

**TOWN OF LIMON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
May 3, 2018
7:00 P.M.**

Notice of this meeting was published in The Limon Leader on Thursday May 3, 2018 and posted at town hall on May 2, 2018.

Mayor Coonts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL

Town Clerk Chris Snyder called roll. Members of the Board present: Mayor Coonts; Trustees: Beattie, Hoover, Parmer, Metcalf and Randolph.

STAFF

Staff present: Town Manager Stone, Assistant Manager Tacha, Attorney Kimble, Chief of Police Yowell, Ambulance Supervisor Handley, Recreation Director Stone, and Town Clerk Snyder.

GUESTS

Tucker Thompson, Ben Ferree, Shelley Hendrix, Will Bublitz, Tara and Ian Christie, Fritz Gilbert, Greg Westfall, Criss Rosler, Kurt Thompson, Gary Lewman, Chris Monks, Teresa O'Dwyer, Monte Snyder, Frank Hoover, Casey and Troy Thompson, Rich and Donna Metcalf, Joshua Niebur, Troy McCue, Jason Farley, Cathy Thurston, William and Billie Given, and Sam Walker.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Beattie moved to approve the minutes for April 5, 2018; seconded by Trustee Metcalf. Motion carried unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE

Town Clerk Snyder administered the oath of office to Benjamin Ferree, Jason Parmer and Shelley Hendrix.

RECOGNITION FOR TRUSTEE METCALF

The meeting went into a short break to honor Trustee Metcalf and Student Liaison Tucker Thompson.

NEW BOARD TRAINING

Town Manager Stone reviewed board training materials and the Board watched a CIRSA video training for public officials.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-05-20; APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Mayor Coonts introduced and there was read the title of the following proposed resolution and the entire text of said resolution was submitted in writing to each member of the Board of Trustees and the Mayor.

Resolution No. 18-05-20; A Resolution Appointing Municipal Officers for the Town of Limon.

Trustee Parmer moved to approve Resolution No. 18-05-20; seconded by Trustee Beattie. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 18-05-21; LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MORGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Town Manager Stone introduced and there was read the title of the following proposed resolution and the entire text of said resolution was submitted in writing to each member of the Board of Trustees and the Mayor.

Resolution No. 18-04-21; A Resolution Approving an Amendment to an Existing Lease for Office Space Within the Library with Morgan Community College (MCC) and Authorizing the Execution of Said Agreement.

Trustee Randolph moved to approve Resolution No. 18-04-21; seconded by Trustee Hoover. Motion carried unanimously.

OSCAR'S LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL

Trustee Parmer moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Morttel Inc. dba Oscars Bar & Grill; seconded by Trustee Randolph. Motion carried unanimously.

SOUTHSIDE LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL AND REPORT OF CHANGES

Trustee Beattie moved to approve the liquor license renewal and report of changes for South Food & Drink LLC; seconded by Trustee Parmer. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Trustee Parmer moved to appoint Joshua Niebur to the Planning Commission for a six year term to expire March 2024; seconded by Trustee Randolph. Motion carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY ACCESS TO SOUTH LIMON

Town Manager Stone reported to the Board on previous attempts to gain an easement for an emergency access to South Limon if the train is blocking the crossing. One agreement was negotiated, and access permits taken out but was withdrawn because the Town would not agree to conditions imposed by the landowner. Mr. Westfall has stated that he will not grant an easement unless the ambulance department goes under the authority of the fire department. The process of eminent domain was discussed to gain access for the ambulance, police and department of correction employees.

SHARED SERVICES WITH LIMON AREA FIRE PROTECTION

Greg Westfall stated he has granted an easement on his property for the exclusive use of the fire department.

The fire department asked for a committee to talk about shared services.

Ambulance Supervisor Handley talked about how the ambulance service operates currently.

Attorney Kimble talked about intergovernmental agreements and that if an agreement is done it would be with the Town and the Fire District. The ambulance service is a department of the town and there would be considerations involving insurance and personnel manuals.

The Fire District has appointed a medical doctor and have contracted for EMS billing.

Fire Board member Teresa O'Dwyer is concerned for citizens. Their Board has met for months and want to move forward. There is the issue of Fireman's Pension if we share staff. Volunteers should have the choice to be on both services. She would like the hospital, the fire district and the town to meet together and form a committee.

Assistant Chief Tara Christie commented that because the fire department has an easement in the event of an emergency they could take care of any emergency medical needs until the ambulance could get there. She talked about the fire district service plan.

SUPPORT FOR COUNTRY LIVING AND LEARNING CENTER

Mayor Coonts signed a letter of support for the Country Living and Learning Center and the Board will consider financial support in the next budget.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Town Attorney Kimble reported the mediation settlement is done and the funds are dispersed.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Chief of Police Yowell

- New officer, Colby Rau has started.
- Bike to School Day is May 9th
- Colorado Law Enforcement Memorial

Town Manager Stone

- Ken Davis, Code Compliance officer is starting his building official training.
- Article on John Rohr in national rural electric magazine
- Arbor Day celebration was 28th celebration
- Old weight scales from Norag will be moved to make a bridge from the Community Building to the pool
- Free dump day will be May 12th
- Sewer line project and water main replacement
- CML meeting will be May 17th
- Hugo is considering adopting building codes and would like the town to consider offering inspection services to them. Stone, Tacha and Davis will be attending a meeting.
- CML conference will be June 19 to June 22.

MAYORS REPORT

Mayor Coonts gave out Board responsibilities.

The Board picked the picture to go on the grain bin mural painting.

Pedal the Plains is coming in September.

LaQuinta has started construction.

She talked about the Protect the Protectors project and dinner and how great it was to have so many individuals coming together.

She toured the new town hall at Bennett.

Mayor Coonts reported on a meeting she attended with Senator Gardner.

The golf fundraiser is Saturday.

She welcomed the new members to the Board.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Trustee Parmer also welcomed the new members. He gave kudos to the staff and commented they make the job easier. The committee should go forward and he felt having members wanting to serve on both services is great.

Trustee Beattie hopes we can get our hands together.

Trustee Randolph congratulated Rich and Donna Metcalf and Mark Ortell on the success of the Protect our Protectors fund raising.

He thanked the fire department members for coming in and commented there is a need to move forward.

Trustee Ferree is excited for the future and would like to see the divisions go away. Everybody needs to work together.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Trustee Hoover moved to approve the bills that were submitted for the month of April; seconded by Trustee Beattie. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Parmer moved to adjourn at 9:45 p.m.; seconded by Trustee Randolph. Motion carried unanimously.

TOWN CLERK _____

MAYOR _____