

**TOWN OF SILT
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JUNE 24, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.**

The Silt Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Monday, June 24, 2024. Mayor Richel called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Roll call	Present	Mayor Keith Richel Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan Trustee Justin Brintnall Trustee Chris Classen Trustee Kim Ingelhart (newly appointed) Trustee Andrea Poston Trustee Jerry Seifert
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Present were Town Manager Jim Mann, Town Clerk Sheila McIntyre, Town Treasurer Amie Tucker, Community Development Manager Nicole Centeno, Lieutenant Matt Gronbeck, Public Works Director Joe Lundeen 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 June 10, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting
2. Award of bid for New Windows and Doors at Town Hall to Pinnacle Glass Co. in the amount of \$67,033.00

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 – There were no agenda changes.

Interview for Board of Trustee Vacancy and appointment to Board of Trustees – Michael Bertaux, Kimberly Ingelhart and Alana Hanks

The Board proceeded interviewed Michael Bertaux, Kimberly Ingelhart and Alana Hanks for the vacancy on the Board.

Trustee Classen made a motion to appoint Michael Bertaux to the Board of Trustees. Trustee Brintnall seconded the motion and the motion failed with Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan and Trustees Seifert and Poston voting nay.

Trustee Poston made a motion to appoint Kimberly Ingelhart to the Board of Trustees. Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan seconded the motion and the motion carried with Trustee Classen voting nay.

Discussion regarding Per Diem for those Participating in Special Committee Meetings

Manager Mann stated that there has been limited discussion related to the potential compensation of public members that are appointed to special committees by the Board. Beginning to compensate may improve the Town's ability to attract members of the public to join the towns efforts.

There was discussion regarding what could be done to encourage the community to get involved and participate more with town related business and what incentives would attract people to join a committee such as a monetary payment, gift cards, credit towards water bills and holding separate monthly community meetings that would include a board member or two and staff to discuss things going on in town.

There was also discussion about increasing the amount of compensation for Planning Commissioners and if the VALE members should receive something as they are also appointed.

Website Refresh Discussion

Manager Mann stated that the website is generally old and outdated technology and is in need of some refreshing. One of the Town's strategic initiatives is to better engage the community, and one way to accomplish that goal is to update the website to be more modern and user friendly. He added that the site has been updated to address the accessibility concerns that are mandated by the state. Mr. Mann stated that the changes to the website would likely be added to the 2025 budget.

Key considerations from a Town Management perspective are the consolidation all of the town's sites together, and include Discover Silt and the Silt Police Department into one site. This would ease the navigation for the user, provide content that is of value to the user, make for logical construction/location of content, ease of content modification/updates, and consolidation of our community outreach efforts. It was also suggested that if the website was more user friendly, it would save staff time and could include access to more historical information.

There was a consensus to move forward with refreshing the website with Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan volunteering to assist.

May 2024 Financial Report

Treasurer Tucker went over the May 2024 financials.

Administrator and Staff Comments

Manager Mann went over his report stating that staff was in attendance at the CML conference last week along with Trustee Poston. He added that while at CML there were comments about the impact of pickle ball court in residential areas and the noise they generate. Staff would keep this information in mind as they move forward with the anticipated improvement of the Community Park.

Updates from Board / Board Comments

The Trustees welcomed Ms. Ingelhart to the Board and commented on the anticipated start date for the Home Avenue paving project, the crosswalk at the post office, the recent CML conference, the upcoming concert, following the watering schedule, and a possible dry field hockey set up instead of pickle ball. The Board also asked for statuses on the building inspector position, the potential electric charging station in front of the Holiday Inn, the Main Street Plaza project and broadband. The Board and staff were thanked for everything they do.


Mayor Richel asked if mosquito spraying could take place prior to the concert and the next movie in the park. He also commented about the marble shop that doesn't appear to have placed their stone behind the fence as required by their special use permit and asked what the status was of the Anderson property.

Adjournment

Trustee Seifert made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Brintnall seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Richel adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheila M. McIntyre
Town Clerk, CMC

Approved by the Board of Trustees

Keith B. Richel
Mayor

