

September 6, 2012

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

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

Public Present: Randy and Shelly Ripplinger, Cheryl Cox, Ashley Coombs, Eugene King.

Pledge of allegiance

Bill had requested a change to paragraph 3, page 2, of the August 2 minutes, and Judi prepared and emailed to the Council an amended section making the changes requested. (Bob and Naomi Brems came.) There was some discussion on Blake's comments regarding there only being eight residents in her employee house. The same type of situation exists at Bevin McCabe's house, with more than one family unit living there at times. Tom has told Scott Brodie that this discussion will be coming up, as his farm house is also in this same situation. Steve made a motion that we accept the August 2 minutes as revised. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Sue made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 10 meeting. Gladys seconded the motion. Bill, Gladys and Sue voted in favor. Tom and Steve abstained because they were not at that meeting.

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 22 meeting. Steve seconded the motion. Bill, Tom and Steve voted in favor. Gladys and Sue abstained because they weren't at that meeting.

Eugene King, principal of Escalante High School, came to discuss a student service project they would like to do to bring the communities together. They would like to do an afternoon (3-4 hours) service project with about 90 students. It would be in the community for the community, and they'd like to make it a tradition. (Bill and Judith Geil came.) The main purpose would be for the EHS students and faculty and the people of Boulder to get to know each other. They need permission and suggestions from us. After the project, they would sponsor a cookout at the elementary school, for which they would furnish the hot dogs and the community would furnish the salads, etc. They would like to do it in the next four to six weeks before it gets cold.

Bob suggested that we might have a group of them paint the dumpsters, and Sue suggested that they clean the weeds around the Town grounds. Tom added that the Town area outside the fence needs to be cleaned as does the area around the elementary school. Mr. King reminded us that the students' only transportation will be two busses, so we

can't spread them too far apart. A Monday or Tuesday before October 15 would be best for them. We will put the word out about the dinner and request that people contribute to it. The dinner would probably be about 4:30. Bob will have the County furnish the paint and materials. The flagpole at the Post Office needs to be painted, but we don't have any way to reach the top of it. The Post Office itself needs to be oiled and stained. The Council decided that the projects would be painting the dumpsters and the Post Office and cleaning the town and school grounds and that the best time would be either October 1 or 2. Judi will order an oil based stain, brushes and rollers.

Randy reported that the gravel in front of the firehouse west bay is difficult to drive on and needs to be paved. The Council are aware of the need, and Steve has talked to Sam about it. The County probably won't do any more hot mix this year but could double chip seal it now and put hot mix on it the next time they're here with some. We'll also have them do the short section of C road into Rhea Thompson's Ranch.

Sue reported that a number of culverts were installed in the Boulder King subdivision because of a need that was identified during the heavy rain. Winovitches have asked about the culvert that was supposed to have been installed on their road. The County is supposed to fix it. Gladys will remind Dell to have them do it. There are no problems at the landfill. Bill finished mowing the roadsides where Sue had indicated a need. If she sees something else that needs to be done, she is to let him know. In the past, Doran, at Alfred's request, has donated time and equipment to do the Lower Boulder roadsides, but it hasn't been done this year. It is a difficult job where the sides of the road slope. If the Town is responsible to keep it cut, we'll need to pay to have it done. Because of ownership questions, we're not sure whether the Town is responsible. Bill and Sue will ride the road and make some decisions.

Steve reported that the ambulance is now in the west bay, the locks have been changed, and only EMT's have keys. We'll put bars on the windows. The chip sealing of the entrance is a safety issue. Sam had a sprinkler system for the Tract Park designed. The parts alone came to \$15,000. At this price, we'll have to come up with some other way to water. Besides the initial cost, we'd have to consider maintenance costs. We have to get some infrastructure in first so we can make sure that whatever we do afterwards, we can water. It has been flood irrigated in the past and it seems to do a good job. If we fill in a few holes, the top part is a park already. The second section may have to be more wild than we had anticipated. We have water, so Steve will work on the top part to see if flood irrigation can be made to work. We will need to get the culvert fixed. Steve's not sure what else we can do until we get some kind of watering system established so we don't lose everything we've already done. Flood irrigation is in place and has been used historically, but some of the ditches are overgrown and the culverts get plugged. Maybe Sam can fix the grade on it. If we can get ditches fixed, we should be okay for water.

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Corry is supposed to fix the restroom window in the firehouse. The ambulance is in its own bay now. When he can, Corry will fix the tire on the white truck and move it into the bay where the ambulance was. The trailer belongs to the County, and the plan is to get rid of the green fire truck and put the trailer in its place. There was some discussion as to whether we can actually get rid of the green truck since we don't have title to it. There will be surveillance in the bay the ambulance is in.

The Planning Commission will consider a sign application submitted by Joe Parker on behalf of Gibbs Smith. They are having an ongoing discussion on lot sizes because of a request for a zoning ordinance change, which is on hold while the lot size issue is under consideration. The next working meeting is on September 11 at 6:00 before the regular meeting. The sizes as they are may not be the best to meet today's needs.

Gladys reported that Magleby Mortuary will charge and collect burial fees and send them to us. When other mortuaries have burials here, Gladys will talk to them about our fees.

Judi discussed the Town's bank accounts, which are at Wells Fargo. Not only does the checking account not earn any interest, we are charged a monthly fee based on how many checks are processed. Gladys made a motion we move the Town's accounts to Mountain America Credit Union. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Earlier this year we received notice from the State Auditor that the unrestricted amount we carry over from year to year is possibly higher than the amount that is allowed by law. We are allowed to hold 75% of the amount we expect to receive as revenues in the following year, and we currently have more than that. We can hold more than that if we budget it to a capital projects fund. We could put some in a fund for development of the Tract Park and replacement of the sprinkler system on these grounds, and we need a storage shed. We may have quite a bit of money that could go into that fund, but Judi will check to see how much we need to allocate to it. Tom will also get estimates on the cost of a shed—both built on-site and purchased pre-made. When we decide what to do, we will open the budget and create that fund. Included in the hearing will be the cost of paving the entrance to the ambulance bay.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.