

TOWN OF RYE RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Mickey Smith called the special meeting to order at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 29, 2018

PUBLIC MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Rye, County of Pueblo, Colorado met at the Rye Town Hall on Saturday, September 29, 2018. At 10:00 am Mayor Smith called this special meeting to order. The following were present: Mayor: Mickey Smith; Trustee: Marty Rahl, and Clerk: Sherri Beach.

Absent: Trustees: Sonny Jackson and Sam Serracino

Others: Pam Hair, Greenhorn Valley View; Jess Ringo, Spectrum Plumbing; Gene Beierle; Sandra Pulcinella; and Jeff Turner.

This special meeting was called in response to resident, Sandra Pulcinella's written request to discuss residents being contacted by the Pueblo County Health Department last week. They were informed that their sewer line had issues and was in need of replacement/repair. They were given 20 days in which to correct the problem.

Jess Ringo of Spectrum Plumbing explained that he had a video that showed where the problem portion of the sewer line in question is approximately four to five feet from Oak Street. It appears that the line west of that point is in good working condition. Jess stated that the area of trouble shows dirt that has caved in, and he suspects that portion of the pipe will need to be replaced. He said that he is unable to know if it will be a small piece or an entire section that will need replacement until he is able to uncover it to see the source and length of damage.

Jeff Turner and Sandra Pulcinella spoke of the expenses they have encountered because of this ongoing sewer line problem. Jeff has hired Roto Rooter to come and clear the sewer that had been backing up into his basement. He said that he had put a cap in his basement so that sewer could not continue to build up there. He also said he had inspected the area outside to determine the source of the problem. Both individuals expressed concern about having to pay 1/3 the cost of the last Roto Rooter visit. They are concerned about the possibility of having to come up with large sums of money up front to correct the line. To assist the residents with the upfront cost, the possibility of the Town paying for the repair and billing the customers equally was discussed. It was noted that they could make payments towards the expense without putting themselves in a financial hardship. This suggestion will need to be discussed at the next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting on October 10, 2018 and voted on before an answer can be given. In addition, the residents expressed their concern about having to complete the correction of the issue within 20 days, per the Pueblo County Health Department.


After much discussion about the whereabouts of this sewer line, Mickey Smith suggested that everyone take a walk to look at the actual property. Everyone agreed, and we went to the site. We did observe exactly where the line in question lays. Gene Beierle noted that he had seen a map in the Town Hall that shows a main sewer line that goes between the Turner and Pulcinella property and services the apartments on Petersen. He asked if there was a possibility of the three residents tying into that main.

After returning to the Town Hall, everyone looked at the map that Mr. Beierle mentioned, and it appears that this may be a good and less costly solution to the problem. Jess of Spectrum Plumbing suggested that we hire Roto Rooter to come and do a depth, length and video of the main sewer line that runs between the properties and ties into the apartments. Upon the Roto Rooter findings, we will be able to make a decision about the quickest and most economical way to correct this sewer issue. If the main line that services the residents of the apartments is the best solution, the smaller line that is in need of replacement/repair would be capped and put out of service.

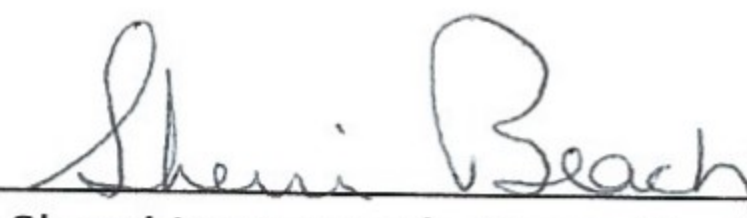
It was agreed that Sherri Beach, Town Clerk, would write a letter to the Pueblo County Health Department explaining that we are working with our residents and request additional time to resolve the issue. She will also call Roto Rooter and schedule a time for them to come and measure the depth, length and video the main that runs between the properties and services the apartment residents on Monday.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am. No motion or second was required, as there was not a quorum.

Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.



Mickey Smith, Mayor



Sherri Lynn Beach, Town Clerk