

**TOWN OF SILT
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.**

The Silt Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Monday, November 13, 2023. Mayor Richel called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Roll call	Present	Mayor Keith Richel Mayor Pro-tem Derek Hanrahan Trustee Justin Brintnall Trustee Chris Classen Trustee Andrea Poston Trustee Jerry Seifert
	Absent	Trustee Samuel Flores

Also present were Town Administrator Jeff Layman, Town Clerk Sheila McIntyre, Public Works Director Trey Fonner, Town Treasurer Amie Tucker, Community Development Manager Nicole Centeno, Chief of Police Mike Kite, Attorney Michael Sawyer 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 October 23, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting

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

Conflicts of Interest – There were no conflicts of interest.

Agenda Changes – Administrator Layman stated that he would like to provide a property tax update at the end of the meeting.

2022 Audit Presentation by Blair & Associates

Brian Blair was present to go through his presentation on the 2022 Audit. Mr. Blair stated that the town continues to be in good shape and he proceeded to go through the highlights while pointing out that the water and wastewater accounts were broken into two separate categories on this audit.

Trustee Seifert made a motion to accept the 2022 Audit as presented by Blair & Associates. Trustee Brintnall seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Middle Colorado Watershed Council Update – Paula Stepp

Paula Stepp and Morgan Hill were present to go through their presentation to update the Board on what MCWC has been doing in the region to protect and enhance the watershed with involvement of its stakeholders. They also shared information about the newly formed wildfire ready collaborative and requested support from the Board by signing the MOU. The Board was also asked for their annual support to MCWC for 2024 in the amount of \$3000. Staff stated that the amount has already been built into the 2024 budget which would be approved in December.

Mind Springs Update on Progress and Funding Discussion of Detox Center – Traci Harris

Present tonight were Hans Lutgring and Traci Harris, Substance Use Disorder Director for Mind Springs Health to go over their presentation showing the progress that they have been making on the new detox center that is being built in Glenwood Springs. Ms. Harris also went over that level of care the withdrawal management unit would be able to provide and the benefits of center. They stated that they anticipate having the building completed by the end of the 1st quarter of 2024. They also asked the Board for their support with a \$2000 contribution in 2024.

Colorado River Valley Economic Development Partnership (CRVEDP) Update – Alicia Gresley

Present tonight was Alicia Gresley with (CRVEDP) who proceeded to go through her presentation on what they are about and to share the progress that this partnership has made with its partners. She stated that this group is still in its infancy stages but that by having discussions as a region they can all benefit from working together and make an impact on the region's economy. It is the thought that by taking a regional approach it would be better suited to attracting new businesses. Ms. Gresley went over why Silt should consider investing in CRVEDP and stated that investing in CRVEDP would allow the town access to their resources and program. She asked the Board to consider a buy in of \$10,000 if possible, to be a partner.

There was additional discussion regarding the lack of assistance that the local Chamber has been able to provide and the benefit of utilizing CRVEDP to help the town instead.

Approval of a Brew Pub Liquor License for All In Brewing – *(staff requests a continuance to November 27, 2023)*

Town Clerk McIntyre asked that the Board continue the public hearing to the next meeting.

Trustee Seifert made a motion to continue the approval of the Brew Pub Liquor License for All in Brewing to the November 27, 2023 meeting. Trustee Classen seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

First reading of **Ordinance No. 7, Series 2023**, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SILT, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTERS 2.08 AND 2.44 OF THE SILT MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTIONS OF MONEY OWED TO THE TOWN AND THE SILT MUNICIPAL COURT, TOWN OF SILT, GARFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO

Town Clerk McIntyre went over the intent of the ordinance stating that it would offer an option for the municipal court to use to attempt to collect on fines that are outstanding. By establishing the ability to

have a collection option, this ordinance also provides the opportunity for other departments within the town to collect on unpaid debts.

The public hearing was opened at 9:11 p.m. There were no comments and the hearing was closed at 9:12 p.m.

Trustee Brintnall made a motion to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 7, Series 2023, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SILT, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTERS 2.08 AND 2.44 OF THE SILT MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTIONS OF MONEY OWED TO THE TOWN AND THE SILT MUNICIPAL COURT, TOWN OF SILT, GARFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO. Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Administrator and Staff Comments

Administrator Layman went over his report touching on: affordable housing interest and housing grants, broadband, traffic calming, transportation congestion, space needs for town hall, the \$1M EIAF grant that was received, the end of year party and the tree lighting scheduled for November 21 that would include fireworks.

Director Fonner provided an update on IMTPR stating that there has been a recommendation to not split the regions. He added that he would have more information soon.

Updates from Board / Board Comments

The Trustees commented on: that Fall Fest was a big hit, getting the Chamber of Commerce is for a discussion, putting the library on a future agenda, the good job done by staff on the water plant grant and the financials, the new information kiosk at Veteran's Park, the letter of support for a local 4-wheeler club and thanking staff for moving forward with the project to remodel town hall without hiring someone to do a study first.

Executive Session

Mayor Richel made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal or other property interest under CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(a) – Discussion on the purchase of property. Trustee Classen seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board adjourned to executive session at 9:32 p.m.

At the end of executive session, Mayor Richel made the following statement: “The time is now 10:23 p.m. and the executive session has concluded. No formal action was taken in the executive session. The participants in the executive session were: Keith Richel, Derek Hanrahan, Jerry Seifert, Justin Brintnall, Chris Classen, Andreia Poston, Jeff Layman, Sheila McIntyre, Amie Tucker, Nicole Centeno and Trey Fonner. For the record, if any person who participated in the executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, I would ask that you state your concerns for the record”. No objections were stated.

Adjournment

Trustee Seifert made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Classen seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Richel adjourned the meeting at 10:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved by the Board of Trustees



Sheila M. McIntyre
Town Clerk, CMC



Keith B. Richel
Mayor

