

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Regular Meeting of the Meeker Town Board was held Thursday, September 3, 2020 at Town Hall.

Members Present	Mayor Trustees	Borchard Creecy Day Gutierrez Kindall Nielsen (attended by phone)
Town Staff Present	Administrator Attorney Town Clerk Admin Assistant	Cook Massih (attended by phone) Tupy Pakuer

Citizens Present: Gates, Ty; Cook, Mike; Edinger, Wyatt and Suzanne; Baker, Emma.
Attendance by phone: Rangely Town Counsel; Piering, Lisa; RBC County Commissioners; Star, Todd; Edwards, Vicky; Morlan, Deb.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Borchard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

All Board members were present with the exception of Trustee Turner; Trustee Creecy joined the meeting at 7:10pm.

Mayor Shaffer noted the Town of Rangely held their meeting at 6:00pm.

RBC Attorney Star stated they prepared a ballot resolution and an Inter-Governmental agreement (IGA) for the three entities to discuss, he stated the two towns are at opposite ends of the spectrum on the percentage of tax split and will have to come to an agreement.

Mayor Shaffer reported after a long discussion at Rangely's Town Council they unanimously voted no on the issue, they feel this came up too quick, the County Commissioners have not defined where their budget cutbacks are going to be and they would like to talk to their constituents before moving forward.

There was a brief discussion regarding if the Town of Meeker and Rio Blanco County could put the sales tax increase on the ballot without Rangely's approval, Sales & Use Tax Specialist Deb Morlan did not believe it would be possible; Attorney Star felt it was possible; Commissioner Rector stated that everybody needs to be on the same page and take the sales tax increase back to the voters in 2021; Sheriff Mazzola supported that and stated we all need to take a step back and make a much wiser decision for the people and let them vote on it; Mayor Shaffer stated Rangely's council agreed with Sheriff Mazzola; Mayor Borchard questioned Commissioner Rector asking if we, the Town of Meeker, can take what he said to mean that you will fully fund the Rio Blanco Communications Center for 2021, Mr. Rector stated everything is on the table and they will be asking for the Town's support, Mayor Borchard stated as long as your comment means that you will submit this to the voters in 2021 and you will not close RBC Dispatch the Town will support it; Trustee Day added that the Board of Trustees would like a say on this in the future.

Commissioner Rector adjourned their meeting at 7:31pm

The Board of Trustees had an informal discussion on moving forward with this matter.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Borchard adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.



Kent A. Borchard, Mayor

Attest:



Amy Tupy, Town Clerk