

**TOWN OF CRESTONE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2016 AT 1:00 PM  
TOWN HALL, 108 W. GALENA AVE., CRESTONE, CO**

**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.
2. **Roll Call** – Present were Trustees Diane Bairstow, Terry Goergen, and Kizzen Laki. Trustees John Grotenhuis, Adam Kinney, and Mark Talbot were absent without notice. Mayor Kairina Danforth, present and presiding, declared a quorum present.
3. **Approval of Agenda** - *Trustee Bairstow moved and Trustee Laki seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The vote of the Trustees present was unanimously in favor, and Mayor Danforth declared the motion passed.*
4. **Mini Grant Application- Downtown Beautification.** Mayor Danforth presented issues regarding changing the grant funds use from Tract 1 Master Plan to use for landscaping in the downtown commercial district. The original grant must be formally withdrawn and rewritten to request funding for downtown landscaping. Trustee Bairstow offered to help Mayor Danforth complete the submission by the due date of July 8, 2016. The Board agreed to involve the greater community with planting and tree donations and the need to keep documentation of receipts for values of all donated plants. Mayor Danforth stated that there is a \$5,000 match required by the Town and suggested asking for in-kind donations and cash and placing donation canisters around Town. The Board felt they could find plenty of volunteers for this fundraising. *Trustee Bairstow moved and Trustee Goergen seconded to approve resubmitting the Saguache County matching mini grant for \$5000.00 to use for downtown landscaping. The vote of the Trustees present was unanimously in favor, and Mayor Danforth declared the motion carried.*
5. **Letter of Appreciation for William Martino** – Trustee Bairstow requested that the Town write a letter of appreciation to the Baca Fire Department for their contribution during the Fourth of July celebration. Both letters will be signed by the Board members at the July regular meeting.
6. **Citizens' Comments** – Benjamin Byer apologized for the fires on his properties and stated they would not continue unless approved. The Mayor explained that Jim Vanderpool had misinformed the Byers regarding the ordinance. Trustee Laki mentioned fires were permissible in a metal container covered with a screen. No trash, plastics, or tires were allowed. Trustee Laki also discussed the situation with too many horses in low density residential areas where horses are not allowed even with conditional use permission. At the time of implementing the zoning code, Shawn Homer already had mules. Due to various problems horses bring to a neighborhood, including manure, they were not legally allowed. Trustee Laki informed the other Board members about using two yards of the town's stockpiled road base, which costs approximately \$12.00 per cubic yard. The Board agreed to overlook the charge.
7. **Town Hall Sign** – Tabled until the regular Board meeting on July 11, 2016.
8. **Adjourn** – Trustee Goergen moved and Trustee Laki seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:48 pm.

  
Allyson Ransom, Clerk

  
Kairina Danforth, Mayor