**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**TOWN OF WESTCLIFFE**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025**

**REGULAR MEETING**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Wenke called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

**The following members were present:** Mayor Wenke**,** Mr. Dembosky, Mr. Jagow, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Nordyke, Ms. Patterson, and Mr. Wilhelm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Wenke led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Neal Marrs, Erin Christie, Melane Rella, Jerry Peters, Charlene Leopold, Chris Medina, Pam & Bob Wolf, Debi & John Van Doren, Deb Adams, Shaun Austin, Eric Messick, Bianca Trenker, Tammy Patterson, Kevin Coates (Zoom), Alex Phillips (Zoom), Dan Findlay (Zoom), Charlene Leopold, and Anita Gragg (Zoom).

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

**REVENUE RECEIVED BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS**

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| **General Fund Checking:** | $ | 205,910.10 |  | $ | 358,541.82 |
| CSafe-GF Core 11: | $ | 1,037.90 |  | $ | 276,581.16 |
| CSafe-3% Tabor Reserve 13: | $ | 274.62 |  | $ | 73,162.00 |
| CSafe-General Fund Reserve-14 | $ | 1,691.28 |  | $ | 450,737.42 |
| CSafe-Tennis Ct.-Core-16 | $ | 82.52 |  | $ | 21,957.10 |
| **Tennis Court Checking:** | $ | 0.00 |  | $ | 5,219.32 |
| **Municipal Court Checking:** | $ | 0.00 |  | $ | 3,607.70 |
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| **Conservation Trust Fund Checking:** | $ | 0.73 |  | $ | 17,297.15 |
| CSafe-CF Core 15 | $ | 173.16 |  | $ | 46,104.98 |
| **Capital Fund Checking:** | $ | 89,655.72 |  | $ | 653,148.79 |
| CSafe-CF Core 12: | $ | 3,966.54 |  | $ | 1,057,131.62 |

**EXPENDITURES**

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| **GENERAL FUND:** | **$** | 104,488.66 |
| **MUNICIPAL COURT:** | **$** | 0.00 |
| **TENNIS COURT:** | **$** | 0.00 |
| **CONSERVATION TRUST FUND:** | **$** | 0.00 |
| **CAPITAL FUND:** | **$** | 6,920.00 |

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of minutes
2. Treasurer’s Report
3. Approval of Bills

**ACTION: Mr. Wilhelm** moved, and **Mr. Fulton** seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Consideration of a request to approve a modification of premises at the Alta Convenience Store.**

Mayor Wenke verified with Town Attorney Findlay that the application met state authority requirements, and he confirmed that it did.

**ACTION: Mr. Jagow** moved, and **Mr. Wilhelm** seconded to approve a modification of premises at the Alta Convenience Store. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a.**  **Tourism Board report.**

Mr. Van Doren reported that they are implementing a full-season marketing plan for the Town to attract tourists all year round. They were awarded a grant from the State Tourism Office to help with marketing. The plan consists of marketing to full-time residents, second homeowners, and those seeking weekend getaways. They want to make the Town attractive for winter tourism. At the September BOT meeting, they will have a budget plan to address how they want the Town to assist.

**b. Consideration of a request to approve Resolution 2-2025, to amend the Town Policy Handbook to add a distracted driver clause.**

Ms. Christie reported that the Town’s liability company, CIRSA, recommended that the Policy Handbook reflect the new State House Bill hands-free driving law.

**ACTION: Ms. Fulton** moved, and **Mr. Jagow** seconded to approve Resolution 2-2025, to amend the Town Policy Handbook to add a distracted driver clause. Motion carried.

**c. Consideration of a request to change the Town’s internet service to Starlink.**

Ms. Christie reported that Town Hall frequently loses internet with the current provider, Hilltop. Starlink provides stronger internet coverage, and the monthly payment will be the same as Hilltop, but it costs $2,000 initially for the equipment.

**ACTION: Mr. Wilhelm** moved, and **Mr. Jagow** seconded to change the Town’s internet service to Starlink. Motion carried.

**d. Consideration of a request for the Town to enforce its municipal lighting code §10-4-3.**

The Mayor wanted to table this issue until after Ms. Patterson presents her research findings at the next BOT meeting. Mr. Jagow objected. Mr. Wilhelm would like a workshop. Town Attorney Findlay suggested that a new lighting ordinance should be drafted, and then at that point, the Town can begin enforcing it. He does not think that punishing the Saddle Club by retroactively fining them for past behavior is a good practice.

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The Mayor requested that Ms. Christie take a roll call vote.

Mayor Wenke – Yay

Mr. Dembosky – Nay

Mr. Jagow – Nay

Mr. Fulton – Nay

Mr. Nordyke – Yay

Mr. Wilhelm – Yay

Ms. Patterson – Yay

The motion to table passed with a 4-3 vote.

**ACTION: Mayor Wenke** moved, and **Mr. Nordkye** seconded to table this until the next meeting. Motion carried.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Ms. Christie requested to add a consideration of a request to approve Resolution 3-2025, adding her as an authorized user to the Nextiva phone account.

The Town is switching phone systems and for Nextiva to release the phone number, Ms. Christie needs to be an authorized user. The former Town Clerk is the only one on the account. The phones are being installed before the next BOT meeting.

**ACTION: Mr. Dembosky** moved, and **Mr. Nordyke** seconded to approve Resolution 3-2025, adding Ms. Christie as an authorized user to the Nextiva phone account. Motion carried.

**STAFF & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**Mr. Wilhelm** moved, and **Mr. Nordyke** seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

Recorded by:

Erin Christie

Town Clerk