

**TOWN OF LIMON
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting
November 8, 2012
7:00 P.M.**

Notice of this meeting was posted at Town Hall on November 6, 2012.

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

ROLL

Town Clerk Chris Snyder called roll. Members of the Board present: Mayor Coonts; Trustees: Andersen, Beattie, Hawthorne, Hendricks, Kelly and King.

STAFF

Staff present: Town Manager Stone, Assistant Manager Kiely, Chief of Police Yowell, and Town Clerk Snyder.

GUESTS

Ellen Jane Anderson, Robert Raines, J.R. Walker, Shane Johnson and Pat Haley.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING; ANNEXATION OF THE LIMON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

Mayor Coonts opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

Assistant Town Manager Kiely presented a report on the application that was brought by the Town of Limon for property that included the Limon Municipal Airport.

The Colorado Department of Transportation has agreed and consented to the annexation and landowners were give notice by letter to have their property considered.

The annexation because it is public right-of-way and Town of Limon property, has a Declaration of Annexation.

All requirements of the Land Development Code have been met, including notices of hearings both for the Planning Commission and hearings before the Town Board in the Limon Leader.

On September 18th the Planning Commission recommended approval.

Notices were published and the requirement for an annexation impact report was waived by agreement between the Town and Lincoln County.

The Town Board on October 4, 2012 approved Resolution No. 12-10-34 as eligible for annexation.

Kiely reviewed the Declaration of Annexation.

He talked about the recommend zoning of Light Industrial (LI) including the addition in the Airport Overlay Zone District (O-A). He reported on the recommended Special Use Review Use of Commercial Airports and Heliports.

There were no written comments from the public.

Pat Haley asked what the purpose for annexation was and was told by staff that is was for the Town to have control over its property since the airport is owned by the Town. Building permits

would go through the Town instead of the County. He asked about the effect on leased hangars and was told it will increase property tax. He asked if the purpose was to raise revenue and was told that was not the reason.

Ellen Jane Anderson asked how maintenance of the property would be affected and was told that would not change.

Trustee Hawthorne asked if the entire airport is included and was told it is.

Shane Johnson talked about the airport in Canyon City that is in a Light Industrial Zone that has other businesses and how successful it is. He mentioned that the pilots would have like to be notified. Staff repeated that public notice was given in the newspaper and multiple hearings were held, both with the Planning Commission and Town Board. The process started in June.

Ellen Jane Anderson questioned why she had talked to Town Board members and could not get information. Assistant Town Manager Kiely explained the quasi-judicial process and that the Board members are not allowed to talk outside of the hearing. He recommended that questions be directed to Town Manager Stone who can discuss the issues.

Mayor Coonts closed the public hearing at 7:35 p.m.

ORDINANCE NO. 559; AIRPORT ANNEXATION

Mayor Coonts introduced and there was read the title of the following proposed ordinance and the entire text of said ordinance was submitted in writing to each member of the Board of Trustees and the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 559; An Ordinance Amending the Land Development Code of the Town of Limon Adopted by Ordinance 376 By Annexing the Limon Municipal Airport Addition to the Town of Limon with a Zone District Designation of Light Industrial (LI), Including the Addition in the Airport Overlay Zone District (O-A), Approving the Statement of Annexation and Approving Special Use Review.

Trustee Beattie moved to approve Ordinance No. 559; seconded by Trustee Hendricks. Motion carried unanimously.

DOLA APPLICATION

Town Manager Stone asked for approval to submit an energy impact grant application to DOLA to assist with planned sewer and water projects.

Trustee King moved to approve the grant application; seconded by Trustee Hawthorne. Motion carried unanimously.

CDOT REDISTRICTING

Assistant Manager Kiely reported on a meeting he attended where the proposed CDOT redistricting was explained.

Trustee Beattie moved to send a letter to CDOT outlining the Town's concerns with the redistricting; seconded by Trustee Hendricks.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee King moved to adjourn at 8:50 p.m.; seconded by Trustee Hawthorne. Motion carried unanimously.

TOWN CLERK _____

MAYOR _____