

TOWN OF RYE
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
April 13, 2022

Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor, Marty Rahl called the Work Session to order at 4:07 p.m. at the Town Hall at 2067 Main Street in Rye, Colorado to discuss Effective Utility Management. Those in attendance were as follows: Marty Rahl, Mayor; Sheila Henderson, Mayor Protem; Patrick Ryan, Trustee; Larry Sisk, Trustee; Sandra Steel, Trustee; Jocelyn Mower, Clerk; Greg Colter, Colorado Rural Water and Scott Thomas, Colorado Rural Water. Those absent were: Markus Buck, Trustee; Levi Bernal, Trustee; Gib Rokich, Water Operator; Madison Rokich, Water Operator; Richard Hopp, Operator in Responsible Charge.

The Board, Mr. Colter and Mr. Thomas reviewed the EUM agenda and worksheets, provided by Mr. Colter, to prioritize water and sewer maintenance.

Regular Meeting

Mayor, Marty Rahl called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:57 p.m. Those in attendance were as follows: Marty Rahl, Mayor; Sheila Henderson, Mayor Protem; Patrick Ryan, Trustee; Larry Sisk, Trustee; Sandra Steel, Trustee; Jocelyn Mower, Clerk; Misty Sprague, Valley- First; Jason Willis, property owner; Lisa Willis, property owner; Kevin Nagl, contractor. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Audience Participation

Misty Sprague addressed the Board regarding the new non-profit organization Valley-First. She explained the non-profit structure and the focus on improving and establishing community facilities. Valley-First will be holding their first event called "Swing into Spring" on May 14, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at the Greenhorn Valley Park. They will have kickball and cornhole tournaments, vendors and more at the event to raise money towards their projects. To learn more about Valley-First or signup to participate as a vendor or the tournaments at the "Swing into Spring" event you can visit their website www.valley-first.org or their Facebook page www.facebook.com/valley1st.

Jason Willis addressed the Board regarding the water and sewer rate increase that became effective January 2022. Mr. Willis also inquired about Resolution 2003-1. Mayor Rahl stated that she will respond to his questions in writing.

Lysa Willis addressed the Board regarding the water and sewer rate increase that became effective January 2022 and requested for a subsidy on her property utility billing account. Mrs. Willis also stated that she had brainstormed a list of ideas that may help to bring revenue to the Town. The board asked Mrs. Willis to send her list to the Clerk or bring it to the next Regular Board Meeting for review. Mayor Rahl stated that her request will be answered in writing.

Kevin Nagl addressed the Board regarding water allocation. He also proposed a possible "Barn Raising" to raise money for sidewalks along Main Street in the Town. Mr. Nagl requested specifications of the sidewalks and the Board instructed Jocelyn Mower to provide the requested information to him as soon as possible.

Consent Agenda Items

- Sheila Henderson made a motion that the Minutes of the March 9, 2022, Regular Board of Trustees Meeting be approved. Sandra Stelle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Sheila Henderson made a motion that the Minutes of the March 22, 2022, Executive Session Meeting be approved. Sandra Stelle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Water Treatment Plant Executive Report, provided by Richard Hopp, was presented to the Board with the information that was available.
- The Water and Sewer Monthly Meter Usage (Billing Register) was reviewed. Notes were written on the board packet copy so trustees could see concerns and explanations for unusual usage. Account #44 has a known leak that is causing higher than average usage.
- The Town of Rye Summary of Accounts (with information available), RVS Systems Totals Report and CCMD Sewer Flow Chart were reviewed. The Board discussed the water loss issues in the previous month and acknowledged the CCMD bill has decreased since last month as well.
- The Summary Aged Receivables were discussed. Past due accounts were called by Jocelyn Mower and reminded of their late due accounts. They were informed of the past due balance as well as the current due balance.
- Sheila Henderson made a motion that the Accounts Payable/Transfer of Funds from appropriate accounts be paid and that the appropriate funds be transferred to the associated accounts. Patrick Ryan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- The Board reviewed the Profit & Loss and Balance Sheets.
- The Master Calendar was reviewed. Jocelyn Mower has updated the calendar to reflect the date and name of persons completing monthly items. Calendar items are up to date. Mayor Rahl instructed Jocelyn Mower to add annual pipe overflow cleaning along Park Rd. to the calendar. Sheila Henderson proposed that the Town start collecting sales tax from businesses within the Town of Rye to increase revenue.

Unfinished Business

The Board is waiting for a response from the Town attorney regarding information for the easement on the lagoon property. The Board asked Jocelyn Mower to follow up with the attorney.

Jocelyn Mower advised the Board of her findings regarding the requirements for participating in a Solar Farm or Solar Garden program. Unfortunately, the lagoon property owned by the Town does not meet the requirements needed to participate in any current program in Colorado but may be able to meet the requirements in the future if these programs expand their infrastructure and acreage demands.

The board discussed account #69 regarding Ordinance 2021-3 violations. The Board evaluated the extension that was given until May 1, 2022, to bring the property into compliance and that 16 days