December 2, 2010

Meeting began at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Sue Inman, Gladys LeFevre, Dennis Bertucci, Council Members; Judi Davis, Clerk.

Absent: Randy Ripplinger, Council Member.

Public Present: Ashley Coombs, Jack Pollock, Don Montoya, Mike Nelson, Alyssa Thompson.

Pledge of allegiance

Gladys made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 4 and December 12 meetings. Sue seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Gladys made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 23 workshop. Dennis seconded the motion. Voting in favor were Bill, Gladys, and Dennis. Sue abstained because she was not at the workshop.

The Council decided to hold all the meetings in 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

The 4th of July celebration was discussed. The building will be under construction, so we probably won't be able to have it on this property. Three possibilities were proposed: Anasazi State Park, the pavilion at the church, and the Boulder Mountain Lodge property. Mike offered the State Park as a possibility. Because of the kitchen facility, it seems best to have the dinner at the church pavilion, and the dance could be held in the parking lot at the Park. We will hold the celebration on Saturday, July 2, and will do more checking to determine the location. If the time gets close and we can see that this lot is available, we could still have it here.

Someone turned up the irrigation water in the ditch, but it has now been turned down. Sue has talked to Donna Jean about the problems the water/ice has caused to the roads, but couldn't reach Sam. Loch will be here Saturday and will work on the ice problems. (Mary Jane Coombs came.)

EMT funding was discussed. The "County" as such does not fund the EMT's. There is a separate budget for that program, of which Gladys brought a copy. Their budget is \$400,000, of which none is set aside for training. Gladys thinks we should ask the County if the ambulance people can't find funding within that budget for training. Alyssa reported that the cost will be \$750 each for meals, lodging, and mileage plus the \$400 part of the tuition/books fee which the County won't pay. Perhaps we should write a

letter to the County stating our belief that, with a budget that size, they should be able to find money to help with training. The people in Panguitch and Bryce Valley live close to the training and close to the hospital, but we are some distance away, and our people have to stay over there for lodging during training, and the runs from here are the longest of anyone in the county, so our EMT's volunteer the greatest amount of their time when they are called out.

Dennis offered to go door-to-door if needed asking for contributions to help fund the program. No one person knows when he might need the service. Judi reported that there is a very small fund for emergency services on the town books that a few people donate to each year. It could be tapped to pay some of the expenses, and donations could be added to it. Gladys feels that if the Town funds the training, the person receiving it needs to sign a two-year agreement to serve and be required to repay the cost if they fail to meet that commitment. We agreed to reimburse Don for his out-of-pocket expenses, which he will pay up front, but Alyssa can't take the course without help. She will need the \$750. Someone has offered to pay the \$400 for her, but Don will need the \$400 plus the \$750 in travel expenses. If a student doesn't pass the course, the County won't reimburse the \$400 of those who pay their own tuition.

It was proposed that the County might consider setting up some kind of a self-insurance program that people could participate in which would cover the costs of ambulance/life flight service. Gladys made a motion we pay \$750 each to EMT's A and B for expenses and training. Sue seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Don will pay his up front and we will reimburse him.

Sue reported on the roads and landfill. Farlan has dug a new construction pit at the landfill. The County hasn't hauled off the storage items but are aware that it needs to be done. She reported that it appears that all our street signs will have to be replaced with some that have a high-intensity reflective surface because of a federal law. They also have to be larger signs. Replacement would cost \$80-100/sign. We need to have a plan of how we will do it and implement it by 2012. There was some question as to the validity of the information, and Sue will do further research. She would like street identification signs for emergency services purposes. We do have three stop signs that have to be replaced because they are deficient. We need to decide, now that the willows are out, whether we need stop, yield, or any signs on the B Street and Second East turns. The willows by Mark Nelson's corner need to be taken out. Sue has a volunteer (Jonathan LeFevre) to trim the Lower Boulder willows. Garkane has trimmed the dead branches from the large, overhanging Lower Boulder trees. Sue will do more research on the sign issue.

Bill will vote our Irrigation Company proxy.

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Mike Nelson would like to amend his business license to also sell home made pottery, which the Council approved. Alyssa reported on her business license application which has been pending since early this year. She is still waiting for the Department of Agriculture to inspect her cottage kitchen business. They have a big backlog of inspections to do since this is a new program. All the other requirements have been met.

Dennis made a motion the meeting adjourn. Gladys seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk