



MINUTES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

December 14, 2023

1. Call to order:

The virtual meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams.

2. Roll Call:

The following Trustees were present via Microsoft Teams: Mayor Jones, and Trustee Farreau. Trustee Goddard was not present for roll call but joined the meeting via Microsoft Teams at 6:32 pm.

The following Trustees were present in person: Trustee Thompson, Trustee Cockrell, Trustee Herold, and Trustee Schultz.

A quorum was present.

3. Audience Participation

Tom Cox of 7427 S. Richfield voiced concerns about the effects of steel snowplow blades on the roads.

4. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2023
- b. Financial Reports – October 2023

Mayor Jones moved to approve the Consent Agenda, with a second from Trustee Herold. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

5. For Discussion

a. Mayor Jones, as presiding officer, moved to reorder the agenda and open the discussion on snowplow blades ahead of the public hearing.

b. Bill Winfield, of Terracare, presented multiple options for consideration. First, the current steel blades may be flexed to allow more snow and thus more surface area. The potential change will be tested as snowfall allows. Second, a switch to rubber blades. Mr. Winfield noted that the rubber blades cost three times as much as the current steel blade and have a limited-service life of three to four snow events. Additionally, snow removal and safety results should be considered. Rubber blades do not clear as much snow from the road; therefore, the remaining snow on the ground creates a very smooth and slick surface. As a result, more salt treatment will be needed. The extra salt treatment damages landscapes over time.

Mr. Tom Cox spoke to two suppliers who both indicated that polyurethane blades last longer than rubber blades. Conversely, Terracare's three suppliers all indicated that the polyurethane blade had a poor service life and high cost and therefore they do not carry those blades.

Lastly, Trustee Thompson spoke with representatives of another Towns Public Works department. Their department assessed traffic, snow, safety, and liability and ultimately decided to only use steel blades.

6. Public Hearing: 2024 Proposed Budget

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing at 7:00 pm. After receiving no comments, the hearing was closed at 7:01 pm.

- a. Mayor Jones moved to approve the 2024 Proposed Town of Foxfield Budget, with a second from Trustee Schultz. The motions passed unanimously.

7. For Possible Action

- a. Resolution 2023-08 Adopting a Budget and Authorizing Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024

Mayor Jones moved to approve Resolution 2023-08 Adopting a Budget and Authorizing Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024, with a second from Trustee Thompson. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

- b. Approval of the 2024 Agreement for Law Enforcement Services

Mayor Jones moved to approve the 2024 Agreement for Law Enforcement Services, with a second from Trustee Thompson. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

8. Reports

- a. Mayor's Report

- i. No report

- b. Members of the Town Board

- ii. Trustee Farreau noted there has been only one gate violation in the last three weeks.

- iii. Trustee Cockrell reported Arapahoe County transportation executive committee recently reallocated unused funds to other projects.

- c. Staff

- i. Ms. Proctor indicated that the gate committee is meeting to discuss the All-Metro proposal and will communicate questions and changes to All Metro. SEH also provided a preliminary culvert inspection report and are working on some changes to a final report.

- ii. Mrs. Schmitz reported that she is preparing for the 2024 election and will be posting nominations packets in the near future. The nomination period will run from January 2, 2024, to January 22, 2024. Mrs. Schmitz also reported that more email servers are blocking town wide emails.

9. Future Agenda Items

- a. Tunnel and sidewalk repairs
- b. MHFD follow-up
- c. Code Enforcement
- d. Culvert Assessment results

10. Adjournment

Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.



Kathleen Schmitz, Town Clerk



Lisa Jones, Town Mayor