MINUTES
CARBONDALE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2018

Mayor Richardson called the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting to order on November 13, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall meeting room.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Students from Carbondale Middle School, Ross Montessori School and the Carbondale Community School were in attendance to receive the "Student of the Month" award. The following students were awarded a Certificate of Achievement from Mayor Richardson:

Theo Jenkins  Freja Koorn
Nathan Drew  Gael Meraz Mancinas
Yuli Noyola Romero  Isabella Tellez Ferrufino

ROLL CALL:

The following members were present for roll call:

Mayor
TrUSTEES

Dan Richardson
Lani Kitching
Erica Sparhawk
Ben Bohmfalk
Luis Yllanes
Marty Silverstein

Absent

Heather Henry

Staff Present:
Town Manager
Town Clerk
Attorney
Finance Director
Public Works Director
Police Chief
Student Resource Officer

Jay Harrington
Cathy Derby
Tarn Udal
Renea Gustine
Kevin Schorzman
Gene Schilling
Gretchen Stock-Bell
CONSENT AGENDA

- Accounts Payable totaling $296,312.50
- BOT 10/16/18 Work Session Minutes
- BOT 10/23/18 Regular Meeting Minutes
- EBoard Request for Funding – Woodstove PSA’s and Leaf Management Education Campaign
- Network and Phone System Contract
- Ordinance No. 16, Series of 2018 – Eliminating Childcare Facilities Distance Requirement to Marijuana Establishments in the Industrial Zone District
- Liquor License Renewal – Village Smithy
- Liquor License Renewal – Rhumba Girl Liquors

CONSENT

Trustee Bohmfalk asked if the EBoard PSA’s and Leaf Management Campaign are being translated into Spanish. Jay stated that staff will contact the Spanish radio station and newspaper.

Trustee Bohmfalk made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and directed staff to translate PSA’s in to Spanish when applicable. Trustee Sparhawk seconded the motion and it passed with:

6 yes votes: Kitching, Sparhawk, Bohmfalk, Richardson, Silverstein, Yllanes

PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Silverstein acknowledged Veteran’s Day and the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

Trustee Silverstein stated that the 16th annual Rock Mountain Radio Conference will be held in Carbondale. Hear them Roar will perform at the Temporary on Thursday to close out the conference.

Trustee Sparhawk stated that she attended the Colorado Communities for Climate Action meeting. Governor-Elect Polis is currently activating his transition team. You can apply on-line for various committees.

Trustee Bohmfalk stated that the Horse Council had asked the Board to submit a formal comment to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regarding the Sutey property. Trustee Bohmfalk went to the BLM open house on the Sutey Property. He also talked
to Darryl Fuller, Chair of the Bike/Pedestrian Trail Committee, about the Sutey Property. The consensus was to trust the BLM process and submit comments individually.

Trustee Kitching stated that she received a letter from a resident of River Valley Ranch concerning pickle ball courts.

Trustee Kitching cautioned everyone about a scam involving a Roaring Fork High School promotional calendar - she said to be very wary of such requests.

Mayor Richardson informed the Board that he took a tour of the Nettle Creek Water Plan; it is very well kempt.

Mayor Richardson thanked staff and First Friday volunteers – it was a great event.

Mayor Richardson stated that he attended the Roaring Fork School District Visioning meeting. He said that town staff was complimented at the meeting. Mayor Richardson commented on the vaping epidemic.

Mayor Richardson stated that last week he attended the RFTA Board meeting. Mayor Richardson noted that the mill levy increase ballot question passed; he thanked everyone for their support. Also, RFTA signed agreements with the City of Glenwood Springs for the South Bridge project and one with the Union Pacific Railroad giving up the Y.

ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

The attorney did not have any comments.

SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE – TRUE MEDIA

True Media has applied for a Special Event Liquor License for an event to be held at the Third Street Center. All fees have been paid and the Police Department has reported no problems with the applicant or the premises.

Trustee Bohmfalk made a motion to approve True Media’s Special Event Liquor License Application. Trustee Yllanes seconded the motion and it passed with:

6 yes votes: Kitching, Silverstein, Sparhawk, Richardson, Bohmfalk, Yllanes

TOBACCO/VAPING CHECK-IN

Gene Schilling informed the Board that the police talked to all of the vendors who sell tobacco and vaping products and informed them of the Town’s new ordinance increasing the age to 21 to buy/possess tobacco and vaping products. The police conducted compliance checks
last week and four of the vendors failed. They were all issued citations. Jay suggested that a few more compliance checks should be conducted before the Board considers transitioning to licensing.

Trustee Silverstein asked where does the money from the fines go? Jay explained that it goes into the General Fund and the 30% surcharge goes to the VALE Fund. Jay noted that $10,000 from the Marijuana Fund is designated for Nicotine addiction treatment next year.

Trustee Bohmfalk asked what is our approach to possession? Gene answered first offense people are issued a warning; second offense either a citation or a warning; third time people are issued a citation.

The Board asked Student Resource Officer Gretchen Stock-Bell if she believes that the ordinance is working. Gretchen stated that the ordinance is supportive and the opportunity to talk to the kids about it has been helpful. She stated that she wished the Roaring Fork School District administration would give her more administrative support.

Trustee Silverstein asked what was the attitude of the vendors who failed the compliance check? They were disappointed.

Risa Turetsky, Pitkin County Tobacco Specialist, told the Board that the State has education materials for retailers.

Trustee Kitching informed the Board that the Carbondale educators are thankful for the changes that have been made in town. Also, she noted that the State is looking to increase regulations for purchasing vaping products on the Internet.

Jay stated that usage among students is rampant and the State has lowered access to the Help Hot Line to 12 years of age. There are not a lot of tools available to help kids quit Nicotine.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/COVENTURE**

Mayor Richardson explained that Michael Lowe approached him about an idea for a business incubator focused on creating a co-working space. It would provide its members with networking, collaboration, education, mentoring and community problem solving opportunities. Mayor Richardson stated he thought the idea had merit so he brought it to the Board for consideration. Mayor Richardson noted that one of the Board’s goals for 2018 is supporting economic development. He stated that it is a unique concept because it involves a public/private partnership.

Tyler Moebius and Michael Lowe gave a presentation on the Coventure proposal. Michael stated that it is extremely important for Carbondale to be a primary partner. They are asking the Town for a $25,000 contribution.
Mayor Richardson opened the meeting to public comment.

Kelsey Nichols, recently joined the Coventure Board of Directors. She stated that there is a lot of synergy to support businesses without changing the character of the Town. She noted that this is an opportunity for the Chamber, Town and other community members to support businesses. It provides opportunities for young people so they don’t have to leave town.

Dave Meyer, Coventure Board Member, and one of the founders of Aspen Entrepreneur, stated that this idea is a community builder, a mentor. It’s about economic diversity, resiliency, and it offers a unique opportunity to address economic development. It’s about helping the digital nomads and supporting locals. They are not trying to change Carbondale.

Eaden Shantay, owner of True Nature, stated that he supports the initiative. It’s a wonderful opportunity to bring vitality and entrepreneurship to town. Lots of people will benefit from the organization’s resources. Owning a business in Carbondale is challenging. He supports anything we can do to welcome fresh talent to town.

Gavin Dahl, stated that he spoke to two people who benefited from this organization and they said it was life changing. Gavin stated that he is concerned with the process. Non-profits are required to provide their budgets when they apply every year for a community grant. This seems like a different process and he asked why didn’t they have to apply for a community grant? Mayor Richardson responded that the proposal is different, community grants are for non-profits already in business. One of the Boards top goals is economic development and he believes that this project is fantastic. It’s an opportunity that falls out of the grant process. It is important to have resources in the valley – the business environment is changing.

Trustee Sparhawk stated that this is the biggest request that we have received; it’s more than we give any other entity. She wants to see written comments for funds. She is not willing to give them the full amount tonight.

Trustee Silverstein stated that he is not comfortable with the full ask of $25,000. Our budget is not that robust; he wants more information.

Trustee Yllanes stated that he supports giving them $25,000. He commented that we give money to GCE.

Trustee Kitching stated that she is leery that they had to re-invent themselves in one year. They were GlenX and now they are Covenutre – it sends a red flag.

The Board agreed to keep $25,000 in the Economic Development Fund. The Board has a lot more questions for Coventure.
PUBLIC HEARING - MODIFICATION OF PREMISES – SENOR TACO SHOW

Staff explained that Senor Taco Show would like to expand in to the adjacent space.

Mayor Richardson opened the meeting to public comment. There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

Trustee Yllanes made a motion to approve Senor Taco Show’s Modification of Premises application. Trustee Silverstein seconded the motion and it passed with:

6 yes votes: Silverstein, Richardson, Bohmfalk, Kitching, Yllanes, Sparhawk

WASTE HAULING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Laurie Batchelder-Adams presented the most recent draft of the Waste Hauling Request for Proposal (RFP). A few minor changes were made and the Board directed staff to advertise the RFP in January.

COMMUNITY REQUESTS

Mayor Richardson and Trustee Bohmfalk recused themselves due to a conflict of interest and left the meeting.

The Trustees had previously submitted their community request allocations to Renae. No changes were made. Jay noted that it’s probable that YouthZone will have to be partially funded from the VALE Fund.

ADJOURNMENT

The November 13, 2018, regular meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on November 27, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED

Dan Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cathy Derby, Town Clerk

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