

April 16, 2013

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

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

Public Present: Ashley Coombs, Mike Nelson

Pledge of allegiance

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 7 meeting. Steve seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

The Council has received a suggested highway delineator **weed eradication** contract from **UDOT**. Each member has read it and was asked to give an opinion. Gladys has no problem if a private group wants to do it, but doesn't want the Town to do it. Steve and Sue agreed, as did Tom. Sue made a motion that we refuse the landscape maintenance agreement with UDOT. Tom seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Steve wants individuals to know they are welcome to do it and the Town will support them, but the Town wants no liability.

The Mayor liked Mike's letter requesting that we be allowed to take care of the weeds without chemicals and feels that the project had good support. Mike doesn't think this agreement addresses our desire to maintain the ground around the delineator posts. Tom emphasized that there were two parts to UDOT's requirements: one was the delineator posts and the other is the need to control noxious weeds. There are 24 miles of roadside maintenance. Noxious weed seeds spread along the whole length of the road, so we would be responsible for maintaining the entire 24 miles of roadside. Bill's contact for organic herbicide can't guarantee that it would eradicate the noxious weeds.

Mike will contact Ryan Orton at UDOT to see if they can work out a reasonable proposal, and, if they can, he will take it on for a six-month trial period. In our reply, we will ask that, if they can't reach an agreement for maintenance with a private group, property owners be notified before spraying. Sue stated that the noxious weeds are there, they just aren't 18" high. Bill said that they spray only a narrow way and wondered if this is a real threat. Steve asked who would do the actual weeding. He would have no problem with a group doing it. Sue hopes townspeople won't fuss if spraying is the only choice. Tom feels that we're too small a community to come up with enough volunteers to keep the roadsides maintained.

We need to set a date in June for **public hearings** to consider Planning Commission recommendations on applications for changes to the General Plan and a change in the Zoning Map. Tom understood that the PC discussion on the Zoning Map request got sidetracked from the issue. Their vote has been taken, but the Council will hold a public hearing at which we can consider any information that is presented before making a decision. The Town has requested a zoning change on certain setbacks which we've asked the PC to hold until we meet with Bruce Parker, at which time we'll decide whether to pursue it.

Loch had discussed businesses that are out of compliance. Spot zoning and possible non-compliance are issues we need to address. We need to make the ordinances such that people who want to have a small business can do so. Bill suggested that we work with Bruce to fix this. We will hold public hearings on the Zoning Map change request and the budget beginning at 6:00 p.m. on June 6 and will hold a public hearing on the proposed changes to the General Plan before the meeting on July 11.

Sue has done an inspection at the **landfill**. The pit is ready to burn. Farlan has dug a new pit. She went to UDOT training. We need to address the corners at the school and by the Barsches. Curve **signs** need to be replaced with updated signs with reflective stripes. The County Recorder has been inventorying and naming our roads, and Sue has prepared a tentative order for 56 signs and 27 posts. We need to establish an account with Safety Supply & Sign Co. in Salt Lake so she can order the signs. She was made aware of a group of engineering students who will go over the condition of our roads and set up a maintenance program. We'll have to pay for their services. The installation of the sign posts can be done with no holes with concrete. They come with a hardware kit and an anchor which is pounded into the ground. We will provide the installation. The State will help us with those along the highway. We need to hire someone to install them and can advertise for bids. There was a discussion on opening 100 East on the east side of the tract park. We will use the park for a while and see if there's a need to open it.

Tom reported that he has ordered **blinds** for certain windows in the Community Center. The cost is \$1,893.16. We will have to decide how to have them installed. Shall we hire someone? The two sheds are here, and Tom has paint for the trim (green) and sheds (brown.) Sage Sorenson wondered if we would supply paint for the pickleball court. Wes Jensen submitted a bid for the **sprinkler system** of \$4,850 for a new system. If he can use old materials, he will. He can start this week, then Tom will reseed the disturbed areas. Tom is repairing the bulletin board doors and has native plants to start planting. He has ordered pinon pine. Bill would still like some spruce trees.

Steve reported that, as agreed a few years ago, Corry will **paint the Firehouse** and will do it this summer. The first week in May work will begin on the trails and rerouting the stream in the **Tract Park**. The footbridge is ready to go. The committee would like

one small pavilion rather than three separate picnic pads. The Elementary School water comes from a well, but they will be converting to Boulder Farmstead water. Because we need more water for the park, the Park Committee wants to see if the well water can be converted to irrigation water and if we could buy their water rights.

Judi announced that the legislature has changed the **filing dates for elections** and that the new dates for filing are from June 1 to June 7. She also informed the Council that there will be an international **bike ride** passing through Boulder on August 7. There will be about 135 riders accompanied by 100 support vehicles and 20 highway patrolmen. Traffic will be interrupted as they pass, and this will be announced at least a week before the event by message boards posted in both directions. They will also have both helicopter and airplane support. Two **building permits** were issued since the last meeting—one for remodeling of the Boulder Exchange store and the other for a residence for Jeff and Ana Sanders. The Council also gave approval for renewal of Boulder Mesa's restaurant liquor license.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.