

Del Norte Regular Town Board Meeting

November 8, 2023

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Del Norte, Rio Grande County, State of Colorado, met in regular session on November 8, 2023, in the Board Meeting Room, 140 Spruce Street, Del Norte, Colorado at the hour of 5:00 p.m. There being present at the **CALL OF THE ROLL** the following persons:

ROLL CALL:

Town Board present: Trustee Marty Asplin, Trustee Louie Velasquez, Mayor Chris Trujillo; Trustee Brenton Williams were in attendance. Trustee Leigh Anne Lobato, Mayor Pro tem Bob Muncy, and Trustee Shelly Burnett, all were absent. Mayor Trujillo declared a quorum present.

MINUTES:

Trustee Louie Velasquez made the motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Trustee Marty Asplin approve the October 11, 2023, Regular Board meeting. Roll call: All ayes. Mayor Trujillo declared the motion carried.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Martha Williams approached the Town Board and wanted some clarity on why the Town didn't opt in to Proposition 123 it was a funding source for affordable housing. Mayor Trujillo mentioned the Town currently has to focus on other priorities especially with water and sewer; he did want to let her know that affordable housing is a concern for the Town, but they wanted to wait to see how Prop 123 plays out and that the Town can still opt in next year.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

Kevin mentioned that he had just finished up the State survey on the water system he did have some minor reporting issues, but it went well. Chief Archuleta mentioned his burglaries were down, and he also wanted to let the Board know the fire siren is down. The motion was made by Trustee Brenton Williams to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Trustee Louie Velasquez. Roll call: All ayes, Mayor Trujillo declared motion carried.

Motion was made by Trustee Marty Asplin to amend the agenda for discussion and approval of Ordinance No 756, an Ordinance

Designating Site Selection and Construction of Major New Domestic Water Systems and Major Existing Domestic Water Systems and Municipal and Industrial Water Projects as Activities of State Interest, seconded by Trustee Louie Velasquez. Roll call: All ayes, Mayor declared motion carried.

Ordinance No 756-Discussion was held and since no comments were received during the public hearing, Trustee Brenton Williams made a motion to adopt Ordinance 756, seconded by Trustee Marty Asplin. Roll call: All ayes, Mayor declared motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Lauren Coleman Town Property encroachment- Lauren was not present at the meeting, with much discussion motion was made by Trustee Brenton Williams to allow Lauren Coleman with Mellow Moon lodge to install a concrete pad only for her trash receptacle, and not the structure she had indicated in her site plan. Motion was seconded by Trustee Louie Velasquez. Roll call: All ayes, Mayor declared motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Special Events Permit- Del Norte Chamber of Commerce- Parade of Lights-Del Norte Chamber Will Kreutzer was present with some discussion Motion was made by Trustee Brenton Williams to approve the Special Events permit for Del Norte Chamber parade of lights on December 15th, seconded by Trustee Marty Asplin. Roll call: All ayes, Mayor declared motion carried.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Anthem- Employee Health Insurance contract for 2024 –Motion was made by Trustee Brenton to approve the Blue Cross/Blue Shield employee health insurance, seconded by Trustee Marty Asplin. Roll call: All ayes, Mayor declared motion carried.

COMMITTEE/OTHER BUSINESS:

Chamber Update- Will Kreutzer approached the Board and did mention that a couple of months ago he had asked if the Town could donate to the firework show for parade of lights, and the Town had stated it was the same as last year, but it was actually \$2000 and they only gave \$1000, he was wondering if the Town would be willing to contribute the same \$2000. A motion was made by Trustee Marty Asplin to contribute an additional \$1000 to Del Norte Chamber, seconded by Trustee Louie Velasquez. Roll call: All yes, Mayor declared motion carried.

Voss Field update- Kevin mentioned that Patti Kelly had sent an email of the progress, they have started to put in the poles for the fencing and the dugouts, some of the hardware for backstop fencing is on back order and may not get done this year.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Farish is preparing for municipal trials set for next week. Del Norte Planning Commission is going over some of the suggestions that SEH Consultants had suggested in the final report also as it pertains to affordable housing.

With nothing further before the Town Board meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Submitted on the 13th day of December 2023.