

TOWN OF COLUMBINE VALLEY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes

June 18, 2019

Mayor Champion called the Regular Meeting of the Trustees to order at 6:30 p.m., in the Conference Room at the Town Hall at 2 Middlefield Road, Columbine Valley, Colorado. Roll call found the following present:

Trustees: Richard Champion, Bruce Menk, Kathy Boyle, Gale Christy, Bill Dotson, Gary Miles and Roy Palmer

Also present: Lee Schiller, J.D. McCrumb, Janet Taylor, and Bret Cottrell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved without change.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Chris Franke, CCC Clubhouse Manager provided an update to the Trustees on the Club's 4th of July plans.

Bill Brittan, 11 Arabian Place, Trustee Bill #2 is too broad and vague, he appreciates the intent but is worried about over reach.

Earl Hosterman, 71 Brookhaven Drive, rooster problem has not been alleviated despite efforts of Robbs, encourages the Town to take action.

Karen Ausfahl, 600 Watson Lane, people knew they were buying a home near Ag property, she objects to the change/limit in the zoning of her property.

John Robb, 701 Watson Lane, asks Trustees not to approve Trustee Bill #6 or #3. Noise problems are already addressed in Town code.

Patricia Robb, 701 Watson Lane, Town action will diminish land value and property rights; they bought property to have a farm/Ag land. This is about property rights not noise.

Nick Nicholson, 15 Driver Lane, agrees with Bill Brittan about Trustee Bill #2.

Ann Baldwin, 73 Brookhaven Drive, believes the Town is required to address noise nuisance, disappointed the Town has taken so long to take action.

Meredith Scult, 69 Brookhaven Drive, a new resident who would not have bought home if had known rooster noise was so bad.

CONSENT AGENDA: The minutes of the May 22, 2019 meeting were approved.

REPORTS:

- A. Mayor Champion reminded everyone of the upcoming concert in the park and 4th of July parade and festival
- B. Trustee Boyle discussed her intentions to fundraise for a stage in Columbine Park and proposed the idea of a 501c3 foundation to help raise the money. She will bring a proposal for the Trustees to consider. Trustee Palmer discussed the Town owned tract near the Willowcroft pedestrian path and his desire for the Town to contribute towards installing turf rather than the proposed native grass. The Trustees directed staff to spend up to \$8,400 from the Public Works budget to contribute towards that project.

- C. Mr. McCrumb presented the attached report and mentioned that the staff was investigating the possible annexation of a surrounded parcel near the Wild Plum development.
- D. Chief Cottrell presented the attached report and updated the Trustees on Officer Goodyear's condition.
- E. Mrs. Taylor presented the attached financials and discussed variances.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Bill #6, 2018 – Rooster/Swine Ban: Mr. Schiller presented the ordinance for consideration on 2nd reading. He informed the Trustees that the proper procedures including a public hearing had been followed. The Trustees discussed this issue at length.

Trustee Dotson: was hoping neighbors could resolve this without Town action; many other municipalities have similar ordinances; CV is a town of quiet neighborhoods – the issue is the noise, not the fowl.

Trustee Menk: frustrated at situation, will vote no because the action is not proportional to the problem; will vote in favor of the noise ordinance.

Trustee Palmer: based on Robbs concession to get rid of the roosters by July 1, will vote no on this measure.

Mayor Champion: appreciates concession, responded to question by Robbs stating that while the current board can make no commitments about action on future animals (noise) does not view those animals to be as disruptive as roosters.

ACTION: upon a motion by Trustee Palmer and a second by Trustee Miles, the Board of Trustees unanimously defeated Trustee Bill #6, 2018.

NEW BUSINESS:

Trustee Bill #2, 2019 – Vicious Animals: Mr. Schiller presented the ordinance to amend and enhance the Town's existing vicious animal ordinance in response to judicial decisions. The Trustees asked clarifying questions and had a brief discussion.

ACTION: upon a motion by Trustee Menk and a second by Trustee Christy, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved Trustee Bill #2, 2019 on 1st reading.

Trustee Bill #3, 2019 – Noisy Animals: Mr. Schiller presented the ordinance to address noisy animals in Columbine Valley. Prior to any discussion or a motion Trustee Menk announced that he was not moving for approval at this time, based on the discussion and results of the rooster issue and citizen concession to remove the noisy animals.

Trustee Bill #4, 2019 – Firearms in Public Buildings: Mr. Schiller presented the ordinance as a follow up to recent incidents at Town Hall and as a measure of best practice followed by neighboring municipalities. Trustee Palmer asked that the required posted language be reduced to the first sentence only.

ACTION: upon a motion by Trustee Dotson and a second by Trustee Boyle, the Board of Trustees unanimously approved Trustee Bill #4, 2019 as amended on an emergency basis.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Submitted by,
J.D. McCrumb, Town Administrator

** All reports and exhibits listed “as attached” are available on the Columbine Valley web site and by request at Town Hall, 2 Middlefield Road.*

*** All minutes should be considered to be in DRAFT form until approved by the Board of Trustees at the next regular meeting.*