

## WOODY CREEK CAUCUS MINUTES

27 JUNE 2019

The meeting was called to order by Bill Dinsmoor at 6:30. Those present were: Cathy Jandegian, Donna Gardner, Donna Harper, Jan Schoeberlein, Linda Waag, Nancy Mackenzie, Judy Royer, Julie Wyckoff, Wayne Etheridge, Ellen Anderson, Conor Goodson, Valerie MacDonald, Ben Hancock, Carl Damerau, Eme Cole, Scott Stew, Daniel Delano, Bob Vhrin, Robert Stevenson, Stuart Lusk, Julie Mandt, Tyler Lyndsay, Rob Pew, Bill Dinsmoor.

The minutes from the May meeting were dispensed with.

**Bike Race:** July 13 along Rio Grande – Bikes to be given to somewhere in Africa afterwards.

**Gas Line:** It was decided by the BOCC that the Black Hills Gas Line will continue to follow path that it is on despite all our pleas.

**Lower River Road:** At the old Dart property there has been a lot of disruption due to earth moving and new horse activity at the red brick house. Complaints of trailers and trucks on the edge of the road, dogs running across the road, horses being shod right in front of the red house at the edge of the road, rather than in a paddock, and of horses left on the road and in trailers unattended were brought to the attention of the sheriff and a BOCC member and to the caucus. The neighbors' who complained were worried about a potential accident with animals or even people at that blind curve where often drivers speed by too quickly. All concerned would like a resolution and a clean up at that corner. Ben Hancock, the manager of the property, spoke to the caucus and concerned neighbors and assured everyone that steps

were being taken to alleviate the problems (907-301-2655). Bill Dinsmoor suggested a blinking light at the curve to warn drivers to slow down and will make the suggestion to Joe De Salvo.

### **SOLAR FARM:**

With the understanding that most people support alternative forms of energy, Bill Dinsmoor suggested that the caucus could take a stand offering to the county an alternate option to the site chosen at the Sanitation District below W/J and cited the now defunct dump area that has the right acreage (35 acres) and is out of sight with little or no impact on most people. Both Wayne Etheridge, for W/J Homeowners and Stuart Lusk, for Brush Creek Homeowners Association, spoke on behalf of their groups with emphatic reasoning to NOT have the Solar Farm at the proposed site. Conor Goodson of RES, the company that is proposed to install the solar farm, tried to argue some of the points.

After much discussion Cathy Jandegian made a motion that the caucus support a solar farm on the site of the old dump but not at the Sanitation District site below W/J. The vote yielded: 14 IN FAVOR – 3 OPPOSED

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Valerie MacDonald, County Emergency Manager, supports emergency preparedness along with the county management team along with 15 support teams. Valerie said she does not believe that we are due for a flood but there could be multiple peaks and perhaps high water next week. She recommended that all residents sign up for Pitkin County Alert as that is the best way to know and be alerted to disasters and to prepare. Suggestions she mentioned: know your evacuation routes; have an emergency kit at the ready and organized; have an

evacuation plan organized especially if livestock is involved; have cash on hand; use fireproof mesh screen on openings such as chimneys to prevent burning embers from entering a house; clear brush around house and read material prepared by fire department. Fire department will come to one's house and offer suggestions.

### **AIRPORT:**

Wayne Etheridge mentioned that perhaps the vision for the airport is just too broad and needs to be of smaller focus. There was discussion and Cathy Jandegian made a motion suggesting that a new terminal for better guest experiences be built, independent of a wider runway, using independent funds as well as airport revenues. The motion was seconded by Nancy Mackenzie. The vote yielded a unanimous approval.

### **OTHER ISSUES:**

Ellen Anderson: Ellen mentioned that she found a company to do a study of the air quality around the airport and forwarded all the information on to Greg Poschman, member of BOCC. It is hoped he will follow through with her information.

G. R. Fielding: Can the brush be cleared at the corner of Upper River Road and Smith Way? Bill will follow through.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10.