President's Message

John Schnittgrund

The 2018 elections were held at White Fence Farm prior to the November dinner. The meeting was well attended with more than 90 in attendance. The board for 2018 was elected and those Board members are as follows:

John Schnittgrind President: Dave Metzler Vice President: Lynne Mullen Secretary; Paulette Schnittgrund Treasurer.

Board Members:

Barb Miller, Glen Miller, Mike Mullen, Tony Ventura, Sheryl Ventura, Mark Chaffin, Janice Queen.

Audit Committee:

Charlotte Chaffin, JC Tyus, Harry Queen.

We thank Donna Gordanier and Roger Barker for their work and time on the Board, this year. If any member wishes to get involved let any member of the board know and you are welcome to participate.

It's been a while since we reported on our pension work. Everything has slowed because the Pension Board has decided that it will meet every two months. This has slowed our participation because questions we are asking take a long time to answer. We still have no idea why the audit was conducted and we still have not seen the conclusions as reported by the audit company.

I have asked for and received minutes of meetings from 1998 to 2016, and I have asked for but have not received the contract and related reports concerning the audit and the results.

After reviewing the minutes, it appears that most of the Board work concerning the audit was conducted in executive sessions. It seems that the whole audit and reasons for the audit were a big secret.

The review of the minutes has also revealed some other irregularities and we have raised questions those matters. An e-mail was sent to the City Attorney asking about compliance with Colorado Open Meetings Laws and we have not received any answers.

We can't tell if the City is slow walking our concerns but we are not going away. Hopefully we can get the answers we need at the next meeting in December.

This is very frustrating but we will stay with it.

Happy Thanksgiving to all retirees and their families. If we can help you with anything please let us know.