

**TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**Teleconference via GoToMeeting**  
**Wednesday, January 22, 2025**  
**3:31pm**

Mayor Paulin, Vice Mayor Sitoula and Councilwoman Grumbine met in work session via teleconference on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. Also, in attendance were Town Manager Ryan Hicks and Town Clerk Andrea Brady.

Tax Credit – Town Manager Hicks and the Council discussed the rehabilitation tax credit request. The County has created a rehabilitation tax credit program, as is the Town of La Plata. Town Manager Hicks will work on it and model it after the county’s program. The program gives a phased in approach for around 3 to 5 years on tax assessments. This is to help with properties that have been rehabilitated, which causes a large jump in their property assessment and their tax bill. The program allows them to get a return on their investment and phase into the higher tax assessment. The concern is that it could become a deterrent to those interested in rehabilitating properties if we do not have a program to assist them. Council was in agreement to move forward.

February Town Meeting Agenda – No changes or additions.

Roundtable:

Mayor – None

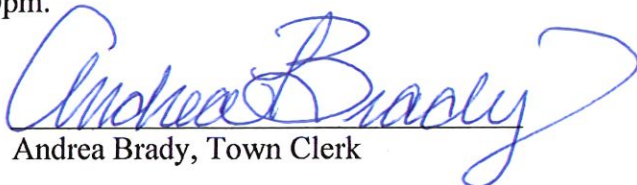
Vice Mayor – Vice Mayor Sitoula discussed a request received to scatter ashes on the Village Green. He was in favor of honoring the request. Council agreed. Council also agreed to do a seal in recognition of Cary Drinkard.

Councilwoman – None

Town Manager – There was recently a heating issue at the Pavilion that was taken care of. There is a hot water issue in the kitchen that we are in the progress of addressing.

Town Clerk – Town Clerk Brady gave a 4<sup>th</sup> of July planning update and asked for input on live entertainment.

Mayor Paulin adjourned the meeting at 3:40pm.

  
Andrea Brady, Town Clerk