

**TOWN OF ARRIBA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, February 10, 2020
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 Marilyn Lightsey, Bob Rush, Carolyn Steinsiek, and Troy McCue. Leigh Anna Andersen and Courtney Dean were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Troy McCue.

Public Audience included: Jay Spurling, Kayle Amen, Marie Daniel, Alice Arsenault, Taylor Henderson, Rachel Smith, and Debbie Brooks.

Rachel Smith gave a report on the Lincoln Community Hospital, her report is attached to these minutes.

Taylor Henderson said he represents the Arriba Wind Farm, they've been working since 2012 to develop a wind farm north of Arriba with NGC Partners. He said he's been on this team for a couple of months but has been working in Lincoln County for the past 10 years. He said that a few things still need to be approved with Lincoln County and local land owners before wind tower construction begins. They estimate around 60 wind towers will be constructed. He said they hope to start construction in the fall of 2020. He said they will need water for the construction and they want to invest locally. He said he is working on how much water will be needed and can get those numbers to the Town.

The Board voiced concerns about fulfilling the water agreement with Castle Rock Construction this year and staying within the Town's allowed acre feed.

Debbie Brooks said that she would like to do the community garden again this year. The Board agreed that \$300 was allocated for this. Debbie said she would like to start putting fertilizer on the garden beds and will turn in receipts for her expenses.

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

Approval of Minutes Trustee McCue moved to approve the minutes from the January 13 regular meeting as written. Trustee Rush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Account Receivable and Payable
Trustee McCue moved to approve the Receivables and Payables for January. Trustee Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills

Clerk Hart noted the annual LCEDC contribution.

Trustee Steinsiek moved to approve the February bills for payment. Trustee Lightsey seconded. Trustee McCue abstained. Trustees Lightsey, Steinsiek and Rush voted yes. Motion passed.

Upgrade Wastewater Treatment Facility Alice Arsenault said she had a phone conference with Mike and Josie in December about the wants and needs for the wastewater facility now that the Board has decided to not pursue an evaporative pond.

She said the alternatives for improvements to the wastewater facility included:

Cell 1 – Remove Biosolids and Reline	195,000
Cell 1- Remove Biosolids and Reline & Install Headworks & Drill well	370,000
Cell 1 & 2- Remove Biosolids and Reline & Install Headworks & Drill Well & Rehab Road	558,000

Add-On Items:

Spare Chlorine Injection Pump	500
Remove Cattails Near Discharge	1,500
New Aerator (Pond 2)	35,000
Flow Meter for CDOT Area	17,500

Alice noted that in their experience CDPHE will not fund a project less than \$100,000.

She explained that the headworks (automated screen cleaner) will need a source of fresh water to run and maintain it. She said that it will be much cheaper to drill a well near the wastewater facility than to run a line from the town under 63. She said that since the liners in the ponds were put in at the same time the liner in pond 2 more than likely needs replaced also.

Alice said Road Rehab was estimated to be \$25,000. The Board agreed that the Town could rehab the road for much cheaper than that. The Board agreed to remove that from the list of improvements and go with Alt. 1C and include all of the Add-On Items.

Mike Becker said that \$35,000 seemed like too much for an aerator. Alice said she would get some estimates for aerators like what the Town already has.

There was discussion on if the sewer rates would need to be increased again to fund these improvements but more financial information is needed. Clerk Hart said her opinion was that the Rest Area's sewer fee should be increased.

Trustee Rush said there are several monitoring wells around the wastewater facility and wondered if they could be used as the fresh water source, Alice and Mike said they would look into it.

There was discussion about the biosolids in the ponds and how this is very costly remove. It was noted that the Town had biosolids removed and hauled off a few years ago.

Alice said she would make revisions to the improvement plan and send the updated information to the Board to review then put that information in the PNA. She said she would be available for calling in to the next Board meeting.

There was discussion on buying land from Prosper Farms for future expansion of the wastewater facility. Alice said to keep in mind the CDPHE ¼ mile set back requirements. She said it would be better if the Town could purchase land on the east side of the wastewater facility.

Sewer Rate Increase Clerk Hart said the proposed sewer rate increase is \$5. This would be a \$5 increase to the in town residential rate which would increase it from \$31.50 to \$36.50 and the out of town residential would increase from \$55 to \$60. This increase would be effective in March 2020, so the first increase would be seen on the April bill. Trustee McCue moved to adopt resolution 2020-2 as written. Trustee Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Proposed Ordinance regarding Write-ins and Cancelling an Election Clerk Hart said that a hearing for this ordinance was scheduled for the end of January but was unable to be held due to a lack of a quorum. Clerk Hart explained what a write-in candidate is and how the Town already has an ordinance relating to write-ins but that it is outdated and the town does not have an ordinance allowing cancelling an election in the event there are not more candidates than open positions. Clerk Hart said this proposed ordinance covers updating the write-in candidate requirements and cancelling an election. Clerk Hart said that this ordinance needed to be adopted before the next election in 2022. The Board agreed that a public hearing will be held on Monday, March 9 at 7:15pm.

April 2020 Election Clerk Hart put the names of the candidates in a hat and had Trustee Rush draw the names to determine name positions on the ballot. Names were drawn as follows:

Beverly Langley
Carolyn Steinsiek
Jeff Fike
Marilyn Lightsey
Marie Daniel
Jay Spurling
Kayle Amen

There are 4 trustee positions open so a person can vote for up to 4 people.
Clerk Hart said that mail ballots will go out mid-March. She said election judges so far will be Charlotte Smithburg, Doris King, and Doris' assistant Jennifer.
Clerk Hart said the Burlington Record is printing the ballots, envelopes, and secrecy sleeves.

Zoning Trustee McCue said one thing that was discussed at the work session was how do you take an area like College Avenue that has commercial and residential interspersed. He said he talked to Chris Snyder and Greg at Limon Town Hall and they said what the Town should do is zone it commercial then have the use by right. That way if a house sales they don't have to come before the Board because it's not a change in use by right. If someone wanted to change an existing commercial use into a residential use then they would have to come to the Board. There was brief discussion on Jay Spurling's business being industrial and how that would affect it if College is zoned commercial. The Board agreed that something could be figured out for Jay's business.

Trustee McCue and Clerk Hart agreed to write up some zoning drafts for the Board to review at the next work session. The Board agreed to have a zoning work session on March 24 at 7:00pm.

Pet Overpopulation Fund Clerk Hart said that the Town had received a letter from Eastern Colorado Veterinary services asking if the Town would sponsor the co-pay for the spay/neuter program. In the past the Town has capped the sponsorship at \$200. The way it works is if an Arriba Resident falls within the income bracket they can have their animal spayed/neutered for the cost of the co-pay (\$15) which the Town would sponsor. Trustee Rush moved to sponsor the Pet Overpopulation Fund co-pay for local participants and to cap it at \$200. Trustee Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Fuel Trailer Clerk Hart said that the Board had told Mike to offer \$250 for Jason Rand's fuel trailer that he wanted \$500 for. Clerk Hart said Mike ended up paying \$500 for it. The Board agreed that they would discuss this at the next meeting with Mike. There was discussion on why the Town needed a fuel trailer since DJ Petro had the fuel pumps open again. Clerk Hart explained that the Town doesn't have a credit or debit card so Mike is having to use his personal card and get reimbursed. The other option is to have Flagler Coop deliver fuel, or to haul the fuel trailer to Flagler and charge fuel at the Flagler Coop. There was discussion on the Town getting a credit or debit card or a pre-paid card. Clerk Hart said the Town had looked into debit and credit cards several years ago and was unable to get one. She said she would look into it again.

Water Rate Increase The Board agreed to re-visit this in 6 months.

Maintenance Report Mike Becker had to leave the meeting early so there was no report from him.

Clerks Report Clerk Hart said the Town's website will be switched over to the new platform at the end of this month.

Clerk Hart reported that the furnace in the park building quit working over the weekend and Kayle Amen and Harvey Dumcum fixed it. Kayle Amen said the heat exchange cracked and they welded it back together. Clerk Hart said Beverly Langley put a carbon monoxide detector in the park building right away.

The Board agreed the Town should buy a new furnace for the park building. Trustee Rush said to call Jason Smith or Plains Heating.

Clerk Hart said that Mike is going to withdraw all of his retirement money from the Town's account and start his own IRA.

Clerk Hart said the town pickup ended up costing \$1,488, the clutch was replaced, filters were replaced, and general maintenance was done.

Clerk Hart said that Courtney Dean officially moved to Hugo last week and said that she would send an email stating she was resigning from the Board.

Clerk Hart said the Dog vaccination clinic is scheduled for June 1st.

Clerk Hart said that Mike Luft wants to know what he would be charged if he connected a sewer hookup to his house line for a camper while they remodel their house. The Board agreed that if he wasn't digging a new tap and he's not renting the camper out and making a profit then he shouldn't be charged extra.

Clerk Hart said regarding her continued education the classes will be held in July and tuition, meals, and hotel would cost about \$1,000. The Board agreed that if she wanted to do it then to go for it.

Clerk Hart said that Jerry Sauer with Prosper Farms has not gotten back to her about the land around the wastewater facility. She asked if she should continue to talk to Prosper Farms about purchasing land for the wastewater facility. The Board agreed that she should.

Treasurers Report none.

Trustees Report Trustee Rush said he should probably turn the gas off at the park building. He also said that the 811 Call Before You Dig has passed new laws and people can be fined if they don't call for locates before they dig.

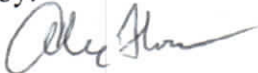
LCEDC Report Trustee McCue's did not have a written report. He said he really needed an Arriba representative to sit on the LCEDC Board. Mayor Flores said he would be interested in representing Arriba.

Mayors Report Mayor Flores had nothing to report, he apologized for not making the last couple of meetings.

Adjournment Trustee Rush moved to adjourn the meeting, Trustee McCue seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Flores adjourned the meeting at 9:33pm.

Submitted by: Josie Hart, Arriba Town Clerk

Signed by:



Mayor Alex Flores

Approved by the Board on:

Town of Arriba
Board of Trustees
Public Hearing
7:15pm
and
Regular Meeting
Monday, February 10, 2020
7:45pm

Sign In Sheet

Deb Braks

Alice Ascaralt

Maria Nunez

J. V. Spurling
Kayla Men



Lincoln Community Hospital

February 2020

Coronavirus vs Flu : Why has there been wide spread media panic about the Coronavirus in the first month of 2020 when the common flu kills 60x more people? We at Lincoln Health aren't sure either. Here are some facts for you regarding both viruses.

To date, there have been 11 confirmed cases of this new coronavirus in the United States, and 0 confirmed in Colorado. In contrast, there have been at least 15-million flu illnesses reported in the United States since the start of flu season in October 2019.

As with other respiratory viruses, we recommend people protect themselves and others by practicing everyday actions:

- Clean hands frequently with soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub.
- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing.
- Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Get an annual flu vaccine if you have not had one.

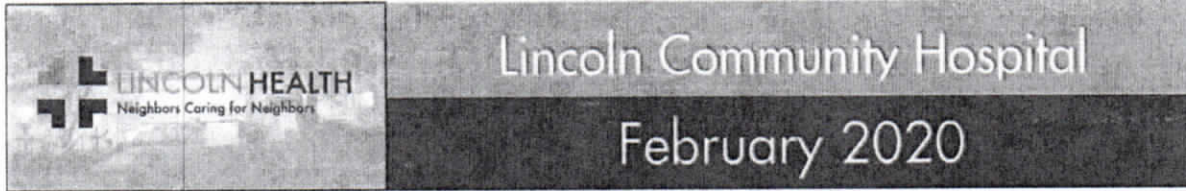
It's not too late to get your flu vaccine, and if you do think you may have the flu- schedule an appointment ASAP- telling the receptionist when you call you believe you may have the flu- we can help!

Almost all (>99%) of the influenza viruses tested this season are susceptible to the four FDA-approved influenza antiviral medications recommended for use in the U.S. this season.

Cardiology: February is National Heart Health Month so this month we proudly highlight our Cardiologists; Doctors John M Ord, MD and Sundeep Viswanathan, MD, both from Aurora Denver Cardiology Associates, as members of our Specialty Clinic team.

John Ord, MD, FACC is a board-certified interventional cardiologist who performs cardiac catheterization, coronary stent placement and rotational atherectomy. He has special interests in transesophageal echocardiography (TEE). After completing his cardiology training and education in his fellowship at Washington University in 1992, he began practicing with the Denver practice and has been a major contributor to the expansion and scope of services offered to heart patients.

Dr. Sundeep Viswanathan prides himself on compassionate personalized, evidence-based cardiac care. He received his training at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Washington University at St. Louis/Barnes Jewish Hospital and Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. He is board certified in cardiology, internal medicine, and specializes in advanced imaging, including echocardiography, nuclear cardiology, cardiac CT and vascular ultrasound. He also has a strong interest in preventative cardiology and has helped to start the calcium scanning program at The Medical Center of Aurora. (source: <https://adcacardiology.com/>)



Dr. Ord visits the Hugo Specialty Clinic the fourth Tuesday of every month. Dr. Viswanathan visits the Hugo Specialty Clinic the first Monday of every month.

Peak Health Alliance:

Citizens and leaders of Summit County, Colorado recognized a problem. Just like the residents of Lincoln County and the Eastern Plains, insurance premiums are much higher - 30-80% higher than in Denver. While our cost model at Lincoln Health is in the bottom 10% in the state, insurance premiums are the highest in our region. In Summit County, that leaves twice as many of their residents uninsured as the state average, less able to access cost savings available through the Colorado state-based marketplace, Connect for Health Colorado, and spending nearly 40% of total income on healthcare expenses alone. Our numbers are similar. Summit County devised a solution that is worth a look to see if it will work for the residents of the Eastern Plains.

With support from the community, a group of leaders established the Peak Health Alliance to try to address insurance costs. Peak's mission is to create incentive for care to be provided locally while also reducing health insurance premiums. This alliance will be structured as a cooperative, which means that the businesses and individuals who buy their coverage through it will have a say in how it is managed. The way it will work sounds simple; Peak will negotiate directly with providers and hospitals for lower and more transparent prices. Then, insurance companies will be invited to compete for the opportunity to cover all Peak members. Peak will require the insurers to propose premiums based on a defined set of benefit designs and Peak's lower negotiated provider prices - guaranteeing an "apples-to-apples" comparison.

Emergency Staffing Solutions: ESS-

As announced in December, we transitioned from Docs Who Care to the physicians of ESS- this change took place February 1, 2020.

The skilled physicians of ESS will be providing care for both our Emergency Department as well as inpatient services. Patients should be advised that if they visit our Emergency Room or stay in the hospital for inpatient care, they will be receiving a separate bill from ESS. These changes are imperative for allowing our primary care providers who formally made rounds in the hospital to see patients in the clinic.