

**TOWN OF ARRIBA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Monday, January 8, 2024
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 Marie Daniel, Siobhan Steinsiek, and Alex Flores. Troy McCue joined via zoom. Bob Rush and Ashlee Smithburg were absent.
Employee in attendance included Mike Becker and Josie Hart.

Public Audience JD Harmon.

Hospital Update None.

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

Approval of Minutes

Trustee Daniel moved to approve the minutes from the December 11 public hearing and regular meeting as written. Trustee Steinsiek seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Accounts Receivable and Payable

Trustee Steinsiek said that she had lost her trustee paycheck. Clerk Hart said she would cancel the check and reissue her a new one.

Trustee Flores moved to approve the receivables and payables for December. Trustee Steinsiek seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Bills

Trustee Flores moved to approve the January bills for payment. Trustee Daniel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Town Sales Tax Resolution Clerk Hart explained that Resolution No. 2024-1 sets the ballot language for the sales tax question.

Trustee McCue moved to adopt the resolution stating the ballot language for the sales tax question. Trustee Daniel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Zoning Nothing new.

Water Vault Mike Becker reported that the State wants the town wells tested. He's working with Richard Hopp to get this done.

Posting Places Resolution Resolution 2024-2 state that the Town's posting places will be Town Hall door, Arriba Post Office bulletin board, and the Town of Arriba's website.

Trustee Flores moved to adopt the resolution. Trustee Daniel seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Water Line Inventory for State Clerk Hart said that all water lines in town, even the water lines owned by the customer/property owner, will need to be inventoried and submitted to the State by October 2024.

Maintenance Report Mike Becker said that the water vault flooded again. He said the chlorine is just so corrosive everything breaks down.

Mike commented on the fire that happened next door to Townhall saying that the volunteers in the Northeast Lincoln Fire Protection District do a great job.

Clerks Report Clerk Hart said that nomination petitions are available on the Town's website. They are due back by January 22nd.

Treasurer's Report looked good.

Trustees Report Trustee Steinsiek said that there were about 20 people at the Town's Christmas event in the park. She said there were about 5 little kids. She said that a few people were disappointed there was no Santa Claus, no peanuts, and no turkeys.

LCEDC Report Troy McCue gave his report.

Mayor's Report Mayor Lightsey had nothing to report.

Adjournment Mayor Lightsey adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm.

Submitted by: Josie Hart, Arriba Town Clerk

Signed by:


Mayor Marilyn Lightsey

Approved by the Board on:

2-12-2024

**Town of Arriba
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting 6:00pm
Monday, January 8, 2024**

Sign In Sheet

JD Harmon

Lincoln County Economic Development Corporation
Executive Director Report
January 8, 2024

Work items of recent focus include:

1. Our **Grow With Google** classes have received great comments and survey results. Next week (Monday in Limon and Tuesday in Hugo) are going with Chapter 2 of making websites work with Google for small businesses.
2. **CHFA's Technical Assistance for Housing development** is working on their two plans, one for Lincoln Health in Hugo and one for the Karval Community. Soon we will have more shovel-ready housing plans.
3. **GrantCorps and CRC** continue to work with our organization for deploying VISTA members for greater grant writing capacity in the east-central plains region. We are set to hear back by the end of this month if the Opportunity Now grant for this has been funded.
4. Our **SBDC Outreach** continues with a possible new investment in the county for bulk fuel and fueling station (mom and pop) as well as continued work on eateries and small manufacturing.
5. Current **travel centers and fueling stations** on corporate level has picked up. One Brownfields (old commercial being repurposed) and one Greenfield project in the works. Love's is looking at east Limon (within town – Scoops and Coyote East area) and Maverick is looking outside of town just south of the far east overpass to Limon/Hugo.
6. I have been invited to sit in on an out-of-town **workforce panel** next week at the Equipment Manufacturers Association.
7. I served as a panelist on 12/13 with EDCC for **Business Retention and Expansion/Attraction** for an economic developer crowd of over 50 seeking education in this field. Was invited from CEcD certification status, and I must complete by continuing education credits by 9/30/2024 (12 activity credits and 1 ethics course. Should have at least half already completed)
8. Our **Annual Meeting** is tentatively set for Wednesday, April 17th, 2024, and we intend on having the Colorado Demography office as our keynote program at the Fairgrounds, 6 p.m.
9. **Denny's** building has been purchased by Jose Cardenas and will soon be a new Mexican food restaurant, patterned after restaurants in Haxtun and Wray.
10. Participated in **Genoa-Hugo School Design Session #2** virtually last month. Consultants are facilitating plans for more career pathways for high and middle schoolers.
11. Been observer and guest board member on **Friends of Genoa Tower** group and have been keeping track of their annexation and planning process. Spectrum begins restorative construction later this month.
12. We received ten applications for the **Business Preservation** grant applications to Limon-area businesses in cooperation with Downtown Limon with a projected grant deadline of 01/19/2024. Intend to narrow focus to 4 or so businesses.
13. **Pinbowl Alley** in Limon opened 11/29 with refurbished bowling lanes, pinball and arcade machines and food offerings. They have been quite busy!
14. I have been consulting with County Extension for desired improvements to **Shooting Range** at south edge of Limon. GOCO was first contacted, but now CPW are the chosen agency for discussion of funding. We renewed our **Colorado Grants Guide** subscription (\$249). If any other groups want to access the guide, we will share login information.