

**TOWN OF ARRIBA**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**Tuesday, August 12, 2025**  
**Arriba Town Hall, 711 Front Street, Arriba, CO 80804**

**Call to Order** Mayor Marilyn Lightsey called the meeting to order at 6:00. Trustees in attendance included Ben VanderWerf, Carolyn Steinsiek, Troy McCue, and Siobhan Steinsiek. Ashlee Smithburg and Bob Rush were absent. Employees in attendance included Josie Hart, and Mike Becker.

**Public Audience** David Ruiz.

**Hospital Update** Erika Saffer gave a report on the Hugo Hospital. She noted the effects of the Federal Medicaid cuts and what it means for rural hospitals. She discussed the new billing system and billing statements that the hospital is now using.

**Approval of Agenda** Ordinance Enforcement was added to the Agenda under Unfinished Business. Trustee Carolyn Steinsiek moved to approve the Agenda as amended, Trustee McCue seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes** Trustee McCue moved to approve the minutes of the July 15 regular meeting. Trustee VanderWerf seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Accounts Receivable and Payable**

Trustee McCue moved to approve the receivables and payables for July. Trustee Carolyn Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Bills** Trustee McCue moved to approve the August bills for payment. Trustee Siobhan Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Wastewater Permit Regulations** Clerk Hart said that Jess Solze has started jetting and videoing the sewer lines. Clerk Hart said that her understanding is that this is included in the contract with GMS since it is part of the permit regulations. The Town will need to pay Jess Solze's company around \$6,000 from Town funds as this is what has been budgeted for the regular annual cleaning of the lines.

**Time Capsule Opening 07/04/2026** Clerk Hart had nothing new on this.

The Board agreed to not have a firework show, to have a noon event, Trustee Steinsiek requested that there be snow cones. There was more discussion on having another time capsule put in.

**Zoning – Master Plan** Trustee VanderWerf said that he may have found someone that will help the town write a masterplan for around \$1600. The Board agreed that hiring someone at a low cost to help was a great idea.

**No Man's Land Sign** The Board agreed that the best place for the sign is near the coffee shop. Trustee McCue will draw a map of the new location once it's moved.

**Trash Service with Town of Flagler** The Board discussed the pros and cons of this. No decisions were made. The Board agreed to wait and see what the Town of Flagler proposes.

**Ordinance Enforcement** The Board discussed the issues of enforcing ordinances and agreed that the process to enforce ordinances needs to be started and go as far as possible. There was discussion and ideas about getting properties cleaned up in town. Clerk Hart said that the Town can hire someone to clean properties and put those expenses as a lien on the property. The Board agreed that she should look into this for the Littlehorn property.

**Maintenance Report** Mike Becker said he'd like to thank Bob Rush and the 2 kids from Flagler that helped with finding and mapping the sewer manholes.

Mike reported that there are issues with the wastewater aerator motor and a new one needs to be ordered. The cost is estimated at \$5,000.

Mike said he is going to try to haul off one load a month from the tree pile in hopes of getting things cleaned up out there.

**Clerks Report** none.

**Treasurer's Report** good.

**Trustees Report** none.

**LCEDC Report** Trustee McCue gave his report.

**Mayor's Report** None.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Lightsey adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.

Submitted by: Josie Hart, Arriba Town Clerk

Signed by: Mayor Marilyn Lightsey

**Approved by the Board on: 09/09/2025**