

November 5, 2015

Meeting began at 7:10 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Pete Benson, Gladys LeFevre, Cindy Wilson, Council Members; Judi Davis, Clerk.

Absent: Steve Cox.

Public Present: Ashley Coombs, Keith Watts, Farlan and Mary Behunin, visitor.

Pledge of allegiance

Gladys made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 1 meeting as presented. Pete seconded the motion. Bill, Gladys and Pete voted in favor. Cindy abstained because she wasn't at the October meeting.

The **Wayne Community Health Center** has asked for a letter of support for a grant they're applying for. Gladys read the draft letter and Cindy made a motion to approve our sending it. Gladys seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

Keith Watts and Bill Geil are Boulder's representatives on the **Scenic Byway 12** Committee. Keith reported on their October 20 meeting. They are looking for a manufacturer of TODS signs and will probably contact us when they are ready to proceed. The Hole-in-the-Rock sign was vandalized, and a reward is being offered for information on who did it. The Forest Service spends \$35,000/year for sign vandalism. The biggest contributors to the State's economy are, first, mining, and second, tourism. The Mighty Five ad campaign is the most successful ad campaign ever.

The Scenic Byway program is no longer funded by the federal government, so they are looking for other sources of funding. Garfield and Wayne counties have both contributed to it in the past and the Committee is hoping they will continue. The State has created the Utah Scenic Byways Strategic Livability Plan, and it can be found online at ([www.utahscenicbyways.com](http://www.utahscenicbyways.com)). They are trying to promote tourism in rural areas. For federal funding, there is a MAP 21 program that funds projects along scenic byways. They are soliciting proposals, with grant applications for shovel-ready projects due in January. John Holland has information if we're interested. They're looking for other sources of funding. If none is found, the program may disappear. They may take on a different role and become an advocate for local communities with tourism issues. We need to define what we want tourism to look like. They are working on road stabilization solutions for the Hole-in-the-Rock road. Some bed and breakfasts and vacation rental by owner establishments are operating under the radar and are not paying their transient room taxes. The VRBOs also take away from affordable housing. How do we want the

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Scenic Byways program to evolve? Do we want to participate in the Scenic Byways Livability Plan? Their next meeting is in February.

Gladys has done some research on **playground stairs** and will do some studying on regulations before we decide how to proceed.

Gladys made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 15-3**, Garkane Energy Franchise Agreement. Cindy seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

The **Christmas program and market** were discussed. Gladys had suggested to Amelia that the Boulder Community Alliance coordinate the program with the school, and Gladys will be the Town liaison. Cindy will work with Caroline Gaudy to plan a schedule for the market.

We have an **excess fund balance** of \$28,351 that needs to be budgeted into this year's budget. Several suggestions were made. Gladys made a motion that we put \$2,351 toward EMT training, \$13,000 in the Capital Projects line item (to be used for parking lot, Firehouse covered porch, and playground stairs), and \$13,000 for the Tract Park. Cindy seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Gladys made a motion to approve the **checks issued in October**. Pete seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

The first quarter budget comparison wasn't finished and will be presented in December.

Cindy had Farlan comment on the **landfill**. He wondered if the Council would agree to having the pipeline contractor dig a new burn pit under Farlan's supervision while they're here with their large trackhoe. The pits as they are now are too wide and are hard to maintain. He also requested a few loads of dirt in exchange for his labor. Farlan was authorized to negotiate with the contractor. Judi will figure out what they owe for loads taken out on weekdays, and they could exchange their work for that. We need to put a sign on the bulletin board reminding people about the landfill rules.

We will patch the holes in the Lower Boulder Road before winter and the County will chip seal for us next summer.

Cindy is going to an EMT conference in December. The County will pay the course fee, and she asked if we would pay for her motel room (\$330.)

Pete reported that the Planning Commission discussed the Hills and Hollows subdivision application and had concerns about the setbacks. John Veranth and Donna are working together to solve the problem. The PC's continuing review of Conditional Use Permits

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has turned up a lot of problems, and they will be sending letters to past applicants of those permits.

More grass has been planted at the Tract Park, and construction of a rock wall is well underway. The restrooms are closed and winterized.

Winter Fire School is coming up in January and we'll have people attending.

Pete will not be here for the December meeting.

Cindy made a motion the meeting adjourn. Gladys seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30.

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Minutes Prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk