

November 7, 2013

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

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

Public Present: Caroline Gaudy, Ashley Coombs, Cindy Wilson, Peg Smith and Sergio Femenias.

Pledge of allegiance

Steve made a motion we approve the minutes of the October 3 meeting. Tom seconded the motion. Sue abstained from voting because she was not at the October 3 meeting, and the rest of the Council and Mayor voted in favor.

A five-minute public comment period was allowed for public business, but no one needed the time. It was provided because the question had come before both Bill and Judi as to what the law is on fencing animals—are they required to be fenced in or out? Bill recommended to the citizen that he try to work things out with his neighbor, and in the meantime we will check with our attorney to see if there is any state statute covering this issue.

We have held a public hearing to accept comment on proposed **Ordinance 72**. Tom made a motion we accept the ordinance as written. Gladys seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Peg, representing the Boulder Community Alliance and referencing Lisa Varga's letter to the Council which was presented at last month's meeting, discussed the possibility of Travel Council funding for the **promotion of tourism**. She suggested that this would be a good opportunity for the BCA and Town to collaborate on a joint application. She doesn't have any particular project in mind, but suggested that we might consider such things as an upgrade to our website, creating pathways between businesses, advertising, brochures, and refurbishing the welcome signs at the entrance to town. The BCA board is on board with collaborating with us. They had already considered updating the quiet use brochure that was prepared years ago. A brochure that could be handed out telling what services are available in town would be a good project. While Sue Fearon owns the domain name for boulderutah.com, she hasn't maintained the site for years but is willing to donate time to maintain it if the Town and businesses want to update it. We might have someone design an app that a tourist driving through town could use on a personal device to find services.

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The next step is to decide if we want to collaborate, then we would choose someone to represent the town on a committee. There are two funding cycles per year, and the earlier we apply, the better chance we have of being considered. There is \$75,000 available to be spread throughout the county. It is an 80/20 matching grant. The match could be in-kind or cash, and the businesses could help with the match expenses. Caroline suggested also involving services and businesses that aren't brick and mortar institutions. Peg could send a notice to the community about having a get-together for interested parties in the next couple of weeks to get ideas onto the table. Do we want to be involved going into it or wait until the ideas are presented? Tom volunteered to be the Council representative to that meeting unless someone else wants to. Gladys made a motion to appoint Tom to be the liaison between the Town Council and the business community for the Travel Council grant. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Peg will be the liaison for the BCA. They will meet before December to come up with proposals so they can be ready to submit an application in January. The Council supports this effort.

The **Christmas market** was discussed, and Caroline and Dennis were asked to organize it. Gladys made a motion the Town sponsor the Christmas market and that Caroline be in charge. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

The election results will be canvassed at a meeting to be held Tuesday, November 12, at 1:00.

Gladys suggested that we see if we can work with the school to do a **community Christmas program**. The school could do the program, and the town would furnish gifts. Gladys will get the gifts, and the school can arrange for a Santa and can use our suit. Judi will contact Mrs. Sanchez. Tom reported that the sprinklers and drip system are all turned off. He said the system has worked well and is well designed and installed.

Steve reported that **gravel** is needed now to repair Elaine's road. Terry Delay of the Forest Service hopes to get the gravel site permitted by the end of the year, but we need some now. Sam should get a letter to Gladys showing the amounts needed, or we can buy it from the private market for the road repairs and for the firehouse parking lot. Bill wondered if Sam had removed the coarse gravel from the FH parking lot to stockpile at the park for the drain field. The work he's done looks good, but we don't see a pile of the coarse gravel. Sam is to talk to Anthony to get permission to fix the drainage problems as needed. Steve said we will eventually have access to the USFS gravel. We need to define road rights of way and dedications and will ask Mark McIff for help. Sue suggested that it may need to be resurveyed. Jack is working on the maintenance building and will do all he can now, but he won't pour cement until spring.

Sue has done an inspection at the landfill and has contacted the County and left a message

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asking them to remove the stored materials. Installation of the street road signs is underway. Eric will need to contact Blue Stakes before digging any more post holes.

Tom reported that the Red House Farm received a temporary use permit, but that the ordinance leaves TUP's open-ended. As an issue, it is being considered by the PC in detail. It is a high priority and will be on-going for some months. It will be a long-term public process. Also being discussed are a use and definition to be called Home Occupation, Major. Peg stated that the PC will need to fill a vacant position in January. Judi will advertise for interested people to submit their names.

Bill congratulated those who are newly elected officials. We still want to hood the light on the southwest side of the building, but he is interested in learning more about a new style of light advertised by Garkane which directs the light to the ground. Caroline wondered if hoods could be installed on all of the lights, as it would be cheaper than replacing them with new lights. The people who already have street lights have been contacted and are emphatically not interested in replacing or modifying them. We also need another small light at the end of the entrance walk to the Community Center and one at the Post Office. We also need to fix the light inside the PO. Tom mentioned that Boz had sent him an article telling of the attraction of dark-sky destinations for tourists and suggested that our dark skies could be a selling point.

Judi distributed copies of the Capital Improvements List, which we will update at December's meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:00.

Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk