

July 7, 2016

Meeting began at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Bill Muse, Mayor; Gladys LeFevre, Pete Benson, Steve Cox, Farlan Behunin, Councilmembers.

Absent and excused: Judi Davis, Clerk.

Public Present: Dan McClendon, Carla Saccomano, Peg Smith, Ashley Coombs, Alyssa Thompson, Tina Karlsson, Loch Wade, Bill and Judith Geil, Mary Behunin, Corry Johnson, Skylar and Kelsie Trunnell, Brian , Jack Pollock.

Pledge of allegiance

Steve made a motion to approve the minutes of June 2 and June 16. Farlan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The order of the agenda was changed. Dan McClendon is here to discuss **night lighting**, particularly the Town's light south of this building and also the light about which Sam Stout has filed a complaint. Bill distributed a picture of the light we would like to have. In 2013 Garkane advertised a certain light. Tom ordered the light in 2014, but there were problems getting it. Mr. McClendon has come to discuss our options. Garkane wants to make right whatever misunderstanding there may be. If we didn't get what we thought we were getting, they will make it right. We need to identify what will meet the requirements of our ordinance so they will know what they should do going forward. There are different types of bulbs, and LED technology is changing. The first thing we could do is take the shroud off, as it now allows the light to go outward. He also wants to see if the light is installed correctly. If they know what is acceptable to us, they'll get it. Bill stated that our goal is to get what we can recommend as a standard, something that will shine straight down.

Pete stated that there are two issues at play: dark skies and light shining in neighbors' windows. The problem with the light Sam has discussed with us is that it is shining right in his window. If that light had a shade on it, that may solve the problem. All we need to do is to comply with our own ordinance. Mr. McClendon stated that this is an issue that is spreading throughout the area. The technology is getting better. They recently passed a tariff that if a community has a light, Garkane charges so much a month. If it is an LED light that was funded by a community, the monthly tariff drops almost in half. Alyssa asked how much it would cost to install one. Bill answered that we paid \$669, including the fixture. We need to have a standard, so that whatever goes up on a Garkane pole will meet that requirement.

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Mr. McClendon suggested that we find an actual working light somewhere in the system that fits our needs and tell him where it is so it can be identified. Loch asked why we couldn't just paint the diffuser. Alyssa volunteered to pick one from the International Dark Skies catalog and show it to us. Dan suggested that they compare it with the ones their vendors provide and compare prices. Alyssa will take care of that tomorrow. Peg said there are two problems: 1) the one we already bought and paid for, but which we want to swap out for a different one. We already swapped out the original one for this one just as Tom was leaving. It just isn't quite what we want; 2) the other one by Sam's which doesn't comply with the ordinance, so the owner should pay for changing it. It is privately owned but is on a Garkane pole. Alyssa said there is an individual in town who has offered to pay for any private individual's light that they would want to change because of that incentive (the metering being less.) She asked if the same incentive would be available to an individual. The answer is yes, as long as it's changing an existing light. We will find a light that is acceptable, then let the townspeople who have existing lights know of this proposal.

Some of the group went outside to look at the light on the court. Dan will send a crew who will take out the glass part of the shield. We'll leave it up for a few days for the Council to look at and see if that has solved the problem. If not, Dan will work with us to find what we want. When finished, we will have a standard for others to follow. Then we will approach those with non-complying lights; changing will be completely voluntary.

The Council will meet with the Planning Commission at their meeting next Thursday to participate in Loch's presentation on updating the General Plan.

Steve read a letter of appreciation from a policeman who was traveling through Boulder and needed help. Corry Johnson went the extra mile in helping him, and his actions left a very favorable impression on these tourists.

Every ten years, **ISO audits fire departments** to determine fire ratings for insurance purposes. Our audit was this spring. Kandace had helped with the paperwork. There are three parts to the audit: 1) the fire department, 2) the water system, and 3) the pager system and sheriff's dispatch system in Panguitch. The water system is as good as it can be, even though there are a number of houses not close enough to hydrants. The dispatch service didn't score very high, but for a small town and large county, it's understandable. On the third part, for a small volunteer department, there were some parts they did really well on. The rating is 1 through 6, and we've been at 6, which is impressive for our situation. This means we comply with all the codes and requirements. Ten would prevent us from getting any fire insurance. They received a call saying that they had dropped to a 7, which is still good, considering the paperwork they were lacking. There were a few minor things they could do to remain at 6, which they did. We are now 6 and

will remain there until the next audit. In the meantime, they are correcting some of the things they didn't realize were as important as they are and some others that had slipped past. Anyone who hasn't submitted a drawing showing propane tanks and power shutoffs should furnish those to the fire department. Businesses are required to have one on file with the Fire Department. People need to check with their own insurance companies to make sure they know our ISO rating. Corry and Katie will send out a Pegboard notice asking for people who haven't submitted drawings to do so. It would help if they have more training, so they may be asking for more opportunities.

The landfill trench is full and Loch will be digging a new pit. Farlan talked with Brian Bremner about double chip sealing the Lower Boulder Road and as much as the rest of the town as we have money for. Rhea Thompson's road needs to be chip sealed to the gate but doesn't need to be patched. He wondered about doing by the dumpsters and maybe up to Reid's. It may be August or September when they do it. He will get with Randy to see what the Water Company is going to do.

The Planning Commission discussed the upcoming budget for revising the General Plan. It will be a two-year project, so the money will be spread over that time period. The Town will need to approve expenditures before they are incurred.

Steve has done some research on utility vehicles and reported on his findings. He also checked on brush hog/mowers. He will follow up on them. We had allotted \$2,000 to paint the pavilion, but the Arts Council suggested that we have Sean Treves do an artistic design. It could be a mini-grant or a donation to the Arts Council. We'd need a plan and exact costs before we agreed to it. Do we want a standard paint job or something more artistic? Tina said Sean is interested in it, even if we don't do the artistic plan. Steve isn't sure we need to bid it out if we do it as an art job. If we do plain painting, we'd need to bid it out and he could bid on it. We'll have them give us a proposal.

The new speed limit sign on the north end of town is now working, so we have three working signs. The tract park was a perfect venue for the 4th of July. We received an anonymous complaint on the backlit sign at Hills and Hollows. Judi has gone through many years of minutes looking for information on it, without success. It was agreed that it was grandfathered in, making it a legal nonconforming sign. Modification has to bring it into compliance. Steve will continue his investigation.

Bill thanked the Boulder Community Alliance for the great 4th of July celebration. He then reported on a letter received from Karen Terry, our groundskeeper, regarding dog droppings, which are a big problem on these grounds. How do we handle it? Not allow dogs unless on a leash? That doesn't prevent stray dogs from coming onto the grounds. We have beautiful grounds that should be taken care of. Peg thought it would be appropriate to write to the known owners asking them to clean up after their dogs; if there

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is no response, we could take some other action. Could we talk to the owners personally? We may not know who all the owners are. We could talk to the known owners and see if the problem decreases. First we should post a notice asking people to clean up after their dogs. In Richfield, dogs are not allowed in the park. We could fence the grounds and post a notice. We will begin with Peg posting a notice on Pegboard. Bill and Farlan will visit with him. Judi will write a letter to the known owner.

June checks issued were reviewed. Steve made a motion to accept the checks issued in June. Pete seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Loch asked if the Council was going to address the ADU proposal. Yes, but not tonight. We need to study the previous comments before we vote. It will be on the August agenda. Pete won't be here but will submit written comments.

Farlan made a motion to adjourn. Pete seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk
(From the recording)