

January 8, 2020

Present:

Mayor:  
Trustees:

Calvin Melcher  
Rod Swisher  
Jacob Holdren  
Anthony Moldenhauer  
Larry Sitts  
Corey Stephens  
Joshua Reinert

Michael Tanner      Town Administrator  
Elaine Anderson    Librarian  
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. Roll was called. All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Additions to the Agenda.** None.

**Minutes, December 4, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. Seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 6-0.

**Approval of Current Bills.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve current bills subject to review of the Finance Committee on January 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. Seconded by Trustee Stephens. Motion carried 6-0.

**Notices and Communications.** Thank you card from the Town of Holly Employees in appreciation of the 2020 wage increase.

**Public Appearances.** Donnie Seufer stated his concerns about the changes in electric rates as he would need to reconsider his planting due his multiple Town of Holly utility accounts. Jerry Adams indicated having six accounts and feels Holly already has the highest electrical cost. Marsha Willhite explained the intent to modify rates in the past and feels the need continues.

**Reports. Police Commissioner Report.** Report was available for review. **Crew Report.** Crew report available for review included: Lamar is needed to help complete switches in North Substation, poles have been set and ready to string wire, bumps on line to Seufer well, need to budget for more line indicators, began removing poles and wire off old cell at Landfill, patched holes in streets around Town, water main break at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Santa Fe. Fixed water leaks in pits at: 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Park Street, 301 E. Park Street, and 326 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Lamar was called in to jet sewer behind Reyman's. **Administrator Report.** The North Substation project is projected for March or April depending up on delivery of supplies and scheduling with Lamar. The need to purchase additional supplies: seven switches and six re-closures expected to take six to eight week to receive.

Trustee Moldenhauer motioned to approve purchase of the needed switches and re-closures for the North Substation project estimated to cost \$22,000 for the items. Seconded by Trustee Holdren. Motion carried 6-0.

**Clerk/Treasurer's Report.** November's financials were reviewed with the Board. **Library Report.** Librarian, Elaine Anderson provided a written Library Report. Trustee Holdren motioned to approve all reports as given. Trustee Moldenhauer seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

**2020 Electric Rates Public Hearing.** Mayor Melcher called for recess of the Regular Meeting. Trustee Stephens motioned to open the Public Hearing for any public comment regarding the proposed 2020 Electric Rate Ordinance No. 530 at 7:57 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 6-0. Examples of bills and a spreadsheet were reviewed on the projector, showing an increase to small user

customers and irrigation customers, and a savings for high user customers due to elimination of the ECA. Recommendations from the rate study were to eliminate the ECA due to lack of an expiration of the fee and no identifying reason to collect for. Normally an ECA is collected to recover expenses due to an infrastructure damaging event and a known amount is to be collected from the fee, therefore the fee expires once the amount is collected. Trustee Stephens motioned to adjourn the Public Hearing at 8:16 p.m., seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 6-0.

**Old or Unfinished Business. Ordinance No. 530 – An Ordinance Adjusting Rates and Tariffs for Electrical Energy Services Rendered by the Town of Holly Electrical Department (second reading).** Trustee Holdren motioned to adopt Ordinance No 530 adjusting rates and tariffs for Electrical Energy Services. Second by Trustee Stephens. Roll call vote: Trustees Holdren, Stephens, and Reinert in favor; Trustee Swisher, Moldenhauer, Sitts opposed. Mayor Melcher broke the tie opposing the motion. Motion 3-4, failed.

**New Business. Garbage Collection Service Bids.** Trustee Holdren motioned to reject all bids. Seconded by Trustee Reinert. Motion carried 6-0. Trustee Swisher motioned to re-bid garbage collection service due to new parameters. Seconded by Trustee Reinert. Motion carried 6-0. **Landfill Inspection Report.** Violations are being corrected. Crew is moving poles and wire off of old cell at the landfill and pictures of compliance will be provided to Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE). Results of a conference call with CDPHE were as follows: enforcement of violations regarding financial assurance and groundwater monitoring program will be delayed contingent upon advancement in closing the landfill, and Town of Holly shall provide monthly updates to CDPHE on the progress made regarding the contracting of garbage pickup or development of the transfer station. **Riding Mower- Open for Bid.** Mower specifications were provided in the board packet. Trustee Moldenhauer motioned to open advertisement for riding mower bids. Seconded by Trustee Swisher. Motion carried 6-0. **Resolution 2020-1 - A Resolution of the Town of Holly, Colorado Designating the Official Public Notice Location and the Official Newspaper of General Circulation.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve Resolution 2020-1 designating the Official Public Notice Location and Official Newspaper of General Circulation. Seconded by Trustee Stephens. Motion carried 6-0. **Appointments: Town Attorney- Phil Malouff, Municipal Judge- Kim Verhoeff, Town Marshall- Sheriff Zordel, Finance Committee- Calvin Melcher, Corey Stephens, Jacob Holdren.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve the appointments as listed. Seconded by Trustee Stephens. Motion carried 6-0.

**Miscellaneous.** Board directed Administrator Tanner to represent Holly on the Southeast Colorado Enterprise Development, Inc. (SECED) and Prowers Economic Prosperity (PEP).

**Adjournment.** Trustee Holdren motioned to adjourn at 9:03 p.m.

/s/ Calvin J. Melcher, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Megan Jara, Clerk/Treasurer