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**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2014  
Town Hall Council Chambers  
551 Hot Springs Blvd  
5:00 p.m.**

- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** - Mayor Aragon, Council Member Alley, Council Member Bunning, Council Member Cotton, Council Member Lattin, Council Member Schanzenbaker, Council Member Volger
- II. **APPROVAL of MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 23, 2014** – The minutes were approved as read.
- III. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – None
- IV. **LIQUOR LICENSE**
  1. **Liquor License Renewal – Marilyn Dach dba Silver Dollar Liquor Store at 300 E Hwy 160** – Council Member Lattin moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Marilyn Dach dba Silver Dollar Liquor Store at 300 E Hwy 160, Council Member Volger seconded, unanimously approved.
  2. **Special Events Liquor Permit – Pagosa Springs Chamber of Commerce Chilly Bowl Fundraiser February 14, 2014 at the Ross Aragon Community Center**
  3. **Special Events Liquor Permit – Pagosa Springs Community Facilities Coalition Bluegrass Concert March 7, 2014 at the Ross Aragon Community Center** – Council Member Volger moved to approve the special events liquor permits for Pagosa Springs Chamber of Commerce Chilly Bowl Fundraiser and Pagosa Springs Community Facilities Coalition Bluegrass Concert, Council Member Bunning seconded, unanimously approved.
- V. **NEW BUSINESS**
  1. **Presentation to Bob Hart** – Jennie Green, Tourism Director, explained Bob Hart has provided an incredible service to the community through his role and involvement as the Chairman of Town Tourism Committee. He has been a perpetual volunteer, from his efforts assisting the town with the addition of river features, organizing work days to clear the sledding and snowboarding runs on Reservoir Hill, providing snowmobiles, construction equipment and anything else needed to help a project be successful, to providing leadership and motivation to drive results through the Town Tourism Committee. The Town Council presented Mr. Hart with a plaque recognizing his work and dedication to the Town and TTC. Mr. Hart said the TTC are a great group of very hard working people and how fortunate the town is to have Jennie Green as the Tourism Director. Council Member Bunning moved to commend Mr. Bob Hart for his outstanding volunteer efforts in promoting Pagosa Springs to area visitors, Council Member Volger seconded, unanimously approved.
- VI. **OLD BUSINESS**
  1. **Ordinance 801, Second Reading, Calling for Regular Election of Mayor and Three District Council Members** - Ordinance 801 calls for the regular election to be held on Tuesday April 8, 2014. The Town Council has seats open for the Mayor and the three council district seats. The

Ordinance specifies that the ballots will be mailed to each of the registered voters. Due to the changes at the State level, the Permanent Mail-in Voter (PMIV) list is no longer maintained and therefore unavailable to the Clerk in order to mail the ballots to the list of voters. So that we do not miss a voter expecting their ballot in the mail or a voter that assumes due to the changes to the State they will receive their ballot by mail, we have determined that mailing the ballots to the current voter list is prudent. The Town Hall will be designated as the polling place and voters may drop their ballot at town hall, ask for a new ballot, and vote if they haven't voted at town hall. The Town Clerk will be the designated election official for the 2014 election. Council Member Lattin moved to approve Ordinance 801 on second reading, an Ordinance calling the 2014 Town of Pagosa Springs regular election to be held on April 8, 2014 as a polling place election, Council Member Bunning seconded, unanimously approved.

2. **Ordinance 802, Second Reading, Charter Amendment Regarding Municipal Court Jurisdiction** - Ordinance 802 allows the Municipal Court to have all jurisdiction under the Charter. Council Member Bunning moved to approve Ordinance 802 on second reading, an Ordinance submitting to the Registered Electors of the Town of Pagosa Springs the question of amending Article 6, Section 6.2 of the Home Rule Charter of the Town of Pagosa Springs regarding the powers of the Town of Pagosa Springs Municipal Court, Council Member Volger seconded, unanimously approved.
3. **Ordinance 803, Second Reading, Charter Amendment Regarding Mayor and Council Member Compensation** - Ordinance 803 is before council due to a citizen initiated petition that was deemed sufficient by the Town Clerk. The Ordinance provides the ballot language for the question to change the charter to allow the Mayor and Council members to be paid for their service. According to the change, the Mayor would receive \$300 per month and Council Member \$200 per month for their service to the Town. Council Member Lattin moved to approve Ordinance 803 on second reading, an ordinance submitting to the registered electors of the Town of Pagosa Springs the question of amending Article 2, Section 2.1 of the Home Rule Charter of the Town of Pagosa Springs to provide for compensation for the Mayor and other Members of Town Council, Council Member Bunning seconded, motion carried with two nays (Council Member Cotton and Mayor Aragon).
4. **Ordinance 804, Second Reading, Recreation Center Debt Authorization and Sales Tax Increase** - Council agreed to put the question of a 1% sales tax increase for a Recreation Center on the April ballot. The Town Council approved the first reading of Ordinance 804 at the January 23, 2014 meeting with the 10% version language in the ballot title. Council Member Cotton asked about an additional \$1.7 million for reserves in the bond documents. He believes the \$1.7 million is on top of the \$18 million loan. He said the ballot language is misleading. Council Member Bunning said he understood the 10% reserve is taken from the \$18 million dollar loan. Town Manager Mitchem said the lending agency would couch the funds as \$18 million plus a \$1.7 million dollar reserve. Council Member Lattin said the reserve is to be used in case the town needs it to pay the payment. Town Manager Mitchem suggested changing the ballot language to read "not to exceed \$19,800,000 and in parentheses (including 10% reserve)" to allow for clarification. Council Member Schanzenbaker would like clarification from Town Attorney Cole as to the changing of the \$18 million is correct. Town Clerk Hessman spoke with Town Attorney Cole and explained the ballot language is correct at \$18 million. She said according to Attorney Cole, the reserves for the higher rating would come from the selling of the bonds which may reduce the amount of construction to \$16.2 million. Mr. Bill Hudson said Gilpin County has a similar recreation center and is subsidizing the center over \$600,000 per year; he is interested in seeing the details of the study. Council Member Lattin moved to approve Ordinance 804 on second reading, an ordinance of the Town of Pagosa Springs submitting to the registered electors voting in the regular municipal election to be held April 8, 2014, a ballot issue concerning the imposition of a town-wide sales tax imposed on the sale of tangible personal property at retail and the furnishing of services to be deposited into a town recreation center fund and used solely for the purpose of constructing, improving, equipping, operating and maintaining a community recreation center and providing for the repayment of revenue bonds issued for such purposes; to provide for the submission of the ordinance for approval at the general municipal election; and to amend the Pagosa Springs Municipal Code, Council Member Schanzenbaker seconded, motion carried with two nays (Council Member Cotton and Mayor Aragon).

**VIII. NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 20, 2014 AT 12:00PM**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT** – Upon motion duly made, the meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.

**Ross Aragón**  
**Mayor**