

April 7, 2016

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Gladys LeFevre, Farlan Behunin, Steve Cox, Pete Benson, Council Members;
Judi Davis, Clerk.

Absent and excused: Bill Muse, Mayor.

Public Present: Peg Smith, Mary Behunin, Chyleen Mackey, Ashley Coombs, Tina
Karlsson, Josh Ellis, *Heather McDevitt, *Blake Spalding, **Tim Ridges.

Pledge of allegiance

Farlan made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8 meeting as presented. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The order of the agenda was revised. Tina discussed the **Boulder Recycles** lease. (*) It was discovered that the copy of Item #7, Indemnification, which the Council and Tina received was not the one revised by Mark, but was an old one. The correct one will be sent, and we will consider it at the next meeting. It will take time to get funding and the CUP, so the delay is not a problem. Tina asked how the Council feels about them continuing to do what they have been doing while the other things are moving forward. Steve is not opposed to them continuing as is with baling the cardboard and recycling the plastic and aluminum. They will use the same fence to mask the site. As soon as they sign the lease, we get the insurance, and they pay for it, they can start with the rest of their program.

Josh Ellis would like to work with Boulder Community Alliance to do daytime children's activities on the **4th of July**. Blake stated that BCA wants all of the community to be involved in all activities and believes that the 4th of July is a good place to start. Blake, as the Board President, said they want to help if we want them to. Steve would like to see the Boulder Mountain Lodge/Hell's Backbone Grill work with the Town for the evening activity. Blake responded that they have historically done their activities in a way that they have been non-competitive. We don't need less celebrating. Steve would like to let them have Patrick and his group for their evening and the Town not sponsor a dance. It has been difficult to involve people in a dance, even though many kinds of music have been tried. We could end the Town-sponsored activities after dinner and let them do the evening activities after that. Blake thought a contradance would be fun. The Boulder Arts Council will gladly turn the band/dance over to the BCA. It was reported that Ana has found a caller and is looking for music. At present, the Town festivities are scheduled for July 2 and the Lodge/Grill activities for the 4th, which may make it easier for our evening activities to draw a crowd. There was some discussion on the dinner.

Fewer people are attending, and it may be that we need to change the menu. All agreed that the Dutch oven dinners of the past were always popular, but Larry, Farlan and Leo are all unable to do it any more. Someone spoke to Larry and Judi a while ago about possibly reviving it. They are willing to let their ovens be used and to offer supervision but aren't able to do the heavy work. After discussion on combining the two into a one-day celebration, Gladys asked the BCA to come back next month with a proposal. Blake asked if we would consider allowing fireworks. It was agreed that the majority of people like them, but the problem the last few years has been the weather—it has been too dry to risk having them.

Steve made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 16-2**, Amending the Zoning Ordinance to Remove Mobile Food Concessions as a Listed Long-term Temporary Use. Pete seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

On behalf of the Boulder Arts Council, Tina discussed Todd Campbell's offer to fund four **flags for the Tract Park pavilion**. They are proposed to be used only during events and will be colorful, festive flags. Steve asked about the infrastructure. What would the images be? Who will put them up and take them down? Four flagpoles will be needed, two to be placed at the pavilion, one at the corner by Highway 12, and one at the entrance to the park. Steve doesn't want the Town to be responsible, but would rather have a group do it. He also asked who will maintain the flagpoles. Tina feels the project needs a formal proposal. Steve feels we should have a public hearing to decide if we will move ahead on them. (**)

Sully Serr has submitted his letter of resignation as **custodian of the Community Center and groundskeeper** of the Tract Park, effective later this month. We will post a notice asking for interested people to submit their names before the next meeting. The seasonal work will be for a custodian at the Community Center and the Tract Park restrooms and maintenance of the Tract Park and snow removal as needed. It will require approximately 400 hours during the season (May-October) and will pay \$14/hour.

Steve led a discussion on the **tree pruning and sprinkler system bids**. The Tree City money has to be spent by June. Jaime Pace was the only bidder. The cost will be \$13,000 for removing some Town trees and pruning others. It will improve the appearance of the trees, increase safety, and promote the health of the trees. It includes chipping, cutting into lengths for firewood, and clean-up. This is the first time we've had the Town trees cared for in this way and will be the only time it needs to be done. There may in the future be a need for occasional routine pruning. If we accept the bid, Steve will let him know and will notify townspeople that he is coming so they can arrange for him to do their trees (at their expense) if they want. The cost of the sprinkler system will be paid from the park budget. Pete made a motion we accept the bid from Jaime Pace for pruning the town trees and installing a sprinkler system at the Tract Park (\$8,465, to be split

between the Tree City and Tract Park budgets.) Farlan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The **Tree City budget** balance at the beginning of the year contained \$23,192. Money budgeted since then is: \$1,483.52 - newsletter; \$1,051.27 - library books; \$685.34 - trees; \$850 - Russian Olive removal; \$380 - Arbor Day; \$305 - tree inventory; \$13,000 - pruning; \$1,870 - water system; \$? - training workshop; \$3,147.67 - unspent, but ideas are being considered.

The letter submitted by citizens requesting that UDOT lower the **speed limit** through Town was discussed. There were a few speed limit numbers that will be changed. Farlan made a motion we approve sending the letter to UDOT. Pete seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The Mayor and all Council Members will sign it.

The current procedure for **enforcement of issues of noncompliance** was discussed. It requires that a person sign a letter of complaint. Steve received a letter from a citizen requesting anonymity and asked if we could follow the guidelines that are currently in place but not require a signature on the letter. The citizen also asked if the Planning Commission would review the situation to see if it is a violation. The Council feels that the person complaining should be responsible for verifying the problem by citing the ordinance violations with specifics. It is not a duty of the PC to be involved in enforcement. Peg said that the ordinances have to be enforced. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that for one year the Council will accept and act on letters of complaint (which include citation of the section of the ordinance being violated) that have not been signed, then revisit it to see if it is working. Letters must be sent to the Town Clerk, who will then pass them on to the Enforcement Officer.

Farlan reported that the County took out a pipe in the subdivision and wonders who is responsible for fixing it. When the pipe was installed, it was higher than the road surface, and Farlan feels we need a policy that pipes need to be 4-6" below the surface of the road. This is a problem that needs to be addressed. An approach to a Town road should require a certain size pipe and certain depth. Farlan will draft a proposal for a policy/ordinance regarding an approach to a Town road.. The landfill is full. Loch will take the track hoe out and dig a new construction pit. It needs to be burned again.

Pete reported that the Planning Commission is working on accessory dwelling units and had a public hearing at their last meeting. The majority of people who spoke are in favor of small mother-in-law housing. It won't happen soon. They will have a continuation of the public hearing next Wednesday.

Steve reported that the width of the entrance to the Tract Park has been increased to 24' and expressed thanks to the County for their help. A top rail is being placed on the fence.

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A culvert extension at the Lodge pond allows the trail to be further from the road. The County will begin hauling gravel for the trail. Sam has created a storage pad for compost and wood chips behind the restrooms. Steve has created a list of things totaling about \$25,000 to see if we have enough money to do some projects. The big expenses are painting the pavilion pillars and installing the sprinkler system. We will also plant new trees. The mower has been fixed.

Gladys is still working on finding steps for the slide. The least expensive she could find are \$2,600, but today she found some that are much less expensive but would require us to buy 2 x 6's. Our playground equipment is outdated, so she doesn't want to invest a lot. We'll have to have someone remove the metal apparatus, and the wooden parts of the new stairs will have to be painted with a heavy coat of a plastic finish to avoid splinters. We may even be able to use some vinyl fencing material or plastic decking. Chyleen suggested that we could get a rubberized deck paint if we use wood.

Pete talked to Karen Terry. She is concerned about the dog mess on the lawn. The weeds are taking over on the corner pocket park where the flowering trees are. We need to put fabric under the gravel, and it won't be an easy project. We should plan a volunteer day in May and see if we can get it done. We also need to buy a string trimmer for the town grounds—Karen used her own last year, but we need one for the town. We will tell her to buy one.

The man who was going to build the porch on the west side of the firehouse has moved, so we need to find someone else to do it.

Farlan made a motion that the meeting adjourn. Steve seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk