

April 15, 2024

Present:

Mayor:

Larry Sitts

Trustees:

Vance Brian

Blaine Ice

Calvin Melcher

Bill Kissell

Rod Swisher

Casey Rushton

Johnnie Lyons

Austin Hazen

Holly Fire Chief

Rod Hazen

Business Owner

David Dougherty

Police Chief

Elsie Martin

Police Clerk for Granada

Patricia Pierce

Police Clerk for Holly

Brenda Crum

Potential Board Candidate

Randy Holland

Town Administrator

Cynthia S. Humrich

Town Clerk/Treasurer

Tracy Kirmer

Town Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

**Call to Order.** Mayor Sitts presided over the regular meeting of the Holly Board of Trustees on the above date at 7:00 p.m.

Roll was called. All present, gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Additions to the Agenda.** Add SantaFe Trailhouse LLC Liquor License to New Business under F).

**Minutes, March 6, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes.** Trustee Swisher motioned to approve the March 6, 2024, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Trustee Melcher. Motion carried 6-0.

**Approval of Current Bills subject to final approval of the Finance Committee meeting on Friday, April 12, 2024.** Clerk Humrich requested to make a statement change to; "Approval of the Current Bills as approved by the Finance Committee on Friday, April 12". The agenda was put together prior to the board meeting date being changed from April 10<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Swisher motioned to approve the current bills as approved by the finance committee on Friday, April 12, 2024. Seconded by Trustee Brian. Motion carried 6-0.

**Oath of Office Administered.** By Clerk Humrich to re-elected Mayor, Larry Sitts, oath was taken; to re-elected Trustee Blaine Ice, oath was taken; and to newly elected Johnnie Lyons, oath was taken.

**Break.** A five-minute break was taken to thank the Trustees who were leaving from service.

**Call to Order and Roll Call.** At 7:10 p.m. Mayor Sitts presided over the remainder of the meeting.

Roll was called. All present.

**Board of Trustee Appointments, Mayor ProTem** – Motion to elect Blaine Ice as the new Mayor ProTem by Johnnie Lyons. Second by Trustee Melcher. Motion carried 5-0. Administered the Oath of Office by Clerk Humrich to Blaine Ice, oath was taken. **Finance Committee** – Motion to keep Trustee Ice and to add Trustee Swisher as the new finance committee member was made by Trustee Lyons. Seconded by Trustee Melcher. Motion carried 5-0.

**Notices and Communications.** None

**Public Appearances.** None

**Reports, Police Report.** Chief Dougherty presented to the Board his March police report. They had 97 calls of service, 15 warnings and 31 citations for the month. The officers worked a total of 205 hours, and they are going to have to limit the number of hours per month as the JAG grant only allows for a specified number of payable hours. There were four animal complaints per the log report, and forty people contacted the police department from the Holly area. Chief Dougherty asked the Board to consider adopting the same ordinances as Granada to make it easier for the officers to follow; this will be considered. Discussion continued with regard to the stop signs meeting legal height, and ATV usage in the town limits of Holly; these are being investigated. **Administrator Report.** Administrator Holland began by discussing the voltage regulators are

up, the town has been trimming trees, and they are fixing water breaks that are occurring since the weather has warmed up. The administrator met with Mountain States on the water and electrical meter system; no report has come back from them as of yet. The parks have been fertilized and the sprinklers are running. Holly School will allow Buffalo Street to be reopened which will take place this summer. The Town has started working on the pool readiness, the ramps at Gateway Park are completed as well as the entrance at the Community Building has been repaired. The ballfield lights still need to have the wires connected and some adjustments made. They are still working on the lead and copper survey that is due October of 2024 and we have received the airport permit on the stormwater discharge with CDPHE (Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment). **Clerk/Treasurer's Report.** February financials were presented along with viewing all current account balances, no questions were asked. The Clerk/Treasurer presented the police/court and budgeting status reports for March. The Clerk updated the Board with the status of the USDA financial requests, which we will not know anymore until July of 2024. The newly revised scope for the Holly Community Building has been approved and we have until November of 2025 to have this phase completed. I did receive the CML (Colorado Municipal League) scholarship to attend the June Conference which will save the Town approximately \$860.00. Regarding the airport insurance, we went with Old Republic Insurance and the same coverage limits the Town has always had. I briefed the Board on the backfill status from the property tax which so far appears that we will lose 4 to 5% of the revenue. Discussion continued with CIRSA's board training for re-elected and newly elected officials which will take place within the week, and that the insurance company's deductibles will be going up across the State. Lastly, we discussed the new pool tarp being here and the shipping issue. **Library Report.** There were 117 patrons, with 102 checkouts and 7 computer usages. Trustee Melcher motioned to approve the reports as given. Seconded by Trustee Ice. Motion carried 5-0.

**Old or Unfinished Business.** None

**New Business. Resolution 2024-3 – A Resolution to accept and approve the Official April 2, 2024 canvassed election results and implement the 1% sales tax increase to begin January 1, 2025 for the purpose of public safety.** Trustee Ice motioned to accept and approve Resolution 2024-3 the Official April 2, 2024 election results and implement the 1% sales tax increase to begin January 1, 2025, for the purpose of public safety. Seconded by Trustee Lyons. Motion carried 5-0. **Notice of Vacant Trustee Seat.** Declared to be a vacant seat on the Board of Trustees for the Town of Holly after the Official April 2024 election results approved by Mayor Sitts. **Resolution 2024-4 – A Resolution opposing the entry, transportation, employment, settlement and support of undocumented illegal and/or undocumented immigrants in the Town of Holly, Colorado.** Trustee Swisher motioned to accept and approve Resolution 2024-4 to make the Town of Holly a Non-Sanctuary Town. Second by Trustee Melcher. Motion carried 5-0. **Pricing of Lots.** Motion by Trustee Melcher for pricing of east lots to be at a minimum price of \$4275 per lot. Seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 5-0. **Airport Runway Improvements.** Administrator Holland presented Syracuse Dairy's request to use the airport for crop spraying. They would like to make improvements to the runway which would include a turnaround at each end, and this will extend the runway. Larry Smith, our representative, stated that they will pay for all improvements. Discussion ensued with the outcome that there be more information gathered and the advice from the attorney be presented to the Board. **SantaFe Trailhouse LLC New Liquor License.** Motion was made by Trustee Ice for the SantaFe Trailhouse LLC Liquor License to proceed. Second by Trustee Melcher. Motion carried 5-0.

**Miscellaneous.** None.

**Adjournment.** Trustee Swisher motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Kissell. Motion carried 5-0 at 8:21 p.m.

/s/ Larry Sitts, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Cynthia S. Humrich, Clerk/Treasurer