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6 **New Castle Town Council Meeting**
7 **Tuesday, July 15, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**
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9 **Call to Order**

10 Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

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12 **Pledge of Allegiance**

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14 **Roll Call**

15 Present	Councilor Means
	Councilor Riddile
	Councilor Metzger
	Mayor Gordon
	Councilor Leland
	Councilor Stuckey
21 Absent	Councilor Breslin

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23 Also present at the meeting were Town Administrator Tom Baker, Deputy Town Clerk
24 Mindy Andis, Public Works Director John Wenzel and Human Resource Manager Mike
25 Edgar.

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27 **Meeting Notice**

28 Deputy Clerk Mindy Andis verified that her office gave notice of the meeting in accordance
29 with Resolution TC-2014-1.

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31 **Conflicts of Interest**

32 Councilor Stuckey noted that he may have a conflict with the Lakota items, but because
33 there were no decisions to consider relating to Lakota, he did not feel recusing himself
34 was necessary unless the council wanted him recused.

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36 **Agenda Changes**

37 Town Administrator Tom Baker told the council it might be necessary to discuss item E,
38 the Wellness Plan, ahead of item D, the Community Solar Park, because a speaker for the
39 solar discussion may be late. The council agreed to the change of necessary.

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41 **Citizen Comments on Items not on the Agenda**

42 There were no citizen comments.

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44 **Consultant Reports**

45 Consultant Attorney - not present
46 Consultant Planner - not present
47 Consultant Engineer - not present

1 Town Planner - Town Planner Tim Cain told the council that the building department was
2 busy. A permit for a triplex had been approved, and he had received an application for a
3 new home permit.

4 5 **Items for Consideration**

6 7 **Update: Warrior Acquisitions: Lakota Warranty Work**

8 Administrator Baker told the council that Town Attorney David McConaughy had
9 received the mortgage document from Warrior. Milling work on the roads had
10 begun the week prior. Councilor Metzger asked Public Works Director John Wenzel if
11 he had observed the work being done. Director Wenzel said he had. The milling
12 work, although he felt it was a bit out of sequence, the had milled areas that had
13 been identified as problematic had been milled. He had spoken to the contractor
14 who seemed competent. Director Wenzel described the repair processes. The
15 council asked about signage and resident access and Administrator Baker told them
16 that it appeared that appropriate signage had been done, and that only one
17 driveway seemed to be temporarily inaccessible.

18 19 20 21 **Update: Lakota Canyon Ranch, Castle Valley Ranch and LaRoca Property 22 Clean-Up**

23 Planner Cain told the council the Warrior had completed the clean-up the week
24 before, and that Castle Valley Ranch had completed their clean-up that day.
25 Councilor Riddile said there were piles of materials near Blackhawk Drive in Lakota
26 that had weeds growing on them, and he felt they had been there a long time.
27 Planner Cain said he would look into it.

28 Planner Cain also said he had sent a letter of violation to LaRoca Church, and had
29 spoken with Pastor Robin Vega who said the church could not afford to move the
30 building materials. Planner Cain advised Pastor Vega to write a letter requesting an
31 extension of the deadline for the clean-up. Planner Cain felt that the vehicles left on
32 the church property were a issue for the police department to address.

33 Administrator Baker told the council that it appeared the church would not be able
34 to do the clean-up and the council will have to decide what action to take.

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36 Mayor Gordon told the council that Deputy Clerk Mindy Andis had given them a
37 thank-you card for giving her the opportunity to go to clerk's school. He read the
38 card aloud.

39 40 **Consider an Intergovernmental Agreement with Garfield County for 41 Infrastructure Improvements**

42 Administrator Baker told the council that while he was on vacation, Greg Russi,
43 Engineer Jeff Simonson, Mayor Gordon and Finance Director Lyle Layton met with
44 the Garfield County Commissioners. He said the IGA under consideration was a
45 result of that meeting. He asked Mayor Gordon to summarize. Mayor Gordon told
46 the council that Engineer Simonson made the presentation to the county, and they
47 were impressed with the work that had been done. The county was also impressed
48 to see how the town had revamped the bridge project to reduce the overall cost.
49 The county was willing to provide New Castle with up to \$250k in financial support

1 should it be needed. Administrator Baker said the town attorney reviewed the IGA
 2 and if council approved, it would go before the Board of County Commissioners the
 3 following week for execution.

4 Administrator Baker reviewed the minor changes made in the IGA.

5 **MOTION: Councilor Riddile made a motion to approve the**
 6 **Intergovernmental Agreement with Garfield County and the Town of New**
 7 **Castle for Infrastructure Improvements. Councilor Means seconded the**
 8 **motion and it passed unanimously.**

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 11 **Update: Wellness Plan**

12 Human Resources Manager Mike Edgar described the services the town health
 13 insurance carrier, CEBT, will be providing for Garfield County. Two wellness clinics
 14 will be opening up in Rifle and Glenwood Springs. Employees can visit the clinics for
 15 a multitude of health issues and be treated without having to pay a co-pay.

16 Manager Edgar said the council had been interested in providing a wellness plan for
 17 the staff, and he said he was creating a plan by which employee could utilize the
 18 free clinic for health screenings and earn time off as a reward. The plan will come
 19 back to the council for approval.

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 21 **Discussion: Community Solar Park**

22 Administrator Baker said that the council had been contemplating solar energy and
 23 solar gardens for several years. Mayor Gordon, Mr. Greg Russi and Public Works
 24 Director John Wenzel attended a photovoltaic energy symposium in Rifle and
 25 learned much more about it. Michelle Zimmerman, of the Clean Energy Collective
 26 (CEC), was present to give the council a conceptual idea of what the town may be
 27 able to accomplish. He stated that that there was an opportunity through Xcel
 28 Energy and CEC that Ms. Zimmerman would explain.

29 Ms. Zimmerman posted a map of the site that CEC was considering for a
 30 community solar garden in New Castle. A town retention pond and raw water
 31 irrigation ditch are located on the site, which is south of Silverhorn and west of
 32 Mustang, in Castle Valley Ranch.

33 Ms. Zimmerman described that a community solar garden is for those residents
 34 who cannot have solar panels on their homes. Perhaps they do not have south-
 35 facing rooftops, or those who live in apartments or townhomes or in subdivisions
 36 where solar panels are not allowed, or for those who have landscaping that would
 37 impede proper sun exposure. Those persons can buy into a community solar garden
 38 and receive the same benefit as those who have panels on their homes. Solar
 39 gardens are available to residents and businesses who are in the same county and
 40 utility as the garden.

41 The cost per panel can range from \$400.00 to \$800.00. The panel costs vary
 42 according to local incentives and rebates available. The example was that Xcel
 43 Energy give production credits on the utility bills, whereas another utility company
 44 may not, so the upfront cost of the panels is higher with Xcel, but the payback is
 45 essentially the same. Then there are tax credits available. For entities that are tax
 46 exempt, because CEC would own the solar garden, CEC can take the thirty percent
 47 tax credit and pass that savings on to the tax-exempt entity.

48 She explained that if someone purchases panels, and the panels produce more
 49 energy than the utility account uses, those excess Kwh are credited to the utility

1 account in a monetary fashion. Panels that are installed on a home are privately
2 owned , and those excess Kwh are banked for future use, rather than credited back
3 to a utility account. Community solar gardens open solar opportunities to everyone.
4 The other benefit to community solar gardens is that the cost of installation is offset
5 because CEC will install the garden. In community solar, there are fees that are
6 associated with the program for taxes and surcharges through Xcel, and two cents
7 per Kwh that CEC collects for operations and maintenance fees, so the payback
8 would be seven cents per Kwh. Xcel currently charges twelve cents per Kwh. The
9 additional fee collected by CEC would sit in a separate trust fund that would
10 maintain the solar garden for the length of the contract.

11 Ms. Zimmerman said that a solar garden project would require a 25-year
12 commitment with Xcel Energy, therefore they would need a 25-year lease on the
13 land as well. Additionally, the project opportunity available required that a 500 Kwh
14 system be installed, which is why it is so many panels in the garden.

15 Ms. Zimmerman said that the CEC came into existence in 2009, and the first
16 community on solar, in the nation, is El Jebel. CEC had over forty projects across
17 eight states, equaling 26 megawatts. Community Solar is an up and coming trend,
18 and it is all that CEC does.

19 Ms. Zimmerman explained that the project being considered for New Castle was an
20 Xcel Energy Award for a 500 Kwh solar project. The reason there was a short time-
21 frame to approve the project was that the project was originally awarded to Boulder
22 County. The City of Boulder is considering municipalizing the electric utility and
23 separating from Xcel Energy, so they would not qualify for the project. CEC needed
24 to find another county that used Xcel Energy and had sufficient potential buyers,
25 and it had to be done within Xcel Energy's award time frame. Unfortunately, some
26 of the time had been spent considering Boulder County. Garfield County made
27 sense. Plus, there are two Holy Cross Energy projects in the area, that were done
28 by CEC.

29 Ms. Zimmerman explained the process by which the project would be installed.
30 Initially, CEC located sites, and a basic design is completed. Then CEC will hire
31 engineering firms to do initial and final engineering of the project. Local solar
32 contractors are hired to do the installation.

33 Ms. Zimmerman said a person could purchase as little as 1 Kwh, or as much as
34 forty percent of the array. It would be first-come, first served. New Castle could put
35 restrictions in the lease agreement on who can purchase, for instance allowing New
36 Castle residents the first option to purchase, before opening up the project to all
37 Xcel Energy/Garfield County residents.

38 Ms. Zimmerman and Administrator Baker said that the land was selected because it
39 is one of the largest town-owned pieces available, because the land is zoned for
40 utilities as a permitted use, and because the land has not been designated for any
41 particular use. The site is the only town-owned site large enough for the project.
42 Councilor Metzger asked if the neighbors had been consulted. Administrator Baker
43 said that the first step was whether the council felt it was a viable location and
44 project. If so, the next step would be gathering public input on the project. A
45 meeting will be scheduled specifically for it. Ms. Zimmerman agreed that
46 neighborhood input was vital. She reiterated that the council needed to decide if
47 they should move forward with the project. If so, then neighborhood input will be
48 sought. If not, then other options would have to be considered.

49 Ms. Zimmerman made a slideshow presentation on community solar gardens.

1 Mayor Gordon thought the project would be good for the community. If the town
2 purchased panels, it could reduce utility costs for the town, which is good for the
3 community. He wanted to explore the opportunities more, but wanted to be certain
4 the community agreed.

5 Councilor Metzger felt that the open space needed to be preserved because many
6 people bought homes near the open space because of the open space.

7 Administrator Baker asked how New Castle residents could have preference in
8 purchasing panels. Ms. Zimmerman said the land lease agreement could set that
9 preference, perhaps by allowing residents of New Castle the first opportunity to buy
10 panels, or perhaps by having a preferred price.

11 Director Wenzel said he thought it was going to be important to understand how
12 the homeowners adjacent to the proposed site felt about the project. He also
13 thought that in the lease negotiations there could be consideration specifically to
14 those adjacent owners directly affected.

15 Councilor Leland and Director Wenzel agreed that the site was not necessarily
16 attractive open space, and thought that maybe some of the neighbors would
17 welcome the solar garden as an improvement.

18 Ms. Zimmerman said the project required approximately 1600, 300-watt panels,
19 and it would take up most of the site. The trail would be moved to accommodate
20 the project, as the project will be fenced. Fencing would likely be six or eight-foot
21 wildlife fencing.

22 A resident said he had that he had installed nine panels on his home in 2006 and he
23 has never had to do maintenance on them. He said the cost per watt for installation
24 has dropped from \$10 per watt to \$3, and it was a good time to consider solar.

25 Also, there were numerous studies done to determine the value of solar, and Xcel
26 Energy itself valued it at 14.5 cents per Kwh.

27 Another resident said that one of the issues for national security was the power
28 grids, and locally produced energy reduced vulnerability. He said he was proud to
29 be part of a community that was progressive enough to consider community solar.

30 Mr. Russi told the council that the two parcels in question have been owned by the
31 town since 1999 and 2004. Mr. Russi said he has sat on the Parks, Open Space,
32 Trails and Recreation committee for most of that time, and at no point had a
33 specific use for the parcels been determined. A park has never been proposed for
34 the site. He said he believed that some topsoil was taken for the community
35 garden. The parcels had very rough topography that had the appearance of a rock
36 quarry. There were lots of weeds. He thought the sleek, quiet, black appearance of
37 the utility would be an improvement over the existing conditions.

38 A question was asked about low-income opportunities. Ms. Zimmerman said there
39 is a standard that requires that a certain percentage of the panels be reserved for
40 residents that meet the low income threshold. Administrator Baker said HUD had
41 information on what low-income was, and that many seniors met the qualification.

42 Councilor Leland said it was important to get the senior community involved.

43 Ms. Zimmerman said that most of the systems CEC has installed have sold the
44 panels within the first year, and very often they are reserved before the project is
45 complete.

46 She also told the council that the Xcel Energy Award required that the project be
47 complete by September 30, 2014, and that it would take six weeks to build. The
48 project was fast-tracked because of the time constraint. Meetings and discussions

1 with the neighborhood needed to take place very soon, and lease negotiations
2 needed to be addressed quickly.

3 Administrator Baker said that a special council meeting could be called for on July
4 29, 2014, which would give staff enough time to notify the neighborhood. Staff
5 could walk the neighborhood with flyers, speak to people as they are available, and
6 leave flyers with requests for them to call with questions.

7 Staff and council discussed how notification would take place.

8 It was agreed that the entire town should be notified.

9 Councilor Metzger felt that the project was moving to quickly. She said she was not
10 against solar, but it was too quick and she was opposed to it because of that.

11 Councilor Stuckey was in agreement with the project, and felt it was something the
12 town should move forward with it if they could.

13 Councilor Leland agreed with Councilor Stuckey, and felt it would be nice to have a
14 solar garden here. He said he had noted that consultation with the neighbors was
15 necessary. He thought it would improve the site.

16 Councilor Means thought the council should move forward and find out what the
17 community's response would be. If the project is feasible, the town should pursue
18 the project.

19 Councilor Riddile wanted to see what the community response would be, and if a
20 significant number of people show and comment, that would be good. He felt that
21 they could not move forward if only a few comments were received.

22 Mayor Gordon said that the council agreed that they would like to move forward.

23 The first step was soliciting community input. He also felt the project was important
24 for the town.

25 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to hold a special town council**
26 **meeting on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center,**
27 **and that a general invitation be extended to the town to discuss the**
28 **possibility of a community solar garden. Councilor Stuckey seconded the**
29 **motion and it passed with Councilor Metzger opposing.**

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32 **Consent Agenda**

33 RFTA Grant Application (Ladder of Opportunity) Support Letter

34 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to approve the consent agenda.**
35 **Councilor Means seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

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37 **Staff Reports**

38 Town Administrator - Administrator Baker told the council that a letter had been sent to
39 Colorado Resource Housing Development Corporation asking them to reconsider the
40 numbers in the pro-forma. He had spoken to Al Gold who agreed to take another look at
41 the pro-forma, and asked for a little time. They could come to the August 5 meeting.

42 Town Clerk - Deputy Clerk Andis thanked the council for providing her the opportunity to
43 attend clerk's school.

44 Public Works Director - not present

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46 **Commission Reports**

47 Planning & Zoning Commission - nothing to report

48 Historic Preservation Commission - nothing to report

49 Economic Advisory Committee - nothing to report

1 Senior Programs - Councilor Metzger said not many people used the Traveler in New
2 Castle, but the use in the whole county was going up. She said the Traveler was
3 struggling financially. Some towns were not contributing to senior programs.
4 RFTA - Mayor Gordon said the RFTA meeting was good. Shelly Kaup, from GCE, gave a
5 report to RFTA. Councilor Metzger asked about the park and ride, and Mayor Gordon said
6 the project had gone out to bid.

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8 **Council Comments**

9 Councilor Riddile apologized that he had not commented at the last meeting, and asked
10 that his comment be passed along to public works. He said he was appalled at the Castle
11 Valley HOA presentation, giving the town such negative feedback on snow removal. He
12 felt that public works was doing a great job, and given the previous winter's unusual
13 snow/ice situation, they had done a fantastic job as usual. He felt that the Castle Valley
14 Ranch HOA was welcome to provide additional funding to the town for additional
15 personnel if they wished. He felt the HOA was insulting to the public works staff.
16 Councilor Leland said that Roaring Fork Outdoor Volunteers, who are building the 'high
17 trail', would like a name for the trail. A suggestion was made to call it the "Buster Brown
18 Trail" because the trail follows the ditch on the Buster Brown Ranch. Councilor Leland felt
19 that council could just go ahead and name the trail, unless the HPC was inclined to
20 consider a name at their next meeting.

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22 **MOTION: Mayor Gordon made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Metzger seconded**
23 **the motion and it passed unanimously.**

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25 The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

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27 Respectfully Submitted,

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33 Mayor Bob Gordon

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37 Town Clerk Melody Harrison

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3 **New Castle Special Town Council Meeting**
4 **Solar Workshop**
5 **Tuesday, July 29, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**
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9 Mayor Gordon addressed the audience, and welcomed everyone for their attendance. He
10 began by apologizing to everyone for the confusion. He said that when the town began
11 looking at the solar project award, there was, unfortunately, a time limit to utilize the
12 award. The council wanted to take advantage of the award, so they got information out as
13 quickly and to as many residents as they could. He said the council needed information
14 from the public to make a good decision, which was the purpose of holding the meeting
15 that night. He emphasized that there were no leases with anyone, there were no contracts
16 with anyone, that the council had made no decisions regarding the solar garden. Council's
17 intention was to gather information and opinions from the residents, particularly those
18 who live close to the open space area. He said the council understood that the location in
19 Castle Valley Ranch was not a good location. Mayor Gordon told everyone that the council
20 understood that people were concerned about their property values, and they respected
21 that.

22 He said the Clean Energy Collective would do a presentation on Community Solar
23 Gardens, and that everyone would have a chance to ask questions and voice their opinion.
24 He asked that everyone show respect to one another.
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26 **Call to Order**

27 Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.
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29 **Pledge of Allegiance**
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32 **Items for Consideration**
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34 **Presentation by the Clean Energy Collective Regarding Community Solar Gardens**

35 Paul Spencer and Michelle Zimmerman of the Clean Energy Collective began a slide show
36 presentation. The presentation described community solar gardens and how they work.

37 Answering questions from the audience, they covered the following:

- 38 * The Xcel Energy Solar Garden Award
- 39 * Other solar gardens in Garfield County
- 40 * The advantages and disadvantages of the size and location of the garden
- 41 * The health effects of solar panels
- 42 * The potential noise and visual pollution of the garden
- 43 * The financial impacts for the residents and town
- 44 * The purpose or designated use of the open space parcel
- 45 * The impacts on the local wildlife
- 46 * The kilowatt-hours produced per panel
- 47 * The cost to lease or buy panels and the period for potential payback
- 48 * Who benefits from purchasing a panel, and from the installation of the garden
- 49 * Other locations

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2 The council fielded many questions from the audience regarding the public process and if
3 that process had been closely followed by the town. The council assured everyone that the
4 public process had been strictly adhered to. Town Attorney McConaughy described the
5 public process to the audience, referencing the municipal code sections that spoke to it.
6 He and the council stated that the purpose of the meeting and of the notifications to the
7 residents was the very first step of that process, and they were glad to see so many
8 people attending.
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10 Many people in the audience spoke, voicing concern that confusing information had been
11 circulating, and many people were upset by what they had been hearing.
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13 The audience seemed to be in support of community solar gardens, but did not like the
14 location chosen. The council offered the opportunity for interested parties to seek
15 appointment to the Climate Action Advisory Committee who would initially handle solar
16 projects in the future.

17 The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.
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20 Respectfully Submitted,
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25 Mayor Bob Gordon
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30 Town Clerk Melody Harrison
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4 **New Castle Town Council Meeting**
5 **Tuesday, August 5, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**
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8 **Call to Order**

9 Mayor Gordon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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11 **Pledge of Allegiance**
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13 **Roll Call**

14 Present	Councilor Means
	Councilor Riddile
	Councilor Metzger
	Mayor Gordon
	Council Breslin
	Councilor Leland
	Councilor Stuckey
21 Absent	None

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23 Also present at the meeting were Town Administrator Tom Baker, Town Clerk Melody
24 Harrison, Human Resource Manager Mike Edgar, Finance Director Lyle Layton, Town
25 Planner Tim Cain, Town Engineer Jeff Simonson, Town Attorney David McConaughy and
26 Assistant Town Attorney Hailey Carmer.
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28 **Meeting Notice**

29 Clerk Harrison verified that her office gave notice of the meeting in accordance with
30 Resolution TC-2014-1.
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32 **Conflicts of Interest**

33 Councilor Stuckey stated that he had a conflict with item H, the website discussion.
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35 **Agenda Changes**

36 There were no agenda changes.

37 Remove open records policy to regular agenda so Attorney McConaughy could speak to
38 the council about it. The council agreed.
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40 **Citizen Comments on Items not on the Agenda**

41 There were no citizen comments.
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43 **Consultant Reports**

44 Consultant Attorney – present for agenda items. Attorney McConaughy introduced Haley
45 Carmer, the new attorney with Garfield & Hecht. He said she just graduated from the
46 University of Utah Law School and just took the Colorado Bar exam.

47 Consultant Planner – not present

48 Consultant Engineer – present for agenda items
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1 **Items for Consideration**

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3 **Consider a Motion to accept the 2013 Audit as presented by J. Cutler and**
4 **Associates**

5 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to approve the 2013 Audit as**
6 **presented. Councilor Stuckey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**
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10 **Consider Resolution TC-2014-22 - Approving a Contract with Gould Construction**
11 **for the Pedestrian Bridge.**

12 Engineer Simonson told the council that the final bid amount came to \$2,116,706.65. This
13 number included a worst-case scenario for the expenses related to traffic control. Included
14 in the contract were the Union Pacific Rail Road (UPRR) Right of Entry Agreement
15 provisions. Also, there were some UPRR insurance requirements that may cost a bit more
16 than anticipated, and could be discussed later in the agenda. Attorney McConaughy said
17 the contract is a standard contract that cross-references bid documents. The reason it is
18 being approved by resolution is that there were some post-bid negotiations that altered
19 the final documents from the original bid. He apologized for a numbering error on the
20 resolution, and said that staff will correct the resolution number and the cross-referenced
21 resolution numbers in the body of the document.

22 **MOTION: Councilor Breslin made a motion to approve Resolution TC-2014-22, A**
23 **Resolution of the New Castle Town Council Approving a Construction Contract**
24 **with Gould Construction for Construction of the Pedestrian Bridge Crossing, as**
25 **amended. Mayor Gordon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

26 Mayor Gordon thanked Mr. Greg Russi for his years of hard work working on the
27 pedestrian bridge project. He also thanked Engineer Simonson, Attorney McConaughy, the
28 staff and council for all their efforts.
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32 **Consider Resolution TC-2014-23 - Approving a Memorandum of Understanding**
33 **and a Special Use Permit with the Colorado Department of Transportation for the**
34 **Pedestrian Bridge**

35 Engineer Simonson explained that the special use permit was required by CDOT for the
36 bridge project, and the memorandum of understanding defines who is responsible to own
37 and maintain the bridge. He reminded the council that one of the cost-saving changes was
38 the elimination of bridge lighting, that lights at the intersection would be utilized, and
39 solar lights would be installed later if needed.

40 **MOTION: Councilor Riddile made a motion to approve Resolution TC-2014-23, a**
41 **Resolution of the New Castle Town Council Approving a Maintenance Agreement**
42 **with the Colorado Department of Transportation Regarding the Pedestrian**
43 **Bridge Crossing. Councilor Metzger seconded the motion and it passed**
44 **unanimously.**
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48 **Consider Resolution TC-2014-24 - Approving a Pedestrian Bridge Crossing**
49 **Agreement with Union Pacific Rail Road**

1 Attorney McConaughy told the council that the agreement was a standard Union Pacific
2 Rail Road (UPRR) agreement that UPRR was not inclined to change. He noted that the
3 map included in the agreement by UPRR was outdated and the resolution clarified the
4 current mapping of the area. He said there is a \$10k license fee included, as well as
5 inspection fees. Because work is being done within twenty-five of live railroad tracks,
6 UPRR must have an on-site inspector at \$1,250.00 per day. UPRR estimated ten days, but
7 Engineer Simonson felt that two or three days was all they would need. Engineer
8 Simonson said they would try to negotiate the fees with UPRR.

9 **MOTION: Mayor Gordon made a motion to approve Resolution TC-2014-24, a**
10 **Resolution of the New Castle Town Council Approving a Pedestrian Bridge**
11 **Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company. Councilor Means**
12 **seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**
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16 **Consider Awarding the Bid for the Pedestrian Trail Project**

17 Engineer Simonson told the council that bid had been received the week before, from Heyl
18 Construction, Gould Construction, Hudspeth and Associates, and Johnson Construction.
19 The engineers' project cost estimate was \$808,936.00. The bids ranged from \$794k to
20 \$871k. The apparent low bid was Johnson Construction, and the contractor his firm
21 recommended. He said Johnson Construction had been in the area for a long time, and
22 that they built the Rifle Creek Trail.

23 Attorney McConaughy told the council that all the rights of way agreements were in place,
24 and that the deadline for completing the project was December 31, 2014.

25 **MOTION: Councilor Stuckey made a motion to approve awarding the bid for the**
26 **pedestrian trail project to Johnson Construction. Councilor Metzger seconded the**
27 **motion and it passed unanimously.**
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30 **Open Records Policy**

31 Councilor Leland asked about the \$30.00 per hour fee charged by the clerk's office.
32 Attorney McConaughy told the council that the recent state statute limited the fee a town
33 could charge to \$30.00 per hour, and required that the first hour be free. Councilor Leland
34 said that a recent records request required the town to hire Executech to perform
35 research and retrieval at a much higher rate. He asked if the town could charge the
36 consultants rate. Attorney McConaughy said the town would only charge the \$30.00, and
37 the rest of the consultant's cost would be absorbed by the town.

38 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to accept the Open Record Policy as**
39 **presented. Councilor Riddile seconded the motion.**

40 Discussion: Councilor Breslin said he spoke with Joe at Executech to find out what their
41 policy was in regard to protecting personal e-mail passwords and accounts. There did not
42 seem to be a specific policy, and Joe suggested that passwords be changed after the
43 research was complete. Attorney McConaughy felt password protection was a good point,
44 and thought a contract provision with the IT company was a good answer. With an open
45 records request like the town received, any councilor who used their personal e-mail for
46 town business opened their personal account to the open records process. Only e-mails
47 specific to town business could be revealed, but the researcher could possibly view all e-
48 mails in the personal account.

1 Councilor Leland pointed out that town e-mail accounts were set up for each councilor
2 specifically for the purpose of official town business. Anyone who used a personal account
3 will have to change his or her password after the research is complete.

4 Mayor Gordon asked if just anyone could ask for records, for any reason. Attorney
5 McConaughy said yes, anyone could ask for records. Administrator Baker said that records
6 requests require a specific topic and timeline, they are not blanket requests for
7 everything. Attorney McConaughy said that every citizen has a right to request records.
8 There had been a request made on the governor's records that was simply a fishing
9 expedition, and the case ruled that every citizen has a right to make the request, but
10 there are limits. Private messages are not part of the public record.

11 Attorney McConaughy said the request to the town is on hold because the requestor is
12 away on vacation.

13 **The motion passed unanimously.**

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15 Councilor Breslin asked if the council would agree to a discussion at the next council
16 meeting to consider hiring a photographer to take some progression photographs of the
17 pedestrian bridge and trail projects. The council agreed it would be a good idea.

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20 **Bureau of Land Management Scoping for Existing Oil and Gas Leases**

21 Greg Larson, Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Mr. Larson told the council that the BLM
22 was working on an environmental impact statement (EIS), looking at a series of sixty-five
23 leases issued on the White River National Forest between 1995 and 2007. The Town of
24 New Castle indicated interest and was granted cooperating agency status, ensuring
25 participation in the planning and production of an EIS. The reason the EIS is being done to
26 reanalyze the decision to issue the leases, and the BLM is producing their own EIS. The
27 reason cooperating agencies are invited to join is because the agency either has some
28 special expertise or jurisdiction bylaw that may be affected by the project. New Castle was
29 invited because the town has special expertise on the socio-economic conditions,
30 transportation and local conditions. New Castle is invited to participate to what level is
31 desired by the council. It will include meetings, perhaps four per year, as well as
32 review/input of the socio-economic documents. The process is expected to take two years.
33 The first meeting will be on August 14 at 9:00 am. Mr. Larson suggested the town send a
34 representative to the meeting, and that person could provide the council with a summary
35 and some policy choice options. Councilor Breslin felt it was important that New Castle be
36 involved and the council agreed.

37 Mr. Larson provided staff with a copy of the proposed memorandum of understanding as
38 well as a desk guide to cooperating agency relationships. He said the first meeting was
39 open to everyone, but for the BLM to begin sharing the documents, an MOU must be
40 signed.

41 The council thanked Mr. Larson. Administrator Baker said either Planner Cain or himself
42 would attend the meeting and bring the MOU back to the council.

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44 **Update: La Roca Clean-Up**

45 Planner Cain explained that LaRoca sent the letter in the packet, asking council for an
46 extension on the clean-up of their property. He said he has not spoken with anyone from
47 LaRoca about options. The letter states that they are trying to sell the property. Planner
48 Cain said council could provide an extension, or they could continue with the enforcement
49 process. Councilor Leland said that LaRoca did not have the funds to do the clean-up. If
50 staff did the clean-up and leined the property for the cost, they would not be able to sell

1 the property because the asking price was already more than its current value. Mayor
2 Gordon agreed, and said the property was in the condition it was because LaRoca did not
3 have any money. Councilor Stuckey asked how many times the town had asked LaRoca to
4 clean up the area, and Planner Cain said that to his knowledge, the town had never asked
5 LaRoca to do anything. Councilor Stuckey asked how long the materials have been sitting
6 on the property. Planner Cain thought perhaps fifteen years. Councilor Stuckey said he
7 thought LaRoca should be held to the same standard that Lakota and Castle Valley was
8 held to, particularly because it was at the West entrance to the town. He felt the town
9 should do something, otherwise LaRoca will do nothing to clean up the property.

10 Councilor Breslin felt that LaRoca should put together some sort of an advertising package
11 that showed a rendering of the building that lay on the property, to help market it.
12 After a brief discussion, the council decided on a plan of action that extended through the
13 end of the year. At that time, the council will determine if further action is needed.

14 **MOTION: Councilor Stuckey made a motion to approve the following plan:**
15 **LaRoca will have thirty days to demonstrate**

16 **1. That they have created a sales/marketing package.**

17 **2. That the property had been assessed.**

18 **3. That they have a contract with a realtor to sell the property, and the property**
19 **is being widely advertised.**

20 **If LaRoca does what is asked, the council will extend the demand for clean-up**
21 **until December 31, 2014. Councilor Breslin seconded the motion and it passed**
22 **unanimously.**

23 24 **Website Discussion**

25 Councilor Stuckey asked to be recused. The council agreed. Councilor Stuckey left council
26 chambers at 8:19 p.m.

27 Councilor Leland explained how much more expansive the new site is, and how the
28 increases came about with various staff and council suggestions. He said the ideas kept
29 coming in, and he and Ms. Stuckey integrated as many of the additions as possible.
30 Administrator Baker said a number of things were expanded as the site was being
31 developed. Ms. Stuckey provided staff with a detailed memo on the work done and hours
32 spent creating the new site. He said he had the opportunity to meet with Ms. Stuckey
33 along with Mayor Gordon and Councilor Leland. The team that developed the site provided
34 the town with a discounted hourly rate, as well as a reduced their billable hours by about
35 fifty percent. Staff recommends that the council approve additional funding of
36 approximately \$9,520.00 for the new website. Funds could come out of the economic
37 development line item, as well as the general fund reserve.

38 Website maintenance and work will be budgeted for 2015, and there will be some money
39 saved once we are no longer paying for the old site.

40 Councilor Breslin felt the new website was wonderful, and he said that Ms. Stuckey and
41 her colleagues did a phenomenal job. He felt they had gone the extra mile in good faith
42 and felt the council should approve the additional expenditure.

43 Councilor Metzger said she felt the new website mentioned the chamber too many times
44 when there is no chamber at this time. Councilor Leland and Ann Stuckey said they would
45 look at that. Councilor Leland asked the council and staff to contact them with anything
46 they saw that needed editing. Ms. Stuckey also said that at the time information was
47 being moved from the old site to the new, the chamber was in flux, and so the chamber
48 information remained on the pages.

49 Councilor Riddile agreed that the new site was very nice, but felt that a fifty percent
50 overrun in cost was a concern. He said he would approve the additional expenditure

1 because staff was committed to the project, but hypothetically, if the town had a
 2 construction project that had a fifty percent cost overrun, council would question it.

3 Councilor Means agreed with Councilor Riddile

4 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to approve a budget increase for the**
 5 **new town website of \$9,520.00. Funds should be drawn first from the economic**
 6 **development line item, and second from the general fund. Councilor Breslin**
 7 **seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

8 Councilor Breslin said he has seen some websites that were not as great as the towns',
 9 and people had paid a lot more for them. He felt the site New Castle was worth what was
 10 paid for it because it will be a great economic tool.

11 Ms. Stuckey said that another feature of the new site is that it works on all other
 12 platforms, such as iPhones and ThinkPads. The site collapses itself to accommodate the
 13 device it is being viewed on.

14 Councilor Leland felt that the local businesses needed to be informed of the business
 15 database on the new site so they could take advantage of the opportunity.

16 Councilor Metzger said the new site needed to be advertised to the citizens as well.

17 Ms. Stuckey suggested that Heidi Rice do another article for the town.

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 19 Councilor Stuckey returned to council chambers t 8:37 p.m.

22 **Consent Agenda**

23 Minutes of the July 1, 2014 council meeting

24 Minutes of the July 9, 2014 council meeting

25 July Bills of \$ 766,844.22

26 Resolution TC-2014-20 - the Live Well/ HEAL Program

27 Resolution TC-2014-21 - Releasing the Alder Ridge letter of credit

28 New Castle Diner Liquor License Renewal

29 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to approve the revised consent**
 30 **agenda. Mayor Gordon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously**

32 **Staff Reports**

33 Town Administrator – nothing to report

34 Town Clerk – Clerk Harrison told the council that in the information folder in the DropBox
 35 were updates from the agencies that had received grants from the town.

36 Town Planner – present for agenda items

37 Public Works Director – not present

39 **Commission Reports**

40 Planning & Zoning Commission – nothing to report

41 Historic Preservation Commission – nothing to report

42 Economic Advisory Committee – nothing to report

43 Senior Programs – nothing to report

44 RFTA – nothing to report

46 **Council Comments**

47 Councilor Metzger asked what was happening with the RFTA Park and Ride. Administrator
 48 Baker said he would find out from Mike Hermes and e-mail the information to the council.
 49 Councilor Metzger said she had saw an e-mail from the River Center asking for volunteers
 50 to weed the community garden. She asked who was receiving the food. Administrator

1 Baker said the River Center received half the produce, and the other half went to the
2 people that helped with the garden. He said that the River Center is a partner in the
3 project and they said they could get volunteers if they were needed. The agreement with
4 LiveWell was that half the produce from the garden would be distributed to families in
5 need. A weeding party will take place Saturday morning from 9 to 10 and everyone was
6 invited. Councilor Metzger asked if the people receiving the food were invited to weed.
7 Administrator Baker said the invitation was open to all, and that Lift-Up decided who
8 would receive the food. The River Center will offer nutrition education in August and
9 September. The original idea was to provide education on how to plant, care for and
10 harvest a garden.

11 Councilor Breslin thought it would be a good idea to invite Dana Wood from LiveWell to
12 the weeding party for a photo opportunity. The council agreed.

13 Councilor Breslin told the council that the AGNC had been pushing for compromises on
14 four initiatives, for and against fracking. AGNC will bring the opposing parties together to
15 try and keep the issue off the ballot. He felt the council should be prepared to talk with
16 people about it, and he would information to the councilor that was obtained at the oil and
17 gas symposium earlier in the year. they received at the conference earlier in the year.

18 Councilor Breslin reminded everyone that the county fair was this week in Rifle.

19 Councilor Breslin said there was an article in the Meeker newspaper about ATVs and golf
20 carts on town streets, and felt it was something the council should discuss at the August
21 19 meeting

22 Councilor Leland said that after the solar garden workshop there were several people who
23 seemed to be interested in appointment to the Climate Action Advisory Commission.

24 Councilor Leland said he heard that Ft, Collins public radio had broadcast a show on
25 Undiscovered Colorado about coal seam fires in the Hogbacks. There is also a website. He
26 said he would send the link to Administrator Baker to send to the council.

27 Councilor Leland said he and Administrator Baker had met with some consultants that
28 were doing an audit on the Garfield County facilities. He said it was a pleasant meeting
29 and they let the consultant know that there were available lots and the town would like to
30 have a county facility in town.

31 Councilor Leland said he had very interesting conversation with a New Castle resident
32 about Brian Dominguez. Apparently, the resident had some trouble with their son, and
33 Officer Dominguez was the officer who responded to a 911 call there. Officer Dominguez
34 spoke to the young man in a way that got through to him. The resident said there has
35 been some significant changes in the young man's behavior, and he attributed them to
36 Officer Dominguez. Most remarkable, Officer Dominguez has been stopping by their house
37 to check up with them regularly. The council felt this was very inspiring.

38 Councilor Stuckey said the High Trail had been discussed at HPC, and they had decided an
39 appropriate name for the trail would be the Jolley Trail, because they had owned the
40 property for a long time.

41 Councilor Stuckey said that HPC discussed how much Mike Miller does for the town
42 cemetery and regularly refuses compensation. They felt it would be appropriate to name
43 the road in the cemetery Miller Road, to give him a permanent recognition. Councilor
44 Breslin said that Mr. Miller had a Mennonite background, and it may be a good idea to
45 speak with someone of the Mennonite faith to understand how that recognition might be
46 bestowed upon Mr. Miller without upsetting his beliefs.

47 Councilor Stuckey said he had the pleasure of meeting Senator Michael Bennett while
48 riding the BRT to Aspen. He said Sen. Bennett seemed down to earth. Councilor Stuckey
49 said he spoke with one of Mr. Bennett's assistants, who suggested there were federal
50 funds available that could assist the town with the trail from Glenwood Springs to New

1 Castle. He offered to pursue that if the council agreed. The council agreed Councilor
 2 Stuckey should pursue it.
 3 Mayor Gordon asked the council to look at the list posted on the wall of all the
 4 accomplishments the council and town has accomplished. He thanked them for their hard
 5 work and efforts.
 6 Councilor Breslin said it was possible because the council and staff invited people to share
 7 their ideas and be involved. The 125th Anniversary was a good example.

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 9 **MOTION: Councilor Leland made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Stuckey**
 10 **seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

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 12 The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

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 14 Respectfully Submitted,

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 20 Mayor Bob Gordon

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 23 Town Clerk Melody Harrison
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**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. TC-2014-25**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORTING
THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO AND
THE COMPLETION OF COMMUNITY SPORTS PARK PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, and therefore an eligible applicant for a grant awarded by Great Outdoors Colorado ("GOCO"); and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle has submitted a Grant Application for the Community Sports Park requesting a total award of \$347,245; and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle supports the completion of the Community Sports Park Project if a grant is awarded by the GOCO.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Town of New Castle **THAT:**

- Section 1: The Town of New Castle strongly supports the application and has appropriated matching funds for a grant with Great Outdoors Colorado.
- Section 2: If the grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle strongly supports the completion of the project.
- Section 3: The Town of New Castle authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any Grant awarded.
- Section 4: The project site will be under the control of the Town of New Castle for the next 25 years.
- Section 5: The Town of New Castle will continue to maintain the Community Sports Park in a high quality condition and will appropriate funds for maintenance in its annual budget.
- Section 6: If the grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the grant agreement with Great Outdoors Colorado.

Introduced, Read and Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of New Castle, Colorado, on August 19, 2014.

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

ATTEST:

Bob Gordon, Mayor

Melody L Harrison, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. TC-2014 -26**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE
APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE GARFIELD COUNTY FEDERAL MINERAL LEASE
DISTRICT FOR THE REMODEL OF THE LOWER LEVEL OF THE TOWN OWNED PUBLIC
WORKS BUILDING FOR NEW POLICE OFFICES.**

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, and therefore an eligible applicant for a grant awarded by the Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District ("GCFMLD"); and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle has submitted a Grant Application for the Remodel of the Lower Level of the Public Works Building for New Police Offices requesting a total award of \$- _____; and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle supports the Remodel of the Lower Level of the Public Works Building for New Police Offices if a grant is awarded by the GCFMLD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Town of New Castle THAT:

1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated as findings by the Town of New Castle.
2. The Town of New Castle strongly supports the Grant Application.
3. If the grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle strongly supports the completion of the Remodel of the Lower Level of the Public Works Building for New Police Offices.
4. The Town of New Castle authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any grant awarded pursuant to a Grant Agreement with the GCFMLD.
5. The project property is owned by the Town of New Castle. The Town of New Castle will continue to maintain the property in a high quality condition and will appropriate funds for maintenance annually. The estimated annual maintenance cost of said properties is estimated to be \$_____ annually.
6. If a grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign a Grant Agreement with the GCFMLD.

Introduced, Read and Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of New Castle, Colorado, on August 19, 2014.

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

ATTEST:

Bob Gordon, Mayor

Melody L Harrison, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF NEW CASTLE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. TC-2014 - 27**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL
SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FROM THE GARFIELD
COUNTY FEDERAL MINERAL LEASE DISTRICT FOR TRAIL MAINTENANCE
EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle is a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, and therefore an eligible applicant for a grant awarded by the Garfield County Federal Mineral Lease District ("GCFMLD"); and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle has submitted a Grant Application for trail maintenance equipment requesting a total award of \$24,534.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town of New Castle supports the acquisition of trail maintenance equipment if a grant is awarded by the GCFMLD.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Town of New Castle **THAT:**

1. The above recitals are hereby incorporated as findings by the Town of New Castle.
2. The Town of New Castle strongly supports the Grant Application.
3. If the grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle strongly supports the acquisition of trail maintenance equipment.
4. The Town of New Castle authorizes the expenditure of funds necessary to meet the terms and obligations of any grant awarded pursuant to a Grant Agreement with the GCFMLD.
5. The trail maintenance equipment will be owned by the Town of New Castle and will be owned by The Town of New Castle for its foreseeable, useful life. The Town of New Castle will utilize this equipment for maintenance of our trail system, which includes the 335 trail and pedestrian bridge. The estimated annual maintenance cost of the trail maintenance equipment is \$250.00.
6. If a grant is awarded, the Town of New Castle hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign a Grant Agreement with the GCFMLD.

Introduced, Read and Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of New Castle, Colorado, on August 19, 2014.

TOWN OF NEW CASTLE

ATTEST:

Bob Gordon, Mayor

Melody L Harrison, Town Clerk



United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Colorado River Valley Field Office
2300 River Frontage Road
Silt, Colorado 81652



IN REPLY REFER TO

MOU _____

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between TOWN OF NEW CASTLE And the BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

I. Introduction

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth roles and responsibilities for Cooperating Agencies as agreed to between the Town of New Castle and the Colorado River Valley Field Office (CRVFO) of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for the purposes of collaborative planning and production of an Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for Previously Issued Oil and Gas Leases in the White River National Forest.

II. Purpose

The Bureau of Land Management in carrying forth its responsibilities and mandates under the National Environmental Policy Act and Council of Environmental Quality regulations at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 1500 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (as amended) CFR Part 1600 recognizes a compelling need to ensure that the interests of the Town of New Castle are accounted for, and are meaningfully involved in the EIS.

As such the Town of New Castle has indicated interest in and the BLM has agreed to grant Cooperating Agency Status pursuant to 40 CFR 1501.6, 1501.2, and 1501.8. Under these regulations, the BLM recognizes that the Town of New Castle has expertise as it relates to social and economic conditions, transportation systems and networks, history, and institutions.

III. Agency Designations

Each participating entity will designate one primary representative to act as a point of contact in ensuring coordination between the Town of New Castle and BLM during the planning process. An entity may change its point of contact at any time by providing written notice to the other party. Appendix A specifies the primary representatives. Cooperating agencies may also bring "in-house" specialists concerning specific topic areas when discussion warrants such expertise.

- o Information relative to socioeconomic data, such as demographics, activities, and values.
- iv. Review and provide comment within scheduled deadlines of receipt of preliminary baseline reports or other technical reports where the Town of New Castle has provided data or other such information in order to complete the report.
- v. Review and provide comments within scheduled deadlines of receipt of the following sections of the draft EIS.
 - o Preliminary range of alternatives to be considered in detail.
 - o Relevant portions of the "Affected Environment" section.
 - o Relevant portions of the "Environmental Consequences" section.
 - o Relevant portions of the "Consultation and Coordination" section including information on consistency reviews.
- vi. During public review periods for the Draft EIS, provide the BLM a consolidated comprehensive review of the Draft EIS.
- vii. The Town of New Castle will assist the BLM in analyzing and reviewing public comments/data and work with BLM in the development of the FEIS.

c. Joint Responsibilities

All records or information requested of either party by the other will be reviewed by the releasing party prior to release. To the extent permissible under law, any recipient of proprietary and/or pre-decisional information agrees not to disclose, transmit, or otherwise divulge this information without prior approval from the releasing party. Any breach of this provision may result in termination of this MOU. The BLM and the Town of New Castle recognize that applicable public records laws will require release of non-exempt documents.

VI. Funding

Each entity agrees to fund its own expenses associated with this planning process.

VII. Joint Responsibilities

The parties agree to use their best efforts to meet the time frames established in the agreement, to work cooperatively, and to resolve differences as quickly as possible.

VIII. Implementation, Amendment, and Termination

This agreement becomes effective upon signature by all parties, and may be subsequently amended through written agreement of all signatories. The parties agree to jointly develop a framework for information exchange and feedback within 60 days of signing.

The Town of New Castle or BLM may terminate this agreement by providing written notice of termination to the other party. If not terminated sooner, this agreement will end when the notice of availability for the last final EIS is published in the Federal Register.

Appendix A:

Agency Point of Contact

Bureau of Land Management:

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Town of New Castle

(Name)
(Address)
(Phone)
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Agency Representatives

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(Fax)
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