

January 3, 2013

Meeting began at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Steve Cox, Sue Inman, Gladys LeFevre, Tom Jerome,  
Council Members; Judi Davis, Clerk.  
Public Present: Keith Watts and Lisa Varga, Cheryl Cox, Ashley Coombs, Peg Smith,  
John and Marsha Holland.

Pledge of allegiance

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes of December 6. Sue seconded the motion.  
The vote was unanimous.

John Holland, Coordinator of the **Scenic Byway Committee**, presented their **annual report**. He left written copies and copies of the current route guide, which is available to all businesses. The past year marked 10 years of national designation. They are working with UDOT to update signage identifying Scenic Byway 12 as an All-American Highway.

He reviewed their current projects: Red Canyon Visitor Center improvements, five wayside improvements, Red Canyon bike path planning, an economic impact study, and gateway signage. Boulder's representative to the committee, Scott Brodie, has resigned. Bill Geil volunteered to fill the spot, with Keith Watts and Scott Brodie volunteering to attend meetings when Bill is not in town.

John then listed the committee's goals and identified their funding sources, which are mainly contributions from the counties involved, grants, and a dinner at the Bryce Canyon half-marathon. Future funding is uncertain, but they would like to help us if there is money available that would match our needs.

John addressed TOTS, which is UDOT's administrative policy stating how they will manage the tourism-oriented directional signage program. There has been a 36-month waiting period before action can be taken if a supportive legislator can be found to move the process forward. The waiting period ends June 8, 2013. John will bring it up to Steve Kunzler of UDOT. Tom made a motion we accept Bill Geil to be Boulder's representative to the Scenic Byway Committee, with Keith Watts and Scott Brodie as substitutes. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. (Corry Johnson came.)

Peg, representing the **Boulder Community Alliance**, repeated last month's announcement that they will be holding an information gathering session in the

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Community Center on Tuesday, January 15, from 5:00-7:30 at which they will invite the community to present ideas of things BCA could be involved with, such as scheduling and coordinating of events. She specifically invited the Council to attend. She wants to have a good discussion with notes on suggested projects.

**Department reports** were given. There have been some road improvements made, with brush cleaning done around the school and the Biglers'. UDOT will provide sign posts when we are ready to install street identification signs. Sue wants to get this project done this year after it warms up.

Steve will continue pursuing information on audio/visual equipment. The Fire Department has 10 people planning to go to Winter Fire School. It is an opportunity for good training and for bonding. Funding will come from the Fire Department budget.

The Planning Commission is working on a review of the General Plan. Tom reported to them the Town Council's discussion on dark skies. No movement will be made on the new changes proposed to the Zoning Ordinance until Bruce Parker can come to discuss it and answer questions. We also hope that he will answer questions on a few other matters while he is here. Ray and BJ were thanked for their service, and Cindy Wilson and Caroline Gaudy were welcomed to the Commission.

The Mayor, regarding the lighting, reminded us that the lights around town that pre-existed the ordinance are legal and that residents had been offered an opportunity to bring them into compliance. The Town had Garkane turn off the street light across from the post office some years ago. The light across the street was left on for safety reasons because there was no outside lighting in front of the Town Hall. The Council needs to decide whether to leave it on or have it turned off and what to do with the one by the basketball court. Because the cost of the lights on this building is probably minimal (Judi will try to get a cost by next month) and because he has heard almost no complaints of their effect on the night sky, he would like to leave them as is. However, he could be convinced otherwise if there were real feedback from a large part of the community that supported a change. The Council will make the final decision.

The Clerk announced that the public hearings on the partial vacation of the Springhill Subdivision and approval of the Full Moon Farms Subdivision were continued from last month to this meeting. All of the consent forms have been received. The Scotts' and Peebles' forms have been recorded at the County, and Rachel's form has been sent there to be recorded. Rachel has been contacted and was left a message telling her the amount of the bond she needs to post or that, alternatively, she can send a check for \$13,500 (3 x \$4500) to cover the cost of the fire hydrants to Boulder Farmstead. If that action has been taken by February 7, we will approve both applications at our meeting that night at 7:00.

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Cheryl asked to discuss the **cell phone problems** in town. She said we are a neglected area and that Verizon is the biggest problem. However, the problem may be resolved tomorrow. Cell phones aren't just a convenience, they fill a safety and economic need. The Town may need to contact the FCC to get the problem resolved. Even if it is settled tomorrow, it may be an ongoing problem. We should work through the FCC or our congressman rather than the individual companies. She asked what we can do to make it stable. Gladys made a motion that Judi write to the County Commissioners expressing our concerns and asked if they can do anything to help. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Steve made a motion the meeting adjourn. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk