

**TOWN OF CRESTONE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2016 AT 5:00 PM  
TOWN HALL, 108 W. GALENA AVE., CRESTONE, CO**

**MINUTES**


1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 5:13 pm.
2. **Roll Call** – Trustees Diane Bairstow, Benjamin Byer, and Kizzen Laki were present. Trustees Adam Kinney, John Grotenhuis and Terry Goergen were absent with notice. Mayor Kairina Danforth, present and presiding, declared a quorum present. Also present were Attorney Gene Farish, Town Clerk Allyson Ransom, and Building Inspector Charles Sommers.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – *Trustee Laki moved and Trustee Bairstow seconded to approve the agenda as presented. The vote of the trustees present was unanimously in favor, and Mayor Danforth declared the motion carried.*
4. **Previous Agenda Items Tabled from Regular Meeting September 12, 2016**
  - A. **Adli Building** –Attorney Farish reviewed each section of the Adli Attorney’s letter, taking recommendations for responses from the Board and Building Inspector Sommers for drafting a response letter. Many issues with the building were addressed, such as, parking and basement issues, structural integrity, its severe fire hazard and lack of fire suppression system, flooding in basement, property line questions, exterior shotcrete having already been approved as a lighter weight exterior material by general contractor Joe Campo, and possible encroachment onto neighbors land. It was noted that the unfinished building has been an ongoing issue; previously, Attorney Dawes was involved in 2014. The clerk was requested to send a time line and minutes to Attorney Farish and notes collected from Inspector Sommers and if possible Trustee Kinney, who had worked on the building. Attorney Farish stated he would write a response letter immediately but must answer the letter based on previous allowances with building permits as there were and still are no codes in place.
  - B. **Master Planning Trail Grant Proposal** –Burt Wadman explained the goal of developing a Master plan and how it all would interconnect by laying out the information criteria and signage system. Planning will include a survey, team meetings and public meetings to determine the best location for the trail that will ultimately connect to other trails beyond the town limits. Mayor Danforth explained that \$8000.00 in funding is already available, and that the Town would only need to cover \$2000.00 of the total \$10,000.00 needed.


***Trustee Bairstow moved and Trustee Laki seconded to enter into a contract with Burt Wadman for \$10,000.00 for the purpose of Planning and design for a trail system in the Town of Crestone. The vote of the trustees present was unanimously in favor, and Mayor Danforth declared the motion carried***

- C. **Letter to SLVREC** – Several area residents spoke out on the need to stop Smart meters due to health and safety concerns and continued to ask the Town for help. Attorney Farish stressed that the Town never entered into a franchise agreement with the company and cannot legally dictate to whom they may and may not provide services as this would be considered “tortious interference of contracts.” Instead of Clerk Ransom sending a letter as previously requested at the September regular meeting, Attorney Farish will draft a letter to SLV Electric Company and stress the Town’s justifiable concerns regarding fire hazard dangers, especially unique to the Town of Crestone, in its geographically isolated location with only one route in and out of town. Attorney Farish requested a teleconference meeting between himself, the mayor, clerk and one Trustee with Cirsa to determine Town liability of having Smart Meters installed or conversely of denying them in town. The Clerk was asked to setup the phone meeting for Friday September 23, 2016.

**9. Citizens’ Comments-** There were none.

**10. Adjourn - Trustee Laki moved and Trustee Bairstow seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm. The vote of the trustees present was unanimously in favor, and Mayor Danforth declared the motion carried.**

  
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Allyson Ransom, Clerk

  
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Kairina Danforth, Mayor