

**Town of Saguache  
Board of Trustees  
Special Session  
July 6, 2011**

The Town of Saguache Board of Trustees met for a Special Session on July 6, 2011, with Trustees being present as follows:

Mayor Milton Jones	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Dario Archuleta	Present
Ruth Horn, Trustee	Present
Lyn Miles, Trustee	Present
Tina Serna, Trustee	Present
Carla Quintana, Trustee	Present
Kate Vasha, Trustee	Present

Town of Saguache employees being present as follows:  
 Therese Garcia, Town Clerk Present

Citizens in Attendance: Kim Smoyer, Brock and Amy Grell

**Call to Order:** Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance:** was led by Mayor Jones.

**Downtown Revitalization Project:**

CDBG Grant: Clerk Garcia reported that four bids were received. They were:

Company:	Base Bid	All Options	Options 1, 3, 4
<b>RMS Utilities, Inc.:</b>	<b>\$280,399.50</b>	<b>\$305,759.50</b>	
<b>SLV Earth Movers, Inc.:</b>	<b>\$182,000.00</b>	<b>\$197,580.00</b>	<b>\$196,080.00</b>
<b>Concrete Experts, LLC:</b>	<b>\$183,720.70</b>	<b>\$201,823.70</b>	<b>\$198,998.70</b>
<b>Pavement Maintenance Services:</b>	<b>\$235,921.20</b>	<b>\$254,201.20</b>	

There was discussion about the various bids, and the various alternatives. The board agreed to include options 1, 3 and 4, which are for having stamped and colored concrete on the handicap ramps and crosswalks. There was discussion about reasons for not choosing the lowest bidder.

**MOTION** by Trustee Horn; Second by Mayor Pro-Tem Archuleta

Trustee Horn moved to accept the low bid which was submitted by SLV Earth Movers, Inc. in the amount of \$182,000.

Vote as follows: Trustee Quintana – aye; Trustee Serna – aye; Trustee Miles – aye; Trustee Horn – aye; Trustee Vasha – aye; Mayor Pro-Tem Archuleta – aye; Mayor Jones – aye

VOTE: 7 – Aye; 0 – No; 0 – Abstain *Let the minutes reflect the Vote was unanimous.*

Street light options on 4<sup>th</sup> Street:

Kim Smoyer reported that there are three options: solar, metered, or Xcel lighting. There is a “one percent” fund with Xcel that could help pay for Xcel lighting if the installation involves replacing overhead wires with underground. The Town going with metered means buying the lights and then paying the metered prices. Solar lights are very expensive to buy and not attractive. Because of the possibility of getting a solar garden in the future, which could offset the price of electricity for the town, and the option of using the money in the fund, the decision was to go with Xcel. The final choice of the visioning committee was for the “Shepherd’s Hook” light. There will be four per side per block, for a total of sixteen lights. There are spots for crab trees, which have attractive blooms and will not damage sidewalks, and for benches and planters. The visioning committee has chosen a variety of benches and planters, rather than having them all the same, but will be careful that the benches and planters will blend with neighboring buildings.

Ms. Smoyer presented a budget summary. Including the accepted bids, a seven-percent contingency, and estimates for the finishing stages, the total so far is \$461,080, and the grant funds are \$490,000. Ms. Smoyer is investigating whether the overage can be used for the pocket park, which was included in the original plan but excluded from the pared-down version used for this grant submission.

The board requested that Clerk Garcia talk with the business owners about the schedule for the work. There was also discussion of providing temporary steps in front of the businesses while the sidewalks are torn out.

**Review, discuss and approve Gardner Excavating Invoice:**

Mayor Jones mentioned that the manholes are too high, since the streets are going to be lowered. He suggested that the Town hold off on paying them until it is fixed by Gardner, or it is determined that the original specifications were wrong.

**MOTION** by Trustee Serna; Second by Trustee Miles

Trustee Serna moved to release the check to Gardner Excavating as soon as the engineer approves the work.

Vote as follows: Trustee Quintana – aye; Trustee Serna – aye; Trustee Miles – aye; Trustee Horn – aye; Trustee Vasha – aye Mayor Pro-Tem Archuleta – aye; Mayor Jones – aye

VOTE: 7 – Aye; 0 – No; 0 – Abstain      *Let the minutes reflect the Vote was unanimous.*

**Adjourn:** There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

TOWN OF SAGUACHE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SAGUACHE, COLORADO

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Milton Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Therese Garcia, Town Clerk