



Town Hall 551 Hot Springs Blvd
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

MINUTES

Town Council Meeting
January 7, 2025 @ 5:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Pagosa Town Council was called to order on January 7, 2025, at 5:00 PM in the Town Hall 551 Hot Springs Blvd.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Pierce, Council Member Bergon, Council Member DeGuise, Council Member Lindner, Council Member Martinez, and Council Member Williams

COUNCIL ABSENT: Council Member deGraaf

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. DISCLOSURES AND/OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Mayor Pierce recused herself from the consent agenda and left the room during this section. Mayor Pro-tem DeGuise stepped in during the consent agenda.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Eddie Archuleta said the jake brake use on Hwy 160 continues to be an issue. He said the State would put up a bigger sign regarding jake brake, but then the Town officers would have to enforce the rules. He said the speed bumps on San Juan Alley are still requested. Town Manager Harris said he will talk with the State person and a speed hump is considered but not until this spring.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the December 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes**
- 2. HomesFund Community Center Fee Waiver Request for 2025**
- 3. CBI Persons Who Wander Grant Program Approval**
- 4. Police Officer Life Saving Award**

Council Member Bergon moved to approve the consent agenda, Council Member Martinez seconded.

Carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Early Childcare and Education 2025 Funding Discussion**

The 2025 budget includes \$88,000 for early childcare and education (ECE). This figure includes funding for daycare centers, in-home daycares and other needs related to this goal. March 18th is the application deadline. Council Member Lindner said the past deliberation has not been objective and it is difficult to determine the amount for each applicant. He suggests a criteria for adding slots for underserved demographics. Council Member Williams said expanding ECE is most important and the other criteria are not. A category for the number of slots that are subsidized would allow to discover the demographics served.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. **La Plata Electric Association Sub-Station Property Request regarding a portion of Town-owned property located at 2140 County Road 500 (Trujillo Rd) with Possible Executive Session per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a) concerning the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real property interest.**

This item is postponed to a future meeting.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

X. MAYOR, COUNCIL, TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS/UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS – Council Member DeGuise said the Town Manager should look into Amazon parcel boxes to take pressure off the post office. These could be set up outside in the town hall parking lot.

XI. UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS –

- January 21, 2025: Regular Council Meeting
- February 4, 2025: Regular Council Meeting
- February 18, 2025: Regular Council Meeting
- March 4, 2025: Regular Council Meeting

XII. ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Pierce adjourned the meeting at 5:32 pm.

Shari Pierce
Mayor