

**April 1, 2020  
Teleconference**

Present:	Mayor:	Calvin Melcher
	Trustees:	Rod Swisher
		Anthony Moldenhauer
		Larry Sitts
		Corey Stephens
Michael Tanner	Town Administrator	
Megan Jara	Town Clerk/Treasurer	

Mayor Calvin Melcher presided over the regular meeting of the Holly Board of Trustees on the above date at 7:00 p.m., by teleconference with public's option to call-in to partake in the meeting. Roll was called. Trustees Jacob Holdren and Joshua Reinert were absent. Public introductions: Russ Baldwin – Reporter for the Prowers Journal, Austin Hazen – Big H, Brad Simon – Gateway Products. All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Additions to the Agenda.** New Business: C) Martin & Woods Invoice, D) Reconsideration of Garbage Rates.

**Minutes, March 4, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and March 26, 2020 Special Board Meeting**

**Minutes.** Trustee Moldenhauer motioned to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2020 Regular Board Meeting and March 26, 2020 Special Board Meeting. Seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 4-0.

**Approval of Current Bills.** Trustee Stephens motioned to approve current bills subject to review of the Finance Committee on April 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. Seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 4-0.

**Notices and Communications.** None.

**Reports.** **Police Commissioner Report.** Report was available for review. **Crew Report.** Report was provided in the board packet and no further discussion was made. The report contained the following: Wires hung on the park loop and lowered transformer at 129 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Lamar will be needed to help tie it in. First quarter radium water sample completed. Klotz Electric rewired the chlorine pump to run only while well is pumping and crew changed all fittings to stainless steel. Water on at Ball Field, showerheads replaced in restrooms. Updated water map for Element engineers and mailed. Emptied pool sand filter and prepped for filter delivery. Parks were de-thatched. Dumpster removal as Plains Disposal delivered new ones. Spring cleaning and re-organizing Shop and Light Plant. **Administrator Report.** Most of the time was spent on landfill rates issues and working with Kelby on invoicing and billing setup. Issues with the East Well blowing connectors, they have all since been replaced with stainless steel connectors and it has been operating for seven days with no problems. Three water samples were pulled at the landfill and will be sent to ACZ Laboratory. Quotes for a pole barn 40X80 have been requested from three companies. Received quote regarding lift station for vacant lot east of Town nearing \$4,700.00. **Clerk/Treasurer's Report.** February financials were provided in the board packet. **Library Report.** Report was provided in the board packet and no further discussion was made. The report contained the following: Approval for Cassandra Heck as Librarian, Bonnie Neill as Assistant Librarian and Alice Clark appointed to the Library Board. Trustee Moldenhauer motioned to approve all reports as given. Trustee Stephens seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

**Old or Unfinished Business.** None.

**New Business. Approve Library Hire.** Approval was included in the Library Report. **Resolution 2020-4 – A Resolution Declaring a Local Disaster Emergency in and for the Town of Holly, Colorado.** Trustee Stephens motioned to approve Resolution 2020-4 declaring a local disaster emergency in and for the Town of Holly, in regards to the national pandemic of coronavirus. Trustee Sitts seconded. Motion carried 4-0. **Martin & Woods Invoice \$2,723.00.** Trustee Stephens motioned to approve the \$2,723.00 invoice pending follow up of \$1000.00 retainer paid prior to any work. Trustee Moldenhauer seconded. Motion carried 4-0. **Reconsideration of Garbage Rates.** Mayor Melcher opened the topic to Public Comment. Brad Simon represented Gateway Products as well as concerns of Reyman’s Grocery, and Holly School. The new rates will increase their costs up to \$600-\$800 per month. The businesses understand that they have been undercharged for some time and recognize that rates do have to be raised. However, they feel this is an excessive increase and have not been able to properly budget for it. Any relief to the expense would help the businesses; a high percentage of their waste is cardboard. The cardboard recycling has been explored briefly, beginning with requesting quotes for a building to house the cardboard bailer and the price of a bailer. Discussion was held regarding a proposal to waive tipping fees temporarily, and implement rate increases once the long-term landfill location is determined. Numbers were not available to see the impact to either customers or the Town. No motion was made. The consensus of the Board was for the Town of Holly to help the businesses by picking their trash up for a few more days so they can work with Plains Disposal.

**Adjournment.** Trustee Stephens motioned to adjourn at 8:23 p.m.

/s/ Calvin J. Melcher, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Megan Jara, Clerk/Treasurer