

November 6, 2014

Meeting began at 7:04 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Gladys LeFevre, Cindy Wilson, Steve Cox, Tom Jerome,
Council Members; Judi Davis, Clerk.

Public Present: Carla Saccomano, Katie Austin, Cathy Bagley, Ace Kvale, Dennis
Bertucci.

Pledge of allegiance

Tom made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 9 meeting. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Proposed **Resolution 2014-5**, declaring the **Upper Jepsen Road** to be a public road, was discussed. There was a question on maintenance of the road. We have done some in the past. When removing snow, the County damaged the culvert, and we had it replaced. Gladys read the resolution and made a motion that we adopt Resolution 2014-5 as read. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. (Peg Smith came.)

Dennis asked the Town Council to provide **funding** for Cindy Wilson to take an **Advanced EMT** course. Randy is the only advanced EMT we have, and he is not always available. Cindy is qualified and willing, so he would like us to come up with funding so she can take the course that will be offered in Richfield beginning in January. The Council asked Cindy to present an estimate of the cost, and we will make a decision in December.

Ace discussed **exercise mats** for the community room. Five would be needed to cover the floor. The ones he has found are 20' x 30' and would be 31" tall rolled up. If they were stood up, they would be 6' high. The cost is \$2,070 plus shipping. Storage is a problem. They are lightweight. He wondered if they could stay down most of the time. There would have to be an understanding that the people using them would have to roll them up if there were going to be a different activity in the room between exercise sessions. Ace would offer kids/adult training and would provide release forms. He will look for funding. Tom suggested that he ask for money pledges to see if people are willing to support it. A rolling cart to be used as storage was considered. It was suggested that the metal chairs could be stored outside and would be available for people who need to borrow chairs. This might make enough room in the closet for the mats to be stored vertically. There was a question on liability. Previous research on similar matters has shown that the courts acknowledge that there is some danger inherent in certain activities and that people participating go into it know this. However, the fact that

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we provide mats and have participants sign release forms shows our due diligence and should reduce our liability. We are looking at new surfacing for the playground. Tom made a motion that, pending funding, the Town Council is in favor of having mats. Cindy seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Last month it was suggested that we look into establishing a **Recycling Market Development Zone** in order to help the local recycling effort. Tina, Constance and a committee operate the program as a private enterprise, with the Town's only involvement being providing a place for it to take place. After some discussion, it was decided that, because the recycling group is not yet ready with a plan for the future, the discussion will be postponed. Peg clarified that the Boulder Community Alliance is not involved in the recycling program.

The Town received three bids for the **Restroom/Pavilion construction** project, with the low bidder being Tushar Contracting. Steve made a motion that we award the contract to Tushar Contracting with a bid of \$117,500. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. They will start the project in the spring.

A side conversation was held about the **sidewalk lighting** at this building. We need lighting at the end of the sidewalk, and it was suggested that we see if Tushar's electrician would add two lights while they are here doing the park project. As a temporary measure, the Mayor has attached flashlights to the posts to provide night lighting and has ordered solar lights to replace them, but both are seen as a temporary solution. Tom reported that Garkane will replace the security light by the basketball pad within the next two weeks to become compliant with our ordinance. He suggested that, based on how satisfactory that light is, it may be less expensive to have a similar light placed at the front of the building than to extend the current sidewalk lighting to the end of the walk.

We will schedule two public hearings to begin at 6:30 before the December meeting to receive comment on opening the budget to add \$25,000 to the Tract Park improvements budget and on the Planning Commission's recommendation for changes to the Temporary Use Permit section of the Zoning Ordinance.

The list of **October expenditures** was discussed, and there was a question on the expenses of the Arbor Day celebration. The celebration is required as part of the Tree City program, but Steve doesn't believe there is a category to cover the cost of the lunch. He will check on it. Gladys made a motion we approve the October checks issued, with the stipulation that Steve get clarification on the lunch. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Cindy reported that Loch has dug a new construction pit at the landfill. In her road report, she stated that Corry had trouble with a pothole on the Lower Boulder Road. He and

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Lexxi hit it and broke a strut, and the vehicle was undriveable and had to be towed. He is requesting that the town pay for the repairs. There is only one speed limit sign on the Lower Boulder Road, and it is facing the northbound lane of traffic. There is a lot of speeding in Lower Boulder. The prevailing speed limit in the area is 25 mph. Cindy will order several speed limit signs and will also get a portable sign to put in temporary places when the need arises. The pothole in question appears to be the result of a previous repair that failed during a heavy rain and continues to gradually deteriorate. Judi will check with Mark to see if we are obligated to pay for the damage, and Cindy will have Sam fill that pothole and two other smaller ones with gravel for the winter until we can get asphalt to fix them.

Tom reported that the Planning Commission has finalized the wording on the Temporary Use Permit section of the Zoning Ordinance and are sending their recommendation to us. We will have the public hearing before our December meeting. They have worked on it for a long time. At their meeting next week they will be considering an application from Tom Hoyt for rezoning of a parcel of land.

The rock work has been done at the corner park, and Tom is working on getting information for the playground surface. The floor in the Post Office lobby needs to be replaced. Gladys will check on flooring; we can probably get a remnant.

Cheryl reported that the Arts Council is planning their 2015 events. If anyone wants to present a show or can suggest a program, they should contact Cheryl, Tina, or Dianne.

In order to let people know his situation, Bill discussed his health issues. He has a neurological condition that affects his motor functions, speech and balance and has post-polio syndrome, for which there is no cure. This will not affect his ability to serve as mayor, and he will continue to do so unless the Council can see that he needs to step down.

We will update the Capital Improvements list next month.

Cindy made a motion that we adjourn. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30.