



BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
August 10, 2021  
6:30 PM

Leeper Center, 3800 Wilson Avenue, Wellington, CO

MINUTES

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hamman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance  
Mayor Hamman asked that all rise for the pledge of allegiance.
2. Roll Call  
Mayor Troy Hamman  
Mayor Pro Tem Wyatt Knutson  
Trustee Jon Gaiter  
Trustee John Jerome  
Trustee Rebekka Kinney – Arrived at 6:32 p.m.  
Trustee Ashley Macdonald – Arrived at 6:53 p.m.  
Trustee Tim Whitehouse

Also Present:

Patti Garcia, Town Administrator  
Dan Sapienza, March & Olive, LLC, Town Attorney  
Cody Bird, Director of Planning  
Bob Gowing, Director of Planning  
Hallie Sheldon, Management Analyst  
Krystal Eucker, Town Clerk  
Judi Tippetts, Finance Director  
Mahalia Henschel, Communications Specialist  
Ross Lagenese, Library Manager  
Dean Campos, Parks and Recreation Manager  
Tyler Sexton, Assistant Finance Director

3. Amendments to Agenda  
Mayor Hamman asked if there were any amendments to the agenda. The minutes listed on the agenda were for the date of July 13, 2021 although the correct date of the minutes for approval is July 27, 2021.
4. Conflict of Interest  
Mayor Hamman asked if there were any conflicts of interest this evening to which there was none.

**B. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**

1. Public Comment  
Mayor Hamman opened the meeting for public comment to which there was none.
2. Presentation

a. Larimer County Funding for Early Childhood

Christina Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, Early Childhood Council of Larimer County and Deirdre Sullivan, President and CEO, United Way of Larimer County reviewed the ballot initiative report that was included in packet material.

Ms. Sullivan informed the Board that over half of what the United Way of Larimer County distributes is to support the market failure of childcare in the county. In 2008, United Way identified the absence of childcare as the number one deterrent to a family's economic self-sufficiency. As families try to live and work in our communities, the absence of care is a barrier. It was because of that identification and United Way's investment over the years that the partnership with the Early Childhood Council to embark on this process with a steering committee was created.

Ms. Taylor commented that in the early part of 2021, the Council pursued a contract for consultants to guide the strategic liability assessment to determine if the community was ready for tax funding to support early care and education access. A 17-member steering committee was also convened from various entities for a broad representation of the county. Through the process, public polling was conducted to get a sense for voters' appetite for potential taxes on the ballot. Expert cost modeling was completed to determine the amount of revenue that could potentially be generated and how that revenue could be used to solve childcare access in the county as the cost of one child to go to childcare is as much as a mortgage.

Ms. Taylor commented that in early July, the steering committee reported to the Larimer County Commissioners that a measure be referred to the ballot that consists of a .25% sales and use tax for Larimer County would generate approximately \$17 million annually to support early care and education.

Ms. Taylor commented that only 25% of infants and toddlers in Larimer County have access to licensed childcare and only 65% of children ages 3-5 have access which is based on both parents in the workforce.

Ms. Sullivan commented that this would expand the opportunity for family childcare homes. Currently, scholarships and grants are only available from United Way to non-profit centers so people that want to start a home childcare cannot benefit from the scholarships and grants; part of this will be the ability to support those home childcare providers.

Mayor Hamman inquired if this will be referred to the ballot.

Ms. Taylor commented that they remain hopeful as there is still some hesitation and one of those hesitations is to ensure that the municipal partners are informed.

Trustee Kinney inquired if this initiative could apply to home childcare providers, would that also include for profit childcare centers.

Ms. Taylor commented that it would.

Trustee Gaiter inquired as to why there is a gap in childcare centers.

Ms. Taylor commented that centers do not make a lot of money and they have to pay low wages to their staff as the hourly wage is \$12.00-\$15.00 so employees are hard to retain. Part of this initiative is to subsidize salaries up to a living wage.

Ms. Sullivan commented that there are a lot of regulatory pieces in terms of ratios and licensing requirements so we are working on breaking some of those down while still being able to provide a safe environment for children. One example is that there is a

requirement that a director be in the building at least 60% of the time so if that regulation was before cell phones and Zoom, that could be reevaluated while not jeopardizing the health and safety of the children.

Trustee Gaiter inquired as to the criteria that was used to determine who would be on the steering committee.

Ms. Taylor commented that there was a wide swath of individuals from Larimer County and we wanted to ensure there was business representation for employer perspective, government individuals for public service perspective, early education experts and government officials. The goal was to get as much information and feedback as possible while maintaining a manageable process.

Trustee Gaiter commented that it seems like a top-down view and there was not much interaction from the average person that lives in Larimer County.

Ms. Taylor commented that the Council is very community driven and the strategic plan is conducted over a 6-month community input process. During that process in 2019, there were over 100 community members from across the county that provided input on the strategic plan which is where the Council identified the priority to determine the feasibility of potential tax funding to support the early childcare and education system. Also, an advisory council meeting is held every month with 25-60 participants throughout the county. It was very intentional to have a community voice through the process.

Trustee Gaiter inquired as to how much of the funding would go to the organizations that would be part of the process of putting this together.

Ms. Taylor commented that the steering committee recommended that 95% of the funding would be distributed to the community so 5% would be used for administration. The steering committee recommended that the Council would be the administrator of this funding although that has not been settled.

b. Community Survey Results

Ryan Winger, Director of Data Analysis and Campaign Strategy with Magellan Strategies reviewed the community survey results that were included in packet material. Magellan Strategies is pleased to present the results of an online survey of 737 residents in the Town of Wellington, Colorado. The interviews were conducted from June 15th to 30th, 2021. This survey has a margin of error of +/- 3.47% at the 95 percent confidence interval. The survey data was weighted to be representative of the adult gender demographics in the Town of Wellington. A Majority of residents rate Wellington as a good or excellent place to live (71%) and raise a family (69%) and these are strong benchmarks moving forward. As with many communities along the Front Range, population growth is clearly a contentious issue in Wellington.

Trustee Kinney inquired if there was a way to see how Wellington ranked among other communities that had similar questions.

Mr. Winger stated he could look at comparable towns and come up with some benchmarks.

Trustee Kinney inquired as to what the recommended timeframe would be to do another similar survey.

Mr. Winger stated it varies on the community although every two years is appropriate.

Trustee Kinney inquired as to what the costs would be to do a similar survey.

Mr. Winger stated it would be around \$12,000 although some things could be trimmed to reduce cost.

Trustee Kinney inquired if the survey was available in multiple languages.

Mr. Winger stated since this survey was done pro-bono, it was not although typically it would be other languages as well. In communities where there is a high number of Spanish speaking individuals, not many take the survey in Spanish, they take it in English.

c. Strategic Plan Update

Hallie Sheldon, Management Analyst gave an update on the Strategic Plan.

The Strategic Plan outlines 4 Focus Areas: Growth and Development, Infrastructure, Community Engagement, and Organizational Strength.

Focus Area: Growth and Development

Goal 1: Balanced and resilient revenues

- American Rescue Plan Act Money
  - Wellington will be receiving \$2.6 million dollars as a result of the Federal American Rescue Plan Act.
  - The Town has received the first \$1.3 million and another \$1.3 will be coming next year.
  - The use of these funds will be determined by the Board of Trustees pending the final language of permissible uses.
- Fee Schedule Review
  - Staff is currently reviewing all Town fees to determine necessary changes to meet regional market standards.
  - This will come before the board for approval towards the end of the year.

Goal 2: Identify, attract and retain commercial development and businesses

- New Businesses in Town
  - BBQ Love Shack / Old Colorado Brewing Co.
  - Rust
  - Dollar General
  - Human Bean
- Grants Supporting Businesses
  - Town has applied for several grants to support businesses in the town.
    - First is the Revitalizing Main Street Grant awarded for a total of \$149,999
      - Promotes Downtown and Pedestrian Safety
    - Waiting to hear award on downtown improvement grant -Up to \$2 million
    - Currently writing the Open for Business Grant for submission
      - This would help with energy efficiency and facade improvements for businesses.
  - Staff working with local commercial lenders to promote resources for local businesses.
    - Colorado Local Lending Company
  - Main Street Market
    - The Town would like to celebrate the number of vendors participating every week and the crowds that have come to support the businesses

around Town as a result.

Goal 3: Comprehensive Plan - alignment and execution

- Comprehensive plan was adopted by the Planning Commission on August 2, 2021.
  - Land Use Code update will follow in alignment with the Comprehensive Plan.

Goal 4: Develop partnerships for long-term funding strategies

- Highlighted partnerships for this update:
  - Wellington Main Streets:
    - There has been significant collaboration in the search, writing, and execution of grants to support Wellington businesses and infrastructure around the town.
  - Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT):
    - The Town has been working alongside CDOT to promote funding opportunities for improvements to Town infrastructure.
  - North Poudre Irrigation Company (NPIC):
    - Collaboration is occurring regarding the future of the Water Treatment Plant expansion site and the lease agreements among NPIC and the Town. This partnership is vital to the future of water in Wellington.
  - Northern Water Conservancy District:
    - Northern Water has agreed to support the Town's newly created water conservation program.
    - They have agreed to purchase 100 showerheads and handhelds to help pilot a showerhead exchange program to help residents save water indoors.
    - They will be providing outdoor irrigation audits for residences and HOAs interested in the town. This would allow professional irrigation specialists to come and help residents understand where their irrigation systems are wasting water and the best practices to ensure efficient watering.
    - Finally, they will be performing a technical irrigation audit on Centennial Park to determine the best water saving practices for the Town's irrigation systems as well.
  - Regional partners regarding water
    - Town staff has been working with regional water partners across Northern Colorado to determine possible redundant water supplies and ways to partner for the best interest of our communities.
  - Metro DPA Program
    - The Board of Trustees approved the offering of the Metro DPA program in Wellington on July 13, 2021.
    - This program is a self-funded homeownership and down payment assistance program available to Front Range communities.
  - B Dams
    - There continues to be regional collaboration among the participants regarding the B Dams project.
  - Larimer County
    - The Town continues to work with Larimer County regarding future election processes and procedures. More to discuss tonight with IGA presentation.

Focus Area: Infrastructure

Goal 1: Ensure adequate current and future water resources, treatment and delivery

- Town is continuing conversations with regional water partners to determine redundant water supplies and possible future partnerships.
- Water Conservation program:
  - Town staff is working with Logan Simpson to update the Town's Landscape and Irrigation standards to align with more efficient outdoor watering practices and drought resistant landscapes.
  - Northern Water Conservancy District has agreed to partner on several projects, including a showerhead exchange project, residential irrigation audits, Town property irrigation audits, and training for Town Staff.
  - CSU Extension held an outdoor irrigation program on July 29 to promote best practices for efficient watering outdoors. This can be rewatched on the Town YouTube Page.
  - Town staff will be holding a Youth Water Conservation Program at the Wellington Public Library including a demonstration of the water treatment plant process.
  - Town staff will also be teaching water conservation classes for residents who have applied for the Hardship Utility Grant.
  - Finally, Town staff continues to replace old residential water meters with automatic meters. The goal of these replacements will be an Advanced Metering system in the future that will help residents with water consumption self-education and leak detection opportunities.
  - All of these programs and projects align with the Town's 2018 adopted Municipal Water Efficiency Plan.

Goal 2: Plan and develop purposeful community and Town facilities

- New Town Hall
  - Town staff is narrowing down 3 alternative sites for the future Town Hall.
  - Infusion architects has conducted a site analysis for Library Park as requested by the Board of Trustees at the January 19, 2021, Work Session.
  - They will conduct site analyses for the other 3 alternative sites as well.
  - The \$25,000 DOLA Site Selection grant will expire on September 30, 2021.
  - Town staff will bring a presentation to the Board in September regarding the 4 potential site options.

Goal 3: Create opportunities for transportation and storm water management improvements

- As mentioned above, the Town and the Main Street's program have been working together on several grant opportunities that would improve infrastructure in the downtown corridor.
- Stormwater Master Plan:
  - The Town has hired Icon Engineering for the Stormwater Master Plan and the kickoff meeting has just occurred.

Focus Area: Community Engagement

Goal 1: Build awareness about the Town of Wellington services and programs

- The Town has increased social media presence.
  - April to August, the Facebook reach was up 6% and Instagram was up 36.9%.
  - Yearly, Twitter engagement has been up 384.6%.
- The Town recognizes that not all community members have access to social media.
  - Since the beginning of the year, Town staff has provided printed handbills,

banners, water bill stuffers, and advertised at community events in attempt to reach more residents.

- Collaboration among North Forty News and Poudre School District will allow Town news to reach more residents in a timely manner.
- Monthly Newsletter
  - The monthly newsletter was created in December 2020 and is published the first Wednesday of every month.
  - In April 2021, there were 217 subscribers. This has now grown to 485 subscribers.
  - The Town has a 52% open rate which is much higher than the 28.2% government average.
- Promotion of the Hardship Utility Grant approved by the Board of Trustees began on August 4 and will continue throughout the year.
- Community engagement during the Comprehensive Plan process was extensive.
  - This outreach included online engagement, stakeholder meetings, Town Halls, small group/1 on 1 meetings with residents, etc.

#### Goal 2: Improve access to local government

- Translation services
  - The Town website now has the software available to translate information to allow for better access to all residents.
  - There has been an increase in graphics and social media posts that are translated as well.
- Town staff is working on building a "reports" page on the Town website in preparation for the increased information and details regarding the water and wastewater treatment plant projects.
  - The goal is to promote accessibility for these projects.

#### Focus Area: Organizational Strength

##### Goal 1: Provide regular training programs for all employees and develop cross-training plans.

- All staff completed a cybersecurity training provided by the Department of Defense.
- Staff attended a Worker's Compensation training.

##### Goal 2: Update Personnel Policy

- Town staff is currently updating personnel policies to align with strategic plan goals.

#### d. Wellington Public Library Quarterly Update

Mr. Lagenese informed the Board that it has been a stellar summer and quarter with much positive news to report. This is a community that works together, supports, and gives from such entities as Parks and Recreation, the firefighters, business owners, Main Streets, The Chamber, and more.

There is a consistent and unwavering support by such local businesses as Owl Canyon Coffee, Sparge, Thistle, Soul Squared and Leave it to Cleaver, Proper Time, Gridiron Fitness, Trim Salon and Barbershop, LazyDane, The Cakery, Polished Spa, and Beauty Renewed. Each one of these businesses gave very generously to our summer reading program. WPL thanks all of our sponsors that helped enrich literacy and engagement this summer. Our summer reading program participation increased this year, with 562 registered readers, 350 youth, 118 teens, and 95 adults. This year we wanted adults demonstrating and modeling literacy to our youth, and it was a great success. Reading logs that were turned in represents approximately 273 books read by adults, 485 hours of reading by teens, and 1,520 hours by our youth reading,

listening to stories, exploring, learning about new cultures, and chasing curiosity.

The summer reading program appreciation events included Once Upon a Field Day, The Raptor Program, and the Foam Party and there were large participation numbers, so we had to be mindful of occupancy limits. These events could not have been as successful and organized without our faithful volunteers and patrons.

These younger members of our community are currently engaging in the creation of a pilot journalism program, Wellington Broadcasting Corporation or WBC. Solely supported by WPL and the generous engagement of local businesses and non-profits, this program will be entirely developed, designed, coordinated, and managed by youth with their voice, narrative, and perspective. There are writers, photographers, readers, editors, artists, and reporters.

Finally, our summer wrap-up cannot exclude the Robotics Demo and Event. WPL partnered with the robotics teams from Liberty Common High School and the CSU Engineering Department to bring STEM to WPL in a hands-on and tactile experience and we could not be more thrilled by the reception of all ages and continued interest in more. The event demonstrated a full pathway from young to university age in regard to Robotics, Engineering, 3D prints, problem-solving methods and Battle Bots. The word is continuing to spread that WPL supports and encourages excitement, curiosity, screams of delight, and engaged noise and we all had that at the Robotics event. We deeply thank Mrs. Lannen and the engaging high schoolers that shared their original award-winning robots and even let our youth drive the bots and attack one another. This event sparked so much curiosity and interest, we are currently and continuing to work alongside CSU in creating a Field Trip to the CSU campus to explore even more labs and opportunities in Engineering.

From these shared examples of successful engagement and access all WPL numbers have increased.

- New patrons – increased
- Patronage – increased
- Circulation – increased
- Access for all – increased
- Event participation – increased

The WPL staff have been busy this quarter as much happens behind the scenes. Currently, as we inquire and respond to the communities needs as efficiently as possible, we are working on technology initiatives at county, state, and federal levels that can bring improved access to our residents and patrons. This could include expanded broadband, e-readers, tablets, and other technology to connect our patrons to accessible and user-friendly platforms. We are collaborating with Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union in developing and providing access to financial wellness classes and programs. Dungeons and Dragons nights, Painting classes, Dewey Dating, Music and movies at WPL park, local author evenings and coming at the end of this month, an interactive demonstration of our water treatment process and ways in which to conserve our resources.

e. Quarterly Parks and Recreation Update

Due to technical difficulties, the Quarterly Parks and Recreation Update has been moved to a future meeting.

## C. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the July 27, 2021 regular Board of Trustees meeting



**Trustee Whitehouse moved to approve the consent calendar; Trustee Jerome seconded the motion. Roll call on the vote resulted as follows:**

**Yeas – Gaiter, Jerome, Kinney, Macdonald, Whitehouse, Hamman**

**Nays – None**

**Abstain – Knutson**

**Motion carried.**

#### **D. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Resolution No. 23-2021 - A Resolution Authorizing Participation in the 2021 Coordinated Election and Approving the Intergovernmental Agreement for 2021 Coordinated Election Between the Town of Wellington and Larimer County

Ms. Eucker informed the Board that the Town of Wellington will be holding a special election on November 2, 2021. One option to conduct that special election is to coordinate election services with Larimer County.

Resolution 23-2021 provides formal action to participate in the 2021 coordinated election as well as approves an intergovernmental agreement between the Town of Wellington and Larimer County which outlines the duties of the entities.

Estimated costs to coordinate with Larimer County are \$4,515.41 - \$13,018.73 depending on other participating entities and actual election costs.

Trustee Kinney commented that in conversations with community groups, their thoughts on having separate ballots and different polling locations would be confusing to voters; they believed all the items would be on the same ballot.

Trustee Gaiter commented that he still has concerns with elections although in conversations with the County Clerk, she was able to ease some concerns. A lingering concern is that if there needs to be a recount for an unforeseen reason, the entire election will need to be recounted instead of just recounting Wellington ballots and he would personally prefer to have the ability to retain the ability to address those specifically if need be. Trustee Gaiter is also concerned about the unknown costs as it feels like writing a blank check.

Mayor Hamman inquired if someone protests the election and the votes needed to be recounted, is that an issue.

Ms. Eucker stated if someone requested a recount, that would be paid for by whomever requested the recount.

Trustee Jerome inquired that since the ballot issues are unique to the Town of Wellington, why would all the ballots need to be recounted.

Trustee Gaiter stated not all Wellington ballots are collected together as they are collecting ballots from all over the county at the same time.

Trustee Whitehouse inquired as to what type issues Trustee Gaiter has concerns about that would warrant a recount.

Trustee Gaiter stated he didn't know if there would be a specific issue and hopes that there is not one. There are a members of the community, Trustee Gaiter included that are on edge about elections.

Trustee Whitehouse commented that he has done research and from what he has found, there have been 11 instances that found some irregularities since 2013. Colorado is the gold standard for mail ballot election and feels that there are not issues with the county.

Trustee Kinney commented that she is highly competent in the capability of the coordinated election.

Mayor Hamman inquired if there is a protest, would that be the Town of Wellington paying that cost or the protesting party.

Ms. Eucker stated it would be the protesting party.

Mayor Hamman opened the meeting for public comment.

Janice Burns addressed the Board and commented that the Colorado Secretary of State enacted an emergency rule to ban third party audits of our elections and is concerned that if there is no fraud, what is being hidden. The Secretary is also proposing sweeping new rules into her emergency ruling that would significantly jeopardize election security at the state and county level. In the 2020 election, there was major enthusiasm for people to vote. Then massive election fraud in the nation, state and possibly the county. After that, there were many that said they would never vote again because their vote obviously didn't matter. Ms. Burns commented that the county clerk is honest and doing a good job although believes the system itself is very flawed and easily vulnerable to fraud. As a Wellington citizen and voter, Ms. Burns would prefer the election to be run by Wellington.

Christine Gaiter addressed the Board and commented that it seems the biggest concern of the Board is confusion of voter although if people are educated, it should not be a problem. A polling place will let Wellington retain control and paper ballots could be done so residents feel secure about the election and not have to worry about machines doing the counting. The rulemaking is connected to the internet, so it is open to security risk.

Mayor Hamman inquired as to the cost of Wellington conducted its own election.

Ms. Eucker stated it would be \$18,000-\$20,000.

Mayor Hamman commented that he wants to see maximum participation in the election and people are not coming to the polling places, they are mailing their ballots in.

**Trustee Kinney moved to approve Resolution 23-2021; Trustee Macdonald seconded the motion. Roll call on the vote resulted as follows:**

**Yeas – Jerome, Kinney, Macdonald, Whitehouse, Knutson, Hamman**

**Nays – Gaiter**

**Motion carried.**

2. Ordinance No. 09-2021 - An Ordinance Providing for a Special Election by the Town of Wellington, Colorado, Referring the Question of Whether a One Percent (1%) Sales and Use Tax Previously Approved by the Voters for the Construction and Reconstruction of Wellington Streets may also be Used to Pay Costs Associated with Development and Maintenance of Wellington Parks, Trails and Open Spaces

Mr. Sapienza informed the Board that in 1998 the voters approved a 1% sales tax for streets in Wellington and that does not sunset. In 2011, the voters decided to allow part of the 1% to be used for parks and that allowance for parks is expiring this year. This resolution would allow the split to continue between streets and parks and the 1% sales tax itself is not expiring.

Trustee Macdonald inquired as to how much longer does the Town have on the park bond.

Mr. Sapienza stated the balance of the bond is approximately \$780,000 so that will be about

three more years.

Trustee Jerome inquired if the Town would be able to put this on the coordinated ballot with the County.

Mr. Sapienza stated if the Board approves this resolution it will go on the same ballot.

Trustee Whitehouse confirmed that this would not increase taxes, it is simply about the allocation of the funds.

Mr. Sapienza stated it would not change the tax rate at all, it would allow the possible allocation of those funds.

Trustee Kinney reiterated that this will not raise taxes in Wellington.

Mr. Sapienza stated this ballot measure in no way raises taxes for Wellington residents.

Trustee Gaiter inquired if we know how much it will cost to educate the residents on this measure.

Trustee Macdonald repeated a response from the audience that it could be approximately \$2,000 to do an insert in the water bills and for printing additional handbills.

Mayor Hamman opened the meeting for public comment.

Christine Gaiter commented that her concern is the education piece and would want that to be just the facts and not one sided. Taxpayers shouldn't be paying for what they vote for. Why does there need to be money spent on education as it is explained in the question.

**Trustee Macdonald moved to approve Ordinance 09-2021; Mayor Pro Tem Knutson seconded the motion. Roll call on the vote resulted as follows:**

**Yeas – Gaiter, Jerome, Kinney, Macdonald, Whitehouse, Knutson, Hamman**

**Nays – None**

**Motion carried.**

## **E. REPORTS**

### 1. Town Attorney

None.

### 2. Town Administrator

Ms. Garca commented that the Magellan survey will come back to the Board at a future work session to discuss. It will be recommended that a survey be done every two years which rolls along with the strategic plan and budgeting.

The next meeting is a work session on August 17<sup>th</sup> and the topics covered that night will be the wastewater treatment financing, board and commission, future streets project, non-residential water rates and the ozone equipment for the water treatment plant.

### 3. Staff Communications

a. July 2021 - Report of Bills

### 4. Board Reports

Trustee Macdonald attended the Boys and Girls Club Larimer County Youth Forum and strongly encourage the Town to reach out to host the forum. It was really insightful and engaging as the youth provided comments very intelligently and provided a perspective of the impacts of COVID on them.

Trustee Kinney commented that the Wellington Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Women of Wellington event on August 18<sup>th</sup> and would like to extend that invitation to anyone interested. Also, Well-O-Rama was last weekend and it was wonderful to see everyone in the park. The Wellington parks and public works department were a great help for the event.

Trustee Gaiter commented that in a conversation with Commissioner Kefalas he learned that there was an email from members of the Hispanic community regarding a regional bus connection from Fort Collins to Wellington as that is a major concern for them. Commissioner Kefalas inquired if that is something the Wellington Trustees would like to revisit.

Trustee Gaiter did review with the CAC the ground rules that the Board of Trustees had set up which was well received.

Trustee Gaiter and Ms. Garcia will be meeting with members of the Hispanic community at their request next week.

Trustee Kinney gave a reminder that Commissioner Kefalas does have a monthly meeting on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 a.m. at the T-Bar for residents to have discussions with the Commissioner.

## F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. For the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S. – regarding negotiations with North Poudre Irrigation Company. As required by C.R.S. §24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(A) and (II) (E) the executive session proceedings will be electronically recorded and the record will be preserved for 90 days through November 9, 2021.

**Trustee Macdonald moved to go into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S. – regarding negotiations with North Poudre Irrigation Company; Trustee Jerome seconded the motion. Roll call on the vote resulted as follows:**

**Yeas – Gaiter, Jerome, Kinney, Macdonald, Whitehouse, Knutson, Hamman**

**Nays – None**

**Motion carried.**

The Board of Trustees moved into executive session at 8:38 p.m.

No official action was taken during the executive session.

**Trustee Jerome moved to close the executive session; Trustee Gaiter seconded the motion. Roll call on the vote resulted as follows:**

**Yeas – Gaiter, Jerome, Kinney, Macdonald, Whitehouse, Knutson, Hamman**

**Nays – None**

**Motion carried.**

The Board of Trustees closed the executive session at 9:11 p.m.

## G. ADJOURN

Upon a motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.



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Krystal Eucker, Town Clerk