

May 2, 2013

Meeting began at 7:10 p.m.

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

Absent and excused: Sue Inman, Council Member.

Public Present: Peg Smith, Ray Nelson, Loch Wade, Cheryl Cox, Mat Thorn, Max
Shrives and five seasonal residents, Cindy Wilson.

Pledge of allegiance

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 16 meeting as presented. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Ray gave an update on the **grasshopper control program**. It is a little premature to implement a program, as it isn't grasshopper season yet. Any that people see now are some that have overwintered. Ray will meet with two people from the agriculture department tomorrow to look at things and talk about grants which will pay up to 50% of the cost of certain pesticides. We should encourage people to do something this year if we have the same population as last year. Last year's nolo bait is expensive and not effective. There are pesticides which are less damaging than Malathion, which won't be available. Ray will be putting out posters and fliers so people can know what options are available and make a decision as to what they want to use, if anything. We can work together to buy several kinds in bulk. Some people are opposed to pesticides, but these that will be proposed are supposed to be less harmful.

The State will provide reimbursement only if there are eight grasshoppers per square yard. There are still some details to work out, and participation is totally optional. Ray is not sure he is supportive of the options, but he may be when/if the grasshoppers come. The paperwork has to be in place when the population arrives. Eco Brand is the only one the State will provide, but it is toxic and can't be used on forage or on plants to be used for food. If there is something better, we have to find it and buy it, then send the receipts in to be reimbursed. People have to be committed to the program. If we don't do something, we'll reach a population that's very damaging and hard to control. Bill stated that we probably won't have a good result from the nolo bait. It will kill them, but it isn't cost effective. Ray said there is more work that needs to be done. There may be other options than the three suggested. Ray, Peg and Bill will continue to research a plan.

Cheryl reported on the **Boulder Arts Council's** plan to purchase a sound system. They have received enough money that they can place the order on Monday. They asked if they

can use a locked cupboard to store it in when it comes. We can use it for the 4th of July program. They asked if we want them to do the program. We would like them to do the dance and the program, and they may use a cupboard for storage of the sound system. The best solution to a lock would be for them to get a cable lock. Because the hall walls looked bare in the time between the first two art shows, they are trying to schedule some short shows between those they had planned to have. The Utah Arts Council (who have provided two shows) charge \$125/show, including bringing the art work to Boulder, setting it up, and taking it down when it's finished. They asked if the Council would be willing to pay for one show a year. Their shows are usually up for two months. Gladys asked if there were more local artists who would like to display their work. They do have local people who will do shows, but some of the local artists have most of their inventory tied up in galleries and don't have enough to do a whole show here. The Council was unanimous in their willingness to pay for one Utah Arts Council show a year.

Tom addressed concerns about **skateboarding**. Many places have skate parks in their communities. He understands that there is some way to limit our liability as long as we do some kind of posting stating that the activity is not condoned by the Town and we will not be liable for any injuries that occur. The other issue he sees is that we have agreed to let there be pickleball use of the pad, and others often play basketball on the court. If they would be willing to move the equipment when they aren't using it so that others can use the space, he'd be more amenable to trying to make some arrangement to let them use it. But he wants Mark McIff's input before he's willing to go any further. They offered to cover the cost of the signs.

Steve asked, since there are other activities that take place here, how we are covered for them. He and Bill wondered if we need more coverage than we have for all the activities that take place on the grounds. Judi will check with the insurance company; but we are covered for the exposure of "parks and playgrounds" but don't know exactly what activities that covers. Tom prefers that they not move it onto the grass and will designate a place they can put it while not in use. They could put wheels on it to make it easier to move. Tom wondered if they could sign some kind of waiver. Gladys thinks they need to move it every time they're finished so someone else doesn't use it and assume that it's a town facility.

Judi will call the insurance company and get their recommendation. It sometimes takes a week to hear back from them. Tom prefers that we not give them permission to continue until we have an answer. Otherwise, if we now say it's okay and someone is injured, we're liable. We're just trying to protect the Town. Peg wondered if they could start on the sign now while they're waiting for response from the insurance company and Mark. Tom asked them to contact a community which allows skateboarding and find out what their signs say.

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Corry has **paint** left from doing the firehouse and is willing to add a coat of paint to the railings and to paint the sheds and the doors on the firehouse and post office. After some discussion, it was agreed that we would ask him to put another coat on the railings, paint the outside doors of the post office and firehouse, and put two coats of paint on the sheds, using the leftover paint for all except the trim, which is to be the same color as the trim on the Community Center. (We have leftover paint for the trim.) The cost is not to exceed \$500.

Randy Catmull has resigned his position as Boulder's representative on the **Garfield County Planning Commission** and we need to recommend a replacement. We might think of using someone who has served on our PC. We'll put up a notice asking anyone who is interested in serving in that capacity to contact the Mayor immediately. In the meantime, Bill can ask a few people who were mentioned.

The **preliminary budget for 2013-14** was distributed and discussed. The Council will study the budget and return feedback to Judi before the June meeting. There was a discussion on several possible ways we could use our accumulated liquor money, including AA, counseling, support services, education programs, seminars, family support, and programs that deal with social problems. It was agreed that many programs won't be successful here because of the need for anonymity. Next year's Boulder Heritage Festival is going to have a theme of the history of health in Boulder, and they are planning to have a health fair as part of the program. They are willing to include an alcohol component which could both target youth and also let people get information and still remain anonymous.

The meeting was opened for public discussion on any concerns. Loch asked a question about procedure for the Council's action on an action of the Planning Commission, specifically an application for a zoning change. He wondered if the Council has to make some sort of motion to consider this issue. At its April meeting the Council knew that this consideration was upcoming and scheduled the public hearing for their June meeting. Because of the timing of the April meeting, this was the soonest we could give legal notice for the hearing. A side benefit is that we will have a chance to ask any questions we might have to Bruce Parker when he is here. Peg clarified that an email she sent was the official PC recommendation.

Peg stated that at the PC meeting on May 13 they will be discussing other ways to remedy these situations that don't involve zoning changes. If they find great solutions, Loch would withdraw his application.

Reporting on the Tract Park, Steve said that construction of the footbridge is underway and that they will begin work on the trails in a few weeks. They are working on solving water problems and think they have it fixed.

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Gladys reported that the State is making a **database of** all the **burials** in the Boulder area and asked that anyone who knows of any graves in the area that aren't in the cemetery please let her know so she can report them.

Tom reported that the **sprinkler system** is in and working. He is starting to plant and water the front. (Jabe Beal came.) The **window shades** are here, and he has asked Sean Dabington to help and asked if we would be willing to contract with him at \$20/hour to help Tom install them. The Council agreed to this arrangement. He has moved the tables into one of the sheds and will pick up padlocks for them. He is using the money he is paid as groundskeeper to pay for plants, fertilizer, etc. In response to a concern voiced by Jabe, he stated that there is **handicap access** to the park through the south side of the Post Office, then between it and the firehouse. Access has been a consideration in developing the park. A few rocks need to be moved. It was suggested that a paved surface might make it easier to get to the grassy area. It might be possible to put a ramp off the south side of the front landing, and handicap parking on the north side of the building would be good. Tom will see if we can get an estimate from Sam on the cost of the parking area.

The Council moved the date of the **budget hearing** to June 20 at 6:00, to be immediately followed by the meeting to adopt the budget.

There will be an instructional meeting for applying for CIB grants in Cedar City on May 21. Bill, Judi, and possibly Steve will plan to attend.

Gladys made a motion that we adjourn to executive session to discuss possible litigation and personnel. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Tom, yes; Steve, yes; Bill, yes; Gladys, yes. The Council adjourned to executive session at 8:55 p.m.

Gladys made a motion that open meeting resume. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: Gladys, yes; Bill, yes; Steve, yes; Tom, yes. Open meeting resumed at 9:26.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:26.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk