

**Minutes**  
**Town Board Special Meeting**  
**Town of Paonia, Colorado**  
**October 24, 2017**

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

The Special Meeting of the Town Board of Trustees held Tuesday, October 24, 2017 was called to order at 5:00 PM by Mayor Charles Stewart, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustees present were as follows:

Charles Stewart  
Bill Bear  
Chelsea Bookout  
David Bradford  
Karen Budinger  
Barry Pennell  
Suzanne Watson in at 5:15PM

Town Staff present were as follows:

Administrator Ken Knight  
Clerk Corinne Ferguson  
Finance Officer Cindy Jones  
Chief Neil Ferguson  
Public Works director Travis Loberg  
Treasurer Ross King

A quorum was present and Mayor Stewart proceeded with the meeting.

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Trustee Bear, supported by Trustee Pennell to approve the agenda as presented.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business**

The special meeting was scheduled for discussion and to provide staff direction regarding the proposed 2018 budget, specific to the fee schedule, the potential for a sales tax ballot measure in 2018, and the Town Attorney opinion regarding the current sales tax allocations.

Discussion ensued regarding the potential addition of fees, including licensing/registering bicycles with the Police Department. Increasing large park event fees, and dog registration fees.

Motion by Trustee Bradford, supported by Trustee Pennell to have the Governmental Affairs Committee investigate a bicycle registration fee and make a recommendation to the board.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Budinger, supported by Trustee Bookout to have the staff identify costs associated with large park events. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Trustee Budinger, supported by Trustee Bear to set the returned payment charge to the state requirement. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued regarding building permit and renewal fees.

Motion by Trustee Watson, supported by Trustee Pennell to have the Town Attorney investigate when the building permit fee schedule was adopted.

Motion to amend by Trustee Bradford, supported by Trustee Budinger to have staff investigate

when the building permit fee schedule was adopted. Motion carried unanimously. Main amended motion carried unanimously.

Town Attorney Bo Nerlin provided a legal opinion regarding the current sales tax allocation. At this time nothing has been located to indicate an incorrect allocation of sales tax funds.

Motion by Trustee Bradford, supported by Trustee Bear to instruct town staff and Town Attorney Nerlin to continue to investigate the 1977 sales tax ballot question. Motion carried unanimously.

Areas were identified regarding the potential 2018 Sales Tax ballot question. The regular election is scheduled for April 6, 2018. The ordinance would need approved no later than January, identifying the proposed sales tax language.

Motion by Trustee Bradford, supported by Trustee Bear to consider including a sales tax increase on the ballot for the regular municipal election, April 6, 2018.

Motion to amend by Trustee Bear, supported by Trustee Watson to have finance and staff determine the proposed increase amount and allocation. Motion carried unanimously. Main amended motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Trustee Bradford, supported by Trustee Pennell. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Stewart adjourned the meeting at 6:25PM

\_\_\_\_s/s\_\_\_\_\_  
J. Corinne Ferguson, Town Clerk

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Charles Stewart, Mayor