

Minutes of The Board
of Trustees
Town of Gilcrest, Colorado
304 8th Street-Town Hall
August 17, 2021
7:00 P.M.

1. CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 P.M.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call – Present: Mayor Chavez, Mayor Pro-Tem Nothem, Trustees; Esquivel, Fulton, Castro. Absent: Lester, Tapia
- C. Town Staff Present: Larry Lorentzen, Town Administrator; Bob Meisner, Public Works Foreman

2. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AGENDA:

Motion – Castro, Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. **2nd - Nothem**
All voted Aye. **Motion carried** (4-0).

3. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Nancy Kern, 1224 Vine Street, addressed the Mayor concerning statements he had made during the previous meeting noting that few of the residents worked in Town, but rather drove to another place for work. Also, the Board minutes showed that residents had come to the Board complaining about the trucks a year ago on September 1st, so this was not a new issue.

Jaz Allmer, 1606 38th Road, Evans, Colorado, stated he had a tow truck driver who was supposed to tow a vehicle from a friend's house, take his totem poles. Despite filing a report with the Platteville police had not gotten any response back

4. CONSENT Agenda:

- a. Board of Trustee Minutes for August 3, 2021
- b. Amended Board of Trustee Minutes for July 20, 2021
- c. Bills for Approval

Motion - Castro, Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, **2nd Esquivel**
All voted Aye. **Motion carried** (4-0).

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Idling Ordinance Language

Administrator Lorentzen submitted a couple of options for idling language, recommending language similar to Johnstown's with a prohibition of vehicles over 10,000 lbs. idling on the streets between 10:00 pm and 7:00 am. The Board by consensus requested an ordinance on the next agenda with Johnstown's language but including reefer trailers in the prohibition.

And excluding parked vehicles parked off the street on commercial property.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Manny Agripino Request for Public Works to Locate & Expose Water Main

Manny Agripino addressed the Board stating public works personnel had been unable to locate a 2 inch water main for him to tap into for the residence he is building at 815 Starbird Avenue. His excavator has left the site and refuses to come back. He requested the Public Works Department expose the water main using public works personnel and equipment

Administrator Lorentzen stated Public Works had located and marked the location for the line as requested. No tracer wire was available so the locate paint line and actual location could differ substantially, but the excavator Manny had contracted with did not consistently dig at least 6 feet deep in the area of the painted "locate" line. He suggested the public works crew expose the water main and if it is found within 10 feet either side of the locate line, that Mr. Agripino be required to reimburse the town for personnel and equipment hourly costs.

Trustee Lester arrived and joined the meeting at 7:30 pm.

The Board by consensus directed the Administrator to put together contract language with the responsibility for costs along the parameters discussed, with a reasonable not to exceed maximum amount Mr. Agripino could be liable for.

a. Discussion – Fall Cleanup Day

Trustee Esquivel stated she believed the Town should do a fall cleanup day. In the past when we did such an event they had problems, but she believed it was time to try it again.

Mayor Chavez stated he would prefer to contract with the trash company to come out and go through all the streets. He realized this would not work for large objects.

Trustee Lester stated he thought he could get his employer to donate roll-off dumpsters, with possibly charging the Town only actual costs for landfill dump charges. It was agreed the Board would delay scheduling the event until Trustee Lester had a chance to see what his company would be willing to do.

Further Discussion was held on how to limit dumping at the dumpsters to town residents, whether or not there would be a fee to the residents, and how to control dumping so no prohibited item such as tires or electronics get into the dumpsters.

7. REPORTS:

Code Enforcement Report

Administrator Lorentzen noted the new format of the written report with a list of all addresses given notices during the month. With the advent of covid the enforcement officer started giving more time to comply with violations as it was difficult for residents to get services such as lawn mowing and tree trimming etc. The Code Enforcement officer has been directed to go back to the pre-covid time limits.

Discussion was held on the responsibility for repairing of sidewalks. Gilcrest Town Code

similar to most municipalities requires the adjacent homeowner to maintain the sidewalks including keeping clear of snow and repairing damaged sidewalks.

Mayor Chavez requested sidewalk maintenance responsibility be on the next agenda for further discussion.

Police Report

No discussion on written report.

Town Administrator Report -

Administrator Lorentzen updated the Board on the recruitment process for a new Town Clerk/Treasurer, stating he hoped to be making a job offer to one of the candidates the following week.

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Discussion was held on the turn lanes at Hwy 85 accesses.

Trustee Nothem requested to look at increasing hours of police services during the budget process.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion - Esquivel, to adjourn the meeting, 2nd **Lester**
All voted Aye. **Motion carried (5-0)**.

Mayor Chavez adjourned 8:34 P.M. on August 17, 2021.



TOWN OF GILCREST



Tyson Chavez, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Joseph, Town Clerk