trustee Andersen moved to not sell the land. Trustee Petty seconded. Trustees Petty, Andersen,

and Dean voted yes. Trustees Rush, Steinsiek, and McCue voted no. Mayor Flores broke the tie by voting yes. Motion passed.

Water for CRCC / Town wells and water line Mike Becker said the two in-town wells were upgraded with bigger motors- they're 5hp motors now, together they will pump 115 gallons per minutes. The old pumps had 2hp motors. These new well pumps should pump 165,600 gallons in a 24 hour period.

There was discussion on Castle Rock's estimated water usage versus how fast the Town's pipe stand will re-fill, factoring in the Town's usage of 35,000 gallons a day.

There was discussion on if Castle Rock will pump water at night, how this will be monitored and by whom.

Mayor Flores said he wanted Mike Becker to read Castle Rock's meter every day.

Debbie Brooks asked if Castle Rock was using chlorinated water or if they were using well water and if they would be switched over to well water so they don't use the chlorinated water.

Mike Becker said it was chlorinated water and it would always be. Mayor Flores said they were getting water from a drinking water line and this will use about 3 times as much chlorine gas.

It was noted that Castle Rock had asked the Town if they could fill trucks from a well if the Town can't provide enough water via the fire hydrant.

Mayor Flores said that the only water a person can get not chlorinated is from the stock well.

Mike Becker said nothing was done to the water line.

Trustee Petty said at one meeting the Board had agreed to sell water for \$8, then all of the sudden its \$6 and he wasn't informed of why it was changed to \$6. Trustee Steinsiek said there was an email that was sent out about it. Trustee Petty said the Board never voted on that change. Trustee Andersen and Trustee Dean agreed that yes the Board voted on it. Trustee Steinsiek said Trustee Petty was here for that meeting. Trustee Petty said there's been a lot of emails that he hasn't been getting, like the one he had here, his name wasn't even on it.

There was discussion about how much water prices are in Castle Rock and why can't Arriba get the same money as Castle Rock for water. Trustee Andersen said that Flagler sells bulk water for \$5.25. Trustee Petty said that the Board had voted on \$8 but then email gets thrown around that he wasn't privy too. Trustee Andersen said but you knew there was going to be a meeting about it and you weren't there. Trustee Petty said he had to work. Mayor Flores said the price was already agreed on before that meeting with Castle Rock. He said he wasn't at the meeting that the price was agreed upon.

There was discussion about bulk water prices vs. stock (untreated) water prices vs. treated water prices and which price Castle Rock should be charged.

Mayor Flores said that unfortunately the contract has been signed and the deal has been made.

Jeremy Forristal said that Hugo sells bulk water for \$20 per 1,000 gallons.

Trustee Steinsiek said that Castle Rock was getting water from Flagler for \$5.25.

There was discussion on the Town's allowed acre feet. Trustee McCue said that the Town will be using an estimated 30% of the allocations on an annual basis, right now the Town is using about 20%. Clerk Hart said that the out-of-town wells are allowed 80 acre feet each, one in-town is 50 acre feet and one is 40 acre feet, and the stock well is 50 acre feet. The Town used 58 acre feet last year. Castle Rock estimates they will use 88 acre feet. Trustee McCue said he did talk to Ben Daniel on the water board about this issue.

There was discussion on just because the wells are allocated that much water doesn't mean there's that much water in them. There was discussion about the possibility of the wells being

sucked dry and never being brought back. Raymond Enderson recommend the Town check the levels of the wells initially and then check them regularly.

Mike Becker said there was 47 feet of water in one of the wells. He said it was down 2 feet from last year.

Trustee Petty moved to have all the Town wells water levels checked. Trustee Andersen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The wells water level will be checked again after Castle Rock starts using water.

Mike Becker said that the Board hasn't discussed at what point does the Town shut Castle Rock off, like if the residents start being affected, or if certain residents have less water pressure.

Trustee Petty said or if there needs to be a replenishment rate set. Mike Becker said the next ORC might handle all of this.

Increase Water Rates- Adopt Resolution

Clerk Hart said that at the last meeting the Board moved to raise the water rates by \$11 but since then there's been more information come in from the State and the Town's auditor. She said the auditor reviewed the 2017 exemption from audit and the debt ratio covenant and he found that the Town is in compliance using the 2017 numbers. Clerk Hart said she gave that information to the State and the lady she has been dealing with agreed that the State had been figuring it wrong, the auditor was figuring it right however using the 2018 exemption audit numbers the Town is at 70% debt compliance but needs to be 110%. Clerk Hart said instead of raising the rate by \$11 the Board could raise the rates by \$5 which would generate revenues of \$7,000 annually and bring the Town up 112%- that's basing it off of 2018 expenses. Clerk Hart said sticking with the \$11 would give the Town an excess in revenues, \$5 would get the Town right at where it needs to be. Trustee Dean asked what the miscommunication was between the 2 different figures. Clerk Hart said that the State was figuring the annual loan payment into the Town's expenses, and the auditor said that the loan payment can't be figured into the expenses.

Trustee Petty moved to increase the base water rate by \$5 and to adopt Resolution 2019-3.

Trustee McCue seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Clerk Hart said that Resolution 2019-3 states that the minimum water rate will go from 38.50 to 43.50 for both in town and out of town and it will be effective May 1st, she said everyone can expect their June 1st bill to be higher.

There was brief discussion on raising tier rates. Mayor Flores suggested the Board re-visit this next year.

Evaluate Ernest Espinosa and discuss Contract

Trustee Petty asked why is the Town terminating Ernie's contract, what did he do? Trustee Dean asked if Trustee Petty had been getting the emails. Trustee Petty said obviously he didn't because do you see his name on here? Clerk Hart said she'd like to address Trustee Petty's email issue- she said he kept saying that he was having trouble and that he never got any of the emails, she knew that Trustee Steinsiek had trouble getting the emails when they were sent out in mass form so she sent Trustee Petty's emails to him privately which she does have proof of and they can go in and look at it. Trustee Petty said he has non-essential emails like the minutes, and he did look in his spam this time, so when he sees he gets emails about the minutes and not stuff like this which is very important it bothers him. Trustee Steinsiek asked if he had contacted Clerk Hart about it. He said he didn't know about it until just today, he didn't know Ernie's contract was terminated he got an email

saying Ernie is sending his contract to the Town, that's all he got so he called Ernie and he said he'd been terminated so Trustee Petty asked him why are you being terminated- so there's a lot of information that's being kept. Trustee Dean asked if Trustee Petty had called Clerk Hart. Trustee Petty said no because he didn't have time, he just had time to call Ernie, and Mike. Mayor Flores said your question was why we terminated Ernie.

Clerk Hart said the Board – except for Trustee Petty apparently- had seen the email she sent out on Thursday about how things went bad on Tuesday. Mayor Flores said for her explain how things went bad on Tuesday. Mayor Flores said Ernie Espinoza was the Town's ORC, the Town water and wastewater representative with the State, he kept the water safe making sure the town is taking all the precautions and he was the Town's go between with the State and let the Town know what rules and regs were getting passed down from the State and what the Town needed to do and the paperwork that needed done and all that stuff. Mayor Flores said he's very important to the Town. He said Mike has been working on getting that license but he's not there yet. Trustee Petty said Ernie makes sure the Town is in compliance with everything to do with the water in town. Mayor Flores said he's here to protect the Town from anything. Trustee Petty said that Clerk Hart said in an email that Ernie didn't need to be involved in any of this.

Clerk Hart said that on Monday, April 1st, Mike had told her that he and Castle Rock would be putting in the line on Wednesday (the 3rd). She said either Mike or Larry had told her that they were bringing over Justin Crisp from Flagler and Luke Strode to actually dig the trench and put in the hydrant. She said she called the people that would have their water shut off to let them know. Then she got a call on Tuesday morning from Mike Becker saying that Justin Crisp and Luke Strode had showed up to put that line in. He seemed pretty upset by it. She told him to do whatever he needed to do, she didn't see a problem with them coming early, but do whatever- it was Mike's deal. A couple of hours later Mike called her saying Ernie had gotten involved and Ernie was upset and Mike told her he was about to just quit and needed to go home. Then Matt Fonte with CR called her saying that Ernie shut them down, and Ernie had said Castle Rock didn't have the property paperwork or permits, and Ernie had gotten the State involved. Clerk Hart said she called Alex and asked him to talk to Ernie. She said that later Mayor Flores told her that not all of the parts for the water line had shown up. Clerk Hart said Justin and Luke came down to Town Hall, the parts still hadn't come in, they went back down and closed the hole up, a couple of hours later the parts showed. The water had gotten turned back on at that time. Clerk Hart said she had Justin Crisp, Luke Strode, Matt Fonte, Larry Hanneman, Mike Luft, Damien Duran and several other people that talked to her and were upset that Ernie had gotten involved and that Ernie should not have been involved. She said she had talked with Trustees Rush, Dean, McCue, and Andersen. She did not talk to Trustee Steinsiek or Trustee Petty. Trustee McCue interjected that he had received a call from Justin Crisp as well. Clerk Hart said she began investigating if the Town's breaks the contract with Ernie what does the Town do, Ernie immediately took offense to that and said that the Town should have broken the contract 30 days ago on March 9th before the contract renewed. The contract had already renewed she called Ernie and told him that she had spoken out of turn, nothing had been decided, and told him the Board is going to discuss all of this on Monday, but she did ask him that if the Board goes that way what are we going to do. Ernie said to break contract would cost the Town \$12,000 but he would work with the Town and take \$6,000 for his loss. She said that this is where she left it with Ernie on Wednesday. She sent the email to the Board on Thursday and talked to the Town's attorney on Thursday. She said that the Town's attorney said that Ernie's contract was crap and there were several illegal things in the contract and that the Town shouldn't have even signed the

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had said he's not signing that, he didn't want to take any responsibility for any work that he does for the Town of Arriba. Mayor Flores said and we're supposed to just okay that? It's fine with us? Mike Becker said Justin told Ernie he was going to take a BacT test and get it up to Colorado Analytical. Mike said he asked Justin if he was going to take the BacT test and Justin told him the more he thought about no he wasn't, so Mike took the bacT test. Mike said he forgets the statute or the law but any time there's loss of pressure to the system – and Ernie said he was informed there was no loss of pressure to the system- but there were 7 customers without water so that's loss of pressure, you've got to take a water sample up to a laboratory for bacteria. Mayor Flores said this is to protect the town so you know you took all of the precautions you needed when you shut the water off, when they did anything and you turn it back on, so it was good before and it's good again. He said why are we having such a problem doing these, we don't want to do them or what? Mayor Flores said he's trying to figure out why the Town got rid of Ernie, is he asking too much? What did he do? Trustee Petty said because if he's just trying to make sure we're in compliance that's his job, he's supposed to ask questions and get in there and know what's happening, and if he's not getting all of the information how can he make the correct decision to go to the State with. Mayor Flores asked what was the reason that we got rid of Ernie? Trustee Petty said it says right here in this that "he's lied to Mike and he's lied to me". Clerk Hart said it was all on her, the whole situation was all on her, she said she has grown increasingly frustrated with Ernie, she said at the meeting with Castle Rock the discussion came up about how the meter will be permanent on the fire hydrant and Ernie was all like this is the first he'd heard of this, well it wasn't she had 3 conversations with him about that, Mike had conversations with Ernie about that (Mike agreed). Clerk Hart said and that was just one of the times and she's not calling him a liar because she doesn't think he was, but maybe he's absentminded or he has so much going on that he forgets all of his conversations but there was so many times of that where they would go over the same thing and he would be like well I didn't know. Mayor Flores said he saw some of those records that she had given to Ernie and she had written on the on "well maybe it's this many houses and maybe that many properties" and that was his concern, that you can't turn that into the State with a maybe this much and maybe it's this much and Ernie wasn't frustrated he just needed a number. Mayor Flores said if Clerk Hart had just left the maybe off it wouldn't have been a problem but it seems like Clerk Hart did it purposely to antagonize Ernie even more- like "well I'm going to highlight it, this is what I said maybe it's this much". Mayor Flores asked were you picking a fight or? He said he understand Clerk Hart was upset with Ernie.

Clerk Hart said she was upset because they sat here and went through every single property and they had stacks of properties, all of the information- Mike was here for that - when were the house were built, what houses they were, and all this research that she had done and they went through x many of houses, x many of buildings. Trustee Petty asked so why was it a maybe when you went to him with those numbers. Clerk Hart said because he had all of the information and didn't feel like messing with it- that's why she had responded "maybe this much why don't you look it up". Trustee Petty said that's not how he wants business handled. Trustee Rush said a big problem that we keep running into is having someone from that far away trying to do it, if we had someone local a lot of this problem goes away. Mayor Flores asked how does the problem go away, you don't think a local will ask the same questions or want the same paperwork. Trustee McCue said an emergency meeting should have been called a week ago. Clerk Hart said this should have been discussed at the March meeting like the Board had on the agenda but Castle Rock taken a lot of time, then there was the argument with the water rates, it just didn't

get done. Trustee Petty asked why did you send him a letter saying that he was effectively terminated. Clerk Hart said she just said took it into her own hands. Mayor Flores said she just answered that she was upset and she just did it on her own. Clerk Hart said she's taking responsibility for that. Clerk Hart said she did genuinely call Ernie and told him she didn't have the authority for this, the Board will discuss it. Mayor Flores said he didn't feel like the Board had any grounds but it's done, Ernie's not coming back. Trustee Petty said it was wrongful termination and now the Town has to pay off everything he was going to make plus if the Board wants to dig further and go more after Trustee Rush said no it's only \$1800 not the \$12,000. Mayor Flores said it's something like \$3200, it's what's owed to Ernie for March and April plus the \$1800. Trustee McCue said he thought the Board should accept that and get busy finding another ORC. Trustee Rush and Andersen agreed.

Mayor Flores said and the next time Clerk Hart gets upset? Trustee Petty said then the Town just losses another contract and another \$3200? Mayor Flores asked the Board what they were going to do about what Clerk Hart did on her own. Trustee Petty said there has to be reprimand for this. Trustee McCue said if its personnel related it has to be done and discussed in executive session. Trustee Andersen moved to go into executive session to discuss this personnel issue. Trustee McCue seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The Board went into executive session at 9:13pm. The Board came out of executive session at 9:30pm.

Upgrade Waste Water Treatment Facility Clerk Hart said there's a report from Element Engineering. So the Town is going on to the next step of the process. She said she did talk to Jerry Sauer about how the Town would need to be purchasing land, he told her \$2,000 per acre is the minimum, he thought it would be a lot more than that per acre, but he said he would talk to Barney and get back to the Town.

Trustee McCue said the Town needs 10 acres.

Town Clean-up Day May 4th The Town is collecting stuff on May 4th before the County's Free Dump Day so that on Free Dump Day everything can be hauled down to the County Landfill. Clerk Hart asked what types of things won't be picked up. Mayor Flores said no refrigerators. The Board agreed no appliances, no electronics. Ed E. Schiffers said May 11th is the County's Free Dump Day. He suggested calling Micky Jaques for a list of items that aren't allowed.

Trustee Resignation Trustee Petty said he hasn't put anything in writing which is the most important part, turns out he's going to be here an extra month longer, so he will be here next month and it should be his last, and by that time he should have something in writing for everyone.

Park Tree Trimming / Tree Replacement Clerk Hart said the Town got a letter from Talbert Tree Service, the guy that trimmed trees for the Town last year, his letter is asking if the Town wants him to trim trees in the park again and possibly plant some trees to replace the ones that have been cut down. Trustee McCue said Talbert Tree Service got about 70% done last year. Mike Becker said he didn't think any needed to be planted but some trimming needs done and

there's one that is dangerous that needs to come down. The Board agreed that Talbert Tree Service should submit an estimate. Clerk Hart noted that the Town does have Conservation Trust Funds that could be used for this.

Maintenance Report Mike Becker said he cleaned the community garden and he got the mower serviced and ready to use. Other than that the wastewater is staying the same, the BOD went down, no violations, putting a little more out of the plant than what was with the one cell, it's still 7 days a week, now that the temperatures changed the aerator runs less. Trustee Andersen asked if the cattails needed to be burned. Mike Becker said the cattails have been burned once but they do need it again, he said he'll get with the fire department about that. He said that Castle Rock is going to connect to the fire hydrant. Mayor Flores said and Mike is going to check it daily and read the meter, the Town needs to know what is being used on a daily basis. Mike said Castle Rock did leave the backflow preventer and the meter on the fire hydrant up to Saturday night so he went and took it off and kept it in his garage then called them Sunday night and told them that he had it. Mayor Flores said this is why you need to stay on top of this with these guys. Trustee Petty said because they don't care, they've done this before with hundreds of little towns and they know what to get away with and we have to protect ourselves. Mike Becker said they have a lot going on too. He said if they can get a communication deal with Castle Rock and between him and Clerk Hart. Clerk Hart said that she had asked Larry Hanneman to be attend this meeting and he had said he would but obviously he didn't make it.

Ed E Schiffers said that he had to call Larry because when they put the hydrant in they left a pile of dirt and it was terrible, so he got Larry to take care of it and also fix the service road. Mike said if they couldn't asphalt it they need to maintain it daily. Ed E Schiffers said it's supposed to be back to original. Mayor Flores said Castle Rock will do it but it may be a couple of weeks.

Clerks Report Clerk Hart said Jean Eastin is having an auction on the 27th and had asked if the Town can block off Church Street from Lincoln Ave to Colorado Ave, so that people can't drive down that part of Church Street. Mike Becker said that was a good idea- it will be safer, he said he would take charge on that.

Clerk Hart said that Damien Duran is very serious about taking over as ORC, he's meeting with someone at town hall on Wednesday to see what he needs to do to get his license. The Board discussed how it might take him a couple of years to get his license. Jeremy Forristall said that Damien can't even get tested until he has a year of experience. Clerk Hart said that Damien has past experience which he might be able to use to speed up the process.

Clerk Hart noted that Jeremy Forristall is also licensed and may be an option.

Trustee Rush suggested advertising the ORC position for 30 days and then go through applicants. The Board agreed.

Trustee Rush moved to post the ORC job for the Town of Arriba in the Limon and Flagler papers for 30 days and review the applicants at the next meeting. Trustee Seinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Clerk Hart said she has the contract with East Central Council of Local Governments which is

the senior meals and services, the Town's portion is \$348 for this year, this is less than it was last year, Clerk Hart thought there was carry over from previous years.

Treasurers Report everything looked good.

Trustees Report Trustee Dean said she hasn't heard any more on the Red Cross.

Trustee McCue said that when we have this situation blow up like we did last week all of his efforts are only trying to help- he tries to help Josie he tries to help Mike and it seems with the way the information was spinning around it looked like that maybe he was trying to work on something different and he sure wasn't. He said his intentions are pure and he's never going to undermine the mayor, he's never going to undermine any board member here, he is only trying to help. He said the lesson he learned from last week is less is better for him, he doesn't know if this is because of his job as economic developer and there's more reaction to things that he says but he only wants to do what's best for the Town and he's never going to interfere with what Mayor Flores is trying to do, he's never going to interfere with the jobs that the staff is going to do and he's here to support and help. He said he's very active and he's always going to be that way, if the Board wants him to chair meetings as mayor pro tem and be able to sign bills whenever Alex is unavailable- well you're going to get the whole works and that is he's going to be involved and he's going to have conversations and if he says something that isn't right then call him on it. Mayor Flores said he would call him on it. Trustee McCue said he knows and he doesn't know what it is- what that information was that Alex felt that he was going against him but he assured Alex that it wasn't his intention. Mayor Flores said it was the deepest cut. Trustee McCue said he would answer to every email, every conversation that ever he said, every one of those is answerable and he's transparent, totally, he's not working the back side, not working under the surface, and if that's the impression that came out it's because it got perverted or misconstrued and he's sorry, but he is forthright and through the front door.

Trustee Petty said he's still confused about who the Town's next ORC is. Mayor Flores said we don't have one yet that's what we- Trustee Petty interrupted saying right, we have to talk about it but he thought they were lining Mike up to do that. He said his question is that when applicants come in, with him needing to get up to speed and them needing to get up to speed, you know, is the Board going to go with Mike first, because, you know.

Trustee Steinsiek said she didn't see where Mike was going to have time until the wastewater project was done. Mayor Flores agreed that there are too many big projects going on especially the sewer that he didn't want an inexperienced just got his license person to go through that. Trustee Steinsiek said Mike is going to have to have time to study and take the test but can't because of the time that he is having to spend elsewhere, so this probably will be a multi-year possibility, 2 – 5 years maybe or on a year to year basis but maybe 5 years before Mike is able, just because of everything that is going on, obviously the Town wants Mike to do it but he's got a lot on his plate. Trustee Petty said he was just confused because if the Board is going to have someone else train they might as well have Mike do it.

LCEDC Report Trustee McCue had a written report of what he has been doing with LCEDC and general news concerning other towns (the report is attached to these minutes).

Trustee McCue wanted to direct the Board's attention to the back of the report to the activities that are lined up. He said if anyone wants to meet the ag commissioner let him know because he thinks her time has been moved up. He noted that Arriba's Strategic Planning Meeting with James Dingwall will be on Tuesday, April 23rd at 7:00pm.

Mayors Report Mayor Flores said we had some issues come up but they've all been ironed out, the clerk made a couple of small mistakes but she's corrected them and they're moving along so this won't happen again and we're very fortunate to have both of these individuals working for us and we know that, and people makes mistakes because they're people, but we're going to get past this and work together and do the right thing for the Town, which is what everybody wants.

Adjournment Trustee Andersen moved to adjourn the meeting, Trustee Steinsiek seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Flores adjourned the meeting at 9:49pm.

Submitted by: Josie Hart, Arriba Town Clerk

Signed by:



Mayor Alex Flores

Approved by the Board on: 5-13-19

Town of Arriba
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 8, 2019
7:45pm

Sign In Sheet

Jay Spurling
Siddhan Steinsiek
Manlygo Lopez
Debra Brooks
Marcella + Alex Sr. Flores
Ray Erickson
Jenny Saffer
Erika Saffer

Ed Schifferns
Jody Schifferns
Marcella Flores
Henny Summer
Kayla Amos
Derral Schukamp



Lincoln Community Hospital Community Health Needs

In March, Lincoln Community Hospital conducted a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) with the express intent of gauging the health care needs of the communities within our service areas. The 54-question survey ranged in questions from a comprehensive gauge of community involvement and delved into what services our communities are and are not utilizing at LCH and what needs we can meet that we currently are not. The results of the survey will help LCH leadership determine priorities to focus on over the next 3 years. 166 people participated in the survey, which is the highest participation rate compared to other hospitals conducting similar surveys across the region. Here are some of the highlights of the assessment data:

Of the 166 participants:

- Many zip codes were reported across the service area
- Participants ranged in age from 25-97
- 86% reported some level of employment and 20% were retired

Doing Well & Needs Improvement

Overwhelmingly, participants stated that what LCH does best is providing excellent Patient Care and they were satisfied with the care & services they received at Lincoln Community Hospital.

Areas of improvement, as no surprise, was related to processes, which is currently undergoing a complete overhaul. Another area of concern to those in the survey was the need for facility upgrades/renov.

Behavioral Health & Substance Abuse

Responses related to mental/behavioral health issues and substance abuse show that respondents believe these are healthcare concerns in our community that need to be addressed.

Aging Population

Several questions related to growing old in Lincoln County and senior services raised participants concerns that there is a need for better senior services within our county.

Conclusion

Our Leadership Team will be reviewing all the data collected from the Community Health Needs Assessment Survey, as well as meeting with local stakeholders to determine priorities, goals, and strategies to effect change over the next 3 years. We will be releasing a report of the entire process as soon as it is completed to those who participated in the survey. Thank you for your invaluable input!

Lincoln County Economic Development

Executive Director Report

April 8, 2019

-Lincoln County:

- Held March 27th Census 2020 County Steering Committee meeting at courthouse, good attendance
- Hosted successful Nuts and Bolts of a CLG at fairgrounds and Roundhouse/courthouse
- Hosted EDCC Pre-conference Data Management meeting 3/11 and 3/12 Regional Forum at Fairgrounds
- Working on current wind industry support project regarding potential transportation hub

-Arriba:

- Submitted USDA Communities Facilities pre-application for bunker gear/equipment for NELFPD
- Helping coordinate Arriba water sales and new batch plant being set just east of Brent Welding
- Coordinating wrap up of LED lighting upgrades at Leisure Pines, investigating LED street light upgrades.

-Genoa:

- Attended March board meeting
- Attending Creative Districting meeting with See Six States in April

-Hugo:

- Assisted with countywide Roundtable session at Depot on 2/25
- Helped host Roundhouse open house during CLG conference on 3/7, EDCC Forum on 3/11 & 3/12
- James attended Admin and Public Safety Meetings in March

-Limon:

- Participating in signage committee, weighed in on tourism funding of welcome signs
- Hosting real estate meeting with area realtors and High Plains Bank on April 12th
- Finalized Wausau incentive agreements, awaiting their signed return. Hosted Wausau at annual meeting 3/27. 40 in attendance
- Prospecting two small business locations
- Karval:** -Secured Cooper Clark funding for Karval Food Pantry freezer purchase
- Attended Karval Community Alliance meeting 3/12
- Continuing to seek grant assistance for Karval Community Building for Food Pantry
- Small Business Development Center:** -Attended awards ceremony in Denver for outstanding program recognition on 2/21

- Raejean picked up two new clients over last two weeks
- Reported SBDC impact for changing Governor's Office and CSBC direction-state level
- Hosting SBDC local tour of State Advisory Committee and CSBC staff on 4/10 in Limon and Hugo
- Americorps/VISTA:
 - James incorporating roundtable outcomes
 - Listing and promotion of VISTA Year 3 opportunity now active
 - James preparing for final round of Action Plan input for Strategic Plan
- Your Community Foundation:
 - Theater has seen better overall average attendance, hosting private parties regularly
 - Special screening of Goodland to be held 4/18, 7:00 p.m. with Josh Doke in attendance
 - Special screening of Ocean of Grass to be held 4/24, 7:30 p.m., ECVS sponsoring and asking for donations for Nebraska flood and storm victims
 - Undergoing new team leader scheduling, assigning changing theater duties
 - Signed two new passthrough agreements with Friends of the Tower, Colorado Prairie Arts and Music Council (CPAM)
- Seminars/Training Events: -Troy is pursuing CEcD certification, FDI course starts on May 1st online, Real Estate Finance course in Salt Lake City in mid-June.
- Lincoln County Economic Development Annual Meeting held Wednesday, March 27th Roger Thompson and Jamie Schoeneman of Wausau Supply were guest speakers

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Tuesday, April 9th, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m., Limon Community Building: Meet Kate Greenberg, CO Commissioner of Agriculture.
- Wednesday, April 10th, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Eastern Trails Depot in Hugo, SBDC County Business Roundtable – meet with state SBDC Leadership
- Thursday, April 11th, 1:00 p.m., Limon Community Building—WIX DIY Web Development
- Friday, April 12th, 2:00p.m., TA Country Pride Restaurant in Limon, High Plains Bank – housing finance meeting.
- Wednesday, April 18th, 7:00 p.m., Goodland Movie, hosted by Josh Doke, producer, at Lincoln Theatre
- Thursday, April 24th, 7:30 p.m., Ocean of Grass Movie at Lincoln Theatre, benefitting storm and flood victims in Nebraska
- Thursday, April 24th, Rural Philanthropy Days Foundation Committee visitation to Lincoln County