

July 19, 2017

Present:

Mayor:  
Trustees:

Tony Garcia  
Corey Stephens  
Joshua Reinert  
Larry Sitts  
Johnnie Lyons  
Jacob Holdren

Amanda Brown                      Town Auditor  
Eric Depperschmidt              PEP Executive Director  
Tammy Neises                      Holly Resident  
Temple Rushton                  Holly Resident  
Megan Jara                          Town Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Tony Garcia presided over the regular meeting of the Holly Board of Trustees on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Roll was called. Trustees Anthony Moldenhauer and Johnnie Lyons were absent. All present gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Additions to the Agenda.** New Business C) Resolution 2017-2. D) Application for Animal/ Fowl Permit. E) Holly Gateway Classic- Car Show, Event Details. Trustee Johnnie Lyons present at 7:01p.m.

**Minutes, June 7, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes and June 14, 2017 Special Board Meeting Minutes.** Trustee Stephens motioned to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2017 Regular Board Meeting and June 14, 2017 Special Board Meeting. Trustee Sitts seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**Approval of Current Bills.** Trustee Stephens motioned to approve current bills presented for review to the Finance Committee on July 17, 2017 at 8:30 a.m., and Trustee Reinert seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**2016 Audit Report and Review of Financial Statements- Amanda Brown, Auditor.** Amanda L. Brown, Auditor presented the 2016 Audited Financial Statements to the Board. A clean opinion was presented regarding the 2016 financial statements which detailed the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Holly. Brown commented the updated landfill closure cost estimates are included in the liabilities.

**Notices and Communications.** None.

**Public Appearances.** Holly resident, Temple Rushton addressed the Board regarding the excessive speed occurring near his residence at 1104 West Colorado Street. The speed limit sign is 55 mph, Rushton suggested reducing the limit to 40 mph, moving the 55 mph limit farther west, or adding additional signage. Rushton's comments expressed the following hazards: children around the ball field area, deer crossing, and slow moving equipment in and out of the two rural businesses. To prevent an accident Rushton feels it necessary to alter the existing signs. Mayor Garcia agreed to request more Sheriff patrol of this area.

Prowers Economic Prosperity (PEP) Executive Director, Eric Depperschmidt presented a Rural Jump Start Zone Program implemented by the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade (OEDIT) in conjunction with other government entities. The program is a tax relief program for new businesses and new hires who locate to certain designated jump start zones. Depperschmidt addressed the Board explaining the program is used for job creation, focusing on rural communities and opening positions with wages above minimum wage. To participate in the program, the County and towns are required to adopt a resolution to offer local and state tax incentives to approved businesses. Depperschmidt informed the board of Granada, Lamar, and Wiley adopting the resolution.

Holly resident, Tammy Neises addressed the Board regarding a time sensitive letter she received allowing her to provide her comment regarding her neighbor seeking a small animal/fowl permit. Neises proposed the Board to allow her daughter, the actual owner, to have additional time for comment as she is active duty service member and was not allowed sufficient time to make any comment. Neises herself had no objection to the application for small animal/fowl.

**Reports. Police Commissioner Report.** The report was available for review. **Crew Report.** Replaced transformer at Jerry Adams from storm damages in May. Completed the fencing around the airport transformers. Set poles at cemetery for monthly yard light service. Set poles between 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Street at Cheyenne Street. Quarterly gas monitoring test performed at landfill monitoring wells. Fixed sprinklers at

parks, mowed, and set up for Bluegrass Festival. Chip sealed Park Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, and Sunset Street. Continue to patch holes throughout town. Repaired water meters throughout town, serviced backhoe, and prepared for sanitary survey. **Clerk/Treasurer Report.** Financials were provided in the board packet. A financial summary was reviewed with the Board. **Library Report.** None. Trustee Lyons motioned to approve all reports as given and Trustee Sitts seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**Old or Unfinished Business. Historical Society Sidewalk Bids.** No new bids. **Sanitary Survey – July 18, 2017.** Mayor Garcia indicated he expects a good report from the Sanitation Survey based on the documents presented and the site survey. A detailed report from the inspector will follow. **Electric Rate Study Presentations.** Scheduling continues. **Town Administrator Job Description.** Trustee Holdren motioned to form a hiring committee and open the position to begin accepting applications. Trustee Stephens seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The hiring committee consists of Trustees Holdren, Reinert, and Stephens.

**New Business. Approval of the 2016 Audit.** Trustee Lyons motioned to approve the 2016 Audit, seconded by Trustee Sitts. Motion carried 5-0. **First Amendment to Agreement Concerning Implementation of an “E911” Emergency Telephone Service.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve the First Amendment to Agreement Concerning Implementation of an “E911” Emergency Telephone Service. Trustee Sitts seconded. Motion carried 5-0. **Resolution No. 2017-2 - A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Holly, Colorado of Prowers and the State of Colorado, Authorizing participation in the Rural Jump-Start Zone Program.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve Resolution 2017-2, and Trustee Stephens seconded. Motion carried: 4-1. Trustee Lyons opposed. **Application for Animal/Fowl Permit- Jacob Holdren at 109 N. 5 Street.** Trustee Reinert motion to approve the application for Animal/Fowl Permit. Trustee Stephens seconded. Motion carried 3-1. Trustee Sitts opposed and Trustee Holdren abstained. **Holly Gateway Classic- Car Show, Event Details.** Trustee Holdren informed the Board the car show judging will consist of awards for “Mayor’s pick” and “Holly Board of Trustee’s pick”. Trustee Holdren asked the Board to consider modifying the Town of Holly vendor permit fee for the event; he suggested a lump sum donation from the Holly Fire & Ambulance District returned after the event. Trustee Lyons motioned to waive all Town of Holly vendor permit fees during the September 23, 2017 Holly Gateway Fair. Seconded by Trustee Sitts. Motion carried 4-0. Trustee Holdren abstained. Trustee Holdren proposed allowing free tent camping in Gateway Park to accommodate concert spectators as the motels are booked. Trustee Reinert motioned to approve the free tent camping in Gateway Park for September 23, 2017. Seconded by Trustee Lyons. Motion carried: 4-0. Trustee Holdren abstained.

**Miscellaneous. Benefit CO-ED Softball Tournament Benefit for Ansley Herrera on July 22, 2017 at McCormick Ball Park.** Trustee Holdren motioned to approve the Benefit Tournament at McCormick Ball Park for July 22, 2017. Seconded by Trustee Sitts. Motion carried 5-0.

**Adjournment.** Trustee Sitts motioned to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.

/s/ Tony Garcia, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Megan Jara, Clerk/Treasurer