

**TOWN OF SILT
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MARCH 22, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.**

The Silt Board of Trustees held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, March 22, 2021. Mayor Pro-tem Knott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll call	Present	Mayor Pro-tem Kyle Knott
		Trustee Justin Brintnall
		Trustee Samuel Flores (remotely)
		Trustee Andreia Poston
		Trustee Jerry Seifert
		Trustee Sam Walls
	Absent	Mayor Keith Richel

Present remotely were Town Administrator Jeff Layman, Town Clerk Sheila McIntyre, Public Works Director Trey Fonner, Town Treasurer Amie Tucker, Police Chief Mike Kite, Town Prosecutor Angela Roff and members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Public Comments – There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of the March 8, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting
2. **Resolution No. 9, Series 2021**, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTING KAREN THORPE AS THE DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER/DEPUTY TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF THE TOWN OF SILT, COLORADO
3. Renewal of Hotel & Restaurant liquor license for Brickhouse Pizzeria

Trustee Seifert made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Trustee Walls seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Conflicts of Interest – There were no conflicts of interest.

Agenda Changes – There were no agenda changes.

LoVa Trail/Coal Ridge Trail discussion – Jeanne Golay

Administrator Layman stated that based on prior discussions with the Board that staff understood that they would like to move forward with a trail plan to Coal Ridge in conjunction with the County, New Castle and the LoVa Trail group. Jeanne Golay with LoVa Trail was present to provide a more formal power point presentation on the LoVa Coal Ridge Trail. She

went over the benefits of the trail, what has been done to this point, what the next steps would be and what issues they anticipate. She also discussed possible grants that could be obtained to assist in the cost of this regional project suggesting that the County act as the applicant on these grants. Ms. Golay stated that she would be happy to take the lead on this project and look into grants, adding that it may have to be done in phases.

Mayor Pro-tem Knott stated that the town would definitely be interested in pursuing this project adding that it doesn't need to be fancy, it just needs to be safe and functional. He asked what the Town needs to do in order to push this forward in a timely manner. Mr. Golay stated that the best thing to do right now is to show the County Commissioners that there is united support of this project, and that each community would do their best to do their part to help in the overall effort.

Administrator Layman stated that staff has the direction they need and would be moving forward. Trustee Walls asked that the Board be kept up to date on the project as it moves forward.

First reading of Ordinance No. 1, Series 2021, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SILT AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 13.02 OF THE SILT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING IRRIGATION WITHIN THE TOWN OF SILT

Administrator Layman explained that the Town experienced a shortage of irrigation water last year and that this year is shaping up to possibly be worse. The Town received a notice from the ditch company that explained that there could be an extreme water shortage again this year. Mr. Layman proceeded to go over the Action Plan that has been developed to assist in some of the deficiencies in water service. The plan lists items that the Town could immediately take action on along with items that could be explored down the road.

Administrator Layman went over the changes made in the ordinance before the Board tonight that would help address and promote the conservation of water. Director Fonner clarified that the no more than 3500 square feet of irrigable space is intended on new construction only. Mayor Pro-tem Knott asked about providing incentives to encourage people to xeriscape. Staff stated that they would look into this option and see if other communities are doing something similar.

The public hearing was opened at 7:40 p.m. There were no public comments and the hearing closed at 7:40 p.m.

Trustee Seifert made a motion to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 1, Series 2021, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SILT AMENDING TITLE 13, CHAPTER 13.02 OF THE SILT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING IRRIGATION WITHIN THE TOWN OF SILT. Trustee Flores seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

First reading of Ordinance No. 3, Series 2021, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SILT, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTERS 1.12, 2.08, 2.36, 6.04, 9.09, 9.28, 9.32, 10.04, 10.05, 10.10 AND 10.14 OF THE SILT MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT, ANIMALS, PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND WELFARE AND THE MODEL TRAFFIC CODE

Town Prosecutor Angela Roff was present to go through the ordinance and explain the need for the changes that are being requested. She explained that some changes would now allow for certain types of charges to be written into municipal instead of county court in the future.

The public hearing was opened at 7:48 p.m. There were no public comments and the hearing closed at 7:49 p.m.

Trustee Walls made a motion to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 3, Series 2021, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SILT, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTERS 1.12, 2.08, 2.36, 6.04, 9.09, 9.28, 9.32, 10.04, 10.05, 10.10 AND 10.14 OF THE SILT MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT, ANIMALS, PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND WELFARE AND THE MODEL TRAFFIC CODE. Trustee Brintnall seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

February 2021 financial report

Treasurer Tucker went over the February 2021 financials.

Administrator & Staff comments

Administrator Layman asked for clarification from the Board that they would like to have joint meetings with the County Commissioners twice a year. There was consensus to ask them to meet twice a year for preferably 90 minutes. Mr. Layman also went over the following:

- Recycling survey – Staff would be bringing a complete report to the April 12 meeting along with information on how to move forward with trash and recycling services;
- Tour of the water and wastewater plants at the April 26 work session;
- The Rural Jump Start program – AGNC was successful in lobbying to get this program and that it could be an asset to bringing businesses to our area; and
- That staff would start adding a copy of the newsletter to the Board packet. Any feedback would be appreciated.

Director Fonner explained that the town is experiencing a sink hole on 7th Street where it crosses the Cactus Valley Ditch. Staff will be digging up 7th Street next week to try and determine where water is coming from that has been reported at a house on 7th Street and Home Avenue.

Administrator Layman spoke about the American Rescue Plan, stating that it is money that has been earmarked for communities in Colorado. Treasurer Tucker stated that \$680,000 has been earmarked for Silt to be used towards a variety of qualifying projects and uses. Administrator Layman stated that it is believed that the money would be administered by DOLA and that it may be on a reimbursement basis. More information would be made available soon on how it could be used.

Updates from Board / Board comments

The Board thanked staff for all of their hard work. Trustee Poston stated that she was excited to see the momentum on the trail now and that everyone is finally coming together on this project. Trustee Walls commented on the success of basketball season and that soccer is coming up next and hopefully some music later this year. He also thanked Nicole Centeno for the good job that she has been doing with the sports programs.

Trustee Brintnall commented about the irrigation ordinance, adding that even though the penalties sound steep, the possibility of drought is very serious this year. He asked that everyone do their part and water only when they you are supposed to. Trustee Seifert referenced the shooting in Boulder today and asked everyone to stay safe, especially the police department, adding that things can change in a split second. Mayor Pro-tem Knott stated that an acquaintance of his moved to Silt and that he mentioned how happy he was that he moved here and the overall feel of the town. He added that he is also looking forward to the town activities planned for this summer.

Adjournment

Trustee Brintnall made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Seifert seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Pro-tem Knott adjourned the meeting 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sheila M. McIntyre, CMC
Town Clerk

Approved by the Board of Trustees



Kyle Knott
Mayor Pro-tem

