

**TOWN OF SILT
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.**

The Silt Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on Monday, September 9, 2024. Mayor Richel called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll call	Present	Mayor Keith Richel Mayor Pro-tem Derek Hanrahan Trustee Justin Brintnall Trustee Chris Classen Trustee Kim Ingelhart Trustee Jerry Seifert
	Absent	Trustee Andreia Poston

Present were Town Manager Jim Mann, Town Clerk Sheila McIntyre, Town Treasurer Amie Tucker, Community Development Director Nicole Centeno, Public Works Director Joe Lundeen, Chief of Police Mike Kite and members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Public Comments – Town Clerk McIntyre stated that she had received three emails from citizens requesting that they be read into the record regarding noise in their neighborhood and requesting that the code be changed in ways such as an earlier curfew and decibel limits to help address future situations. Emails read were received by Daniel Fairchild, Nicole Fairchild and Cheyenne Goree. There was direction to staff to look into potential code changes and bring something back to the Board for review.

Consent Agenda –

1. Minutes of the August 26, 2024, Board of Trustees meeting

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

Conflicts of Interest – Trustee Seifert stated that he would be recusing himself from the Executive Session and Resolution 31 discussion due to being a manager at a storage complex next to the one on the agenda tonight.

Agenda Changes – There were no agenda changes.

Water Plant Construction Update – Dan Galvin with Garney Construction

Dan Galvin with Garney was present tonight to provide an update on the water plant construction. He stated that there have been no safety incidents to date, they have reduced their dewatering process, the last of the underslab pipe is in and they would be backfilling soon and that they continue to maintain their schedule and budget. They have billed just over \$4M to date and Dewberry has been on site according to the contract.

Wildfire Risk Analysis Plan – Paula Stepp with Middle Colorado Watershed District

Paula Stepp with Middle Colorado Watershed District and Christina Pearson with SGM were present to go through their presentation and annual update. They went over their primary projects, the Silt River Preserve and Silt Boat Ramp, gravel pit restoration and pursuing a Colorado River Wildfire collaboration. Ms. Pearson went over pre-wildfire mitigation, the Wildfire Ready Action Plan and Community Wildfire Protection Plan and how they work together when flooding has taken place after fires. Ms. Stepp explained how important grants are in being part of this collaborative. When asked what type of funding they would be requesting from the town, Ms. Stepp stated that they are still working on their budget but anticipated that they would be requesting between \$5,000 - \$10,000 from the Town.

YouthZone Update and Request for 2025 Funding

YouthZone Director of Operations, Lyn Williams was present to go over their annual update and he stated that they appreciate the support that the Town of Silt offers them. Mr. Williams went over the services that they provide, the costs associated with each client and data specific to Silt. YouthZone is asking the town to support them again next year in the amount of \$5,000.

Trustee Seifert recused himself from the Executive Session and the Resolution 31 agenda item.

Executive Session

Mayor Richel made a motion to go into executive session for a conference with the Town Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on a specific legal question under CRS Section 24-6-402(4)(b) – Water System Improvement/Access related to a request for an out-of-town water tap. Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board adjourned to executive session at 8:31 p.m.

At the end of executive session, Mayor Richel made the following statement: “The time is now 9:42 p.m. and the executive session has concluded. No formal action was taken in the executive session but negotiators were given direction. The participants in the executive session were: Keith Richel, Derek Hanrahan, Justin Brintnall, Chris Classen, Kim Ingelhart, Jim Mann, Sheila McIntyre, Nicole Centeno, Joe Lundeen and Mike Sawyer. 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.

Resolution No. 31, Series 2014, A RESOLUTION EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT WITH FREEUP STORAGE FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER SERVICE TO THE GARFIELD COUNTY ASSESSMENT PROPERTY PARCEL NUMBER 2179-101-00-018 IN THE TOWN OF SILT, GARFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO *(continuance requested by staff to September 23, 2024)*

Director Centeno stated that staff recommends a continuation of the public notice for the Free-Up Storage application, requesting an out-of-town water service. The Town is working to process the application and address several outstanding variables to the satisfaction of the Town.

Trustee Classen made a motion to continue Resolution No. 31, Series 2014, A RESOLUTION EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT WITH FREEUP STORAGE FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER SERVICE TO THE GARFIELD COUNTY ASSESSMENT PROPERTY PARCEL NUMBER 2179-101-00-018 IN THE TOWN OF SILT, GARFIELD COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO and the public hearing to September 23, 2024. Mayor Pro-tem Hanrahan seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Seifert rejoined the meeting.

Broadband Update

Manager Mann stated that there is very little to report on the broadband initiative and that Garfield County Manager Jarman stated that they are still waiting on the final Project Area Maps that the ISP's would use to determine their desired service areas. There is no estimated time as to when this project would move forward.

Manager and Staff Reports

Manager Mann went over his staff report touching on the special legislative session regarding property taxes, the Home Avenue rebuild adding that the contractor ran into a significant section with bad sub soils. They continue to try and determine the best solution to create a driving surface that won't fail. This project will be going over budget by a possible \$200K by the time it is completed. He also went over the upcoming CML District meeting on September 26 and the Fall Leaders Forum which now would need to take place on the same day at the Rislende Event Center. There was a consensus to move forward with the Fall Leaders Forum.

Updates from Board / Board Comments

The Board asked for a status on the I-70 ramp improvement, the next joint meeting with the BOCC and an update on 4-wheelers having a signed trail out to Squirrell Valley. The Board also commented on the Highwater Farms Harvest dinner, the great event series this year, a

thank you to Representative Velasco and her staff for coming in tonight and kudos to Nicole and Dusti for a job well done at the concert last Friday night.

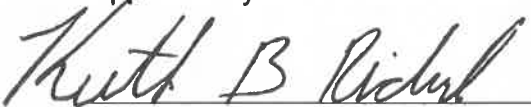
Adjournment

Trustee Brintnall made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Classen seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Richel adjourned the meeting at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sheila M. McIntyre
Town Clerk, CMC

Approved by the Board of Trustees


Keith B. Richel
Mayor

