

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CITY OF CREEDE, COLORADO – A TOWN
March 11, 2008**

REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the City of Creede – a Town, County of Mineral, State of Colorado, met in regular session in the Creede Town Hall at the hour of 5:30 PM. There being present at the call of the roll the following persons:

PRESENT: Kim Nagy, Evelyn Gant, Debbie Wylesky, Eldon Seime,
Joe Keller, Rex Shepperd, Dana Brink

Mayor Seime, presiding, declared a quorum present:
Those members of staff also present were as follows:

Pamela Wilson, City Clerk/Treasurer
Clyde Dooley, City Manager

REVIEW AGENDA

Items (b) and (d) of New Business will become items (a) and (b) respectively and items (a) and (c) will become items (c) and (d) respectively. There were no other changes to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 12, 2008

After correcting a grammatical error and a misspelled word, Trustee Shepperd moved and Trustee Brink seconded to approve the minutes of February 12, 2008, as corrected. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

Questions were asked and answered. Trustee Brink moved and Trustee Wylesky seconded to approve the monthly disbursements as presented on the February 2008 check detail report. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Mike Kolisch was not available to answer questions about his report. The Board reviewed Kolisch's report.

WRITTEN REPORTS

This includes the Chamber and the Recreation reports to be read at the Board's leisure.

WILLOW CREEK RECLAMATION COMMITTEE (WCRC) THANK-YOU FOR IN-KIND

Carishma Gokhale-Welch, Director of WCRC sent a letter of thanks to Mayor Seime and the Trustees for the city's donation of office space, meeting space and the use of the copy and facsimile machines. Gokhale-Welch said that the City's donation of office space and equipment has served as in-kind matches for grants and has greatly facilitated WCRC activities in the Willow Creek watershed.

ELECTION UPDATE

City Clerk and Election Official Wilson addressed the Board of Trustees to update them about the municipal election to be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2008. Wilson explained that a total of three nomination petition packets were signed out for Mayor and that a total of three were returned and accepted. The candidates for Mayor are (in the order they were drawn for the ballot): Peter Calandruccio; Dana Brink and Rex M. Shepperd. Wilson explained that eight nomination packets were signed out to fill four trustee seats and that eight were returned and accepted. The candidates for Trustee are (in the order they were drawn for the ballot): Allen DeLong; Ed Vita; Joe Keller; Clint Johnson; Kathy Lehman; Ryan Daugherty; Debra R. Wylesky and Evelyn Gant; however, Ryan Daugherty could not produce the necessary evidence to prove that he will have lived the required twelve consecutive months within the Town limits prior to the election; therefore, he withdrew as a candidate leaving

seven names remaining on the ballot for trustee. Wilson said that at 5:00 PM today was the deadline to receive affidavits of write-in for candidates (prior to twenty days before election day.) Today (the twenty-first day before the election) was the first of three dates that the candidate's report of contribution and expenditure was due. The next two dates are March 28th, the Friday before the election and May 1st, thirty days after the election (§ 1-45-108 (2)(a)(II) C. R. S.) I remind the candidates of these dates because I "shall" impose a fine of fifty dollars per day that the reports are turned in late.

NEW BUSINESS

MINERAL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REQUEST FOR AFTER PROM DONATIONS

Mineral County Sheriff Fred Hosselkus had prepared a letter of request for the Board of Trustees and was available to answer their questions. Trustee Wylesky moved and Trustee Keller seconded to approve a donation of one hundred fifty dollars to be paid from the water and sewer enterprise fund. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL – THE CREEDE HOTEL AND RESTAURANT

Trustee Shepperd moved and Trustee Brink seconded to approve the renewal of the Hotel and Restaurant liquor license for The Creede Hotel. There were five yeas and one nay (Wylesky). Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

SAN LUIS VALLEY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE BOARD, INC. (SLVHMB) REQUEST FOR FUNDS

Trustee Shepperd moved and Trustee Brink seconded to approve the requested funding of \$80.75 to support the SLVHMB 2008 budget. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

CITY ALLOCATION OF VIRGINIA CHRISTENSEN 2008 APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR SPRING AND FALL DISTRIBUTION

A total of forty thousand dollars has been appropriated for distribution for the 2008 budget. The Board of Trustees agreed to keep the same allocation of funds for distribution that was used in 2007. Thirty thousand dollars will be available for distribution at the spring funding and ten thousand dollars will be available for distribution at the fall funding.

RESOLUTION 08-03, ACCEPTING AND EXPENDING FUNDS FROM THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST FUND (GOCO) FOR THE VISITOR CENTER

Trustee Shepperd moved and Trustee Gant seconded to approve and adopt resolution 08-03. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION 08-04, TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE FEASIBILITY OF ACCEPTING CREEDE RESOURCES PROPERTY

Trustee Shepperd moved and Trustee Brink seconded to approve and adopt resolution 08-04. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The items discussed and the actions taken were as follows: City Manager Dooley requested administrative direction to work with grant writer Janelle Kukuk and Debra Downs, Regional Manager of Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) to submit, by the deadline of April 1, 2008, the application for a grant of \$500,000 that Dooley has completed. Trustee Keller moved and Trustee Nagy seconded for Dooley to work with Kukuk and Downs and move forward with the grant application. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

City Manager Dooley made information available to the Board about the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) grant/loan application for the waterline replacement project. The Trustees agreed to discuss this issue further at a work session.

City Manager Dooley requested direction in a memorandum that he drafted to the Board concerning Ron Fief Sr.'s property in south Creede. Dooley recommended the Board consider "grand fathering" his current zoning/use rather than require Fief to rezone to come into compliance with his property's current use. The Trustees directed Dooley to move forward with the compliance ordinance for rezoning. Ordinance #344 will appear for approval as Old Business on the April 8, 2008 agenda.

City Manager Dooley requested direction to drop the five thousand dollar per year donation to Mineral County for nursing services. Dooley said the general fund needs some attention. The Trustees said "no" to this request to drop this donation.

City Manager Dooley drafted a letter to run in the local newspaper explaining the city's road conditions and plans to remedy the problems. Dooley requested direction to send the letter for publication. The trustees reviewed Dooley's draft, corrected the grammatical errors and added additional information before directing Dooley to send the letter to the *Mineral County Miner*.

Regarding the FYI to the Board about the request that Dooley was to send to the Mineral County Commissioners for a letter of support of the City's application to the Surface Transportation Board (STB) for the adverse abandonment of the railroad right-of-way within the Town limits, Dooley said that city railroad attorney Ron Johnson confirmed to him that the deadline for comments from the community expired on January 31, 2008.

The Trustees agreed to have their regular work session on Tuesday, March 25, 2008 at 5:30 PM.

This report had other informational only items in it as well.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees at this time, Trustee Shepperd moved and Trustee Nagy seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 6:37 PM. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Seime declared the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved by Board of Trustees:

Pamela J. Wilson, City Clerk/Treasurer

Rex M. Shepperd, Mayor Pro-Tem