

August 2, 2018

Meeting began at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Steve Cox, Mayor; Conrad Jepsen, Gladys LeFevre\*\*, Farlan Behunin, Pete Benson, Councilmembers; Judi Davis, Town Clerk.

Public Present: Randy Catmull, Sam Stout, Pete and Cookie Schaus, Ana Sanders, Mark Nelson, Tessa and Julie Barkan, Tina Karlsson, Pam Furches, Judith Geil, Peg Smith.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pete made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 5 meeting. Conrad seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Tina reported for the **Park Committee**. There are three things that are needed: 1) doors for the maintenance shed (metal roll-up doors are \$1,000 at Ace Hardware—they may install them); 2) shelving and a tool rack for the locked part. They will check on prices. the shelves they would like are \$120 each, and the tool rack was priced at \$50-\$60; 3) a sign for the gate at the lower entrance to the Tract Park. Ana found a 1" x 2" sign with the wording "Welcome to Boulder Town Park" which would identify it and in smaller letters "Please close the gate." It was priced at about \$190. People have been seen standing at the gate but hesitating to open it. We need to have a heavy spring on the gate so it will close on its own. The gate is four feet—we just need to have it close by itself. If we had that, there may not be a need for the sign. \*\* Steve said we have money set aside for work at the Park and told them to use it to get what they need. Pete made a motion to approve what they've asked for and give permission to spend the money for it. Gladys seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Steve talked about the history of the Park Committee and the work they've done over time, expressing appreciation for the great job they've done. People are using it a lot, and there's more we can do with it—there's lots of space. Anyone who would like to be on the committee should contact Tina. He gave certificates of appreciation to Tina Karlsson, Sam Stout, Randy Catmull, and Ana Sanders. He also has a certificate for Julie Robinson who isn't able to be here. The Mayor emphasized the importance of volunteers and welcomes anyone who would like to volunteer in any capacity. Many in the town have volunteered their time on projects at the Park over the years, including Jimmy Catmull, Todd Campbell, who voluntarily did the rock walls at the entrance of the park with the help of Judith Rasoletti. Sam thanked Steve for moving the project along. Steve commented that getting title to the land is slow but will happen.

On behalf of Boulder Community Alliance, Pam presented the Town with a copy of the **community picture** taken on May 6, 2016, by Ace Kvale with the help of a Garkane lift truck. The picture was modeled after the picture of the community taken in the early

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1900's. Steve accepted the picture on behalf of the Town and stated that it will be hung in the Community Center.

Pete stated that Lee Nellis is a **planner** who has worked with small communities to put workshop materials into language that can be used for the **General Plan**. His is a one-day program, and the best time to meet with him, if we decide to use his services, seems to be September. Steve added that the workshop would be called "We Just Want to be Boulder." The charge for his help is \$2,500. It would be a follow-up to the work done by the committees during the winter. He wants us to focus on what we really want and then revise our General Plan based on that. Ordinances to make it happen will be a later project. The Planning Commission has appointed Josey Muse to chair a committee to do the General Plan. There need to be as many people as possible participating, so flyers and invitations will be posted. It will probably be a Saturday in September. The Town will do the promotion of the workshop and provide refreshments and lunch. We need to decide whether to copy materials ourselves or pay Mr. Nellis to make those copies. Our copier is new and we have paper—we will plan to make copies here. We need to get a general count of how many people will be participating so we know how many copies of the materials to make. He will bring a workbook designed just for us. It will be a guide, but the process will be interactive. We may be able to put some of the materials online. The Planning Commission budget was increased this year, knowing that the General Plan revision would be happening.

Mark feels that we should use Rural Planning Group and/or ULCT as resources, as they don't charge. He doesn't think we should spend money on the work that Mr. Nellis would do. Peg stated that the Planning Commission didn't vote on it. There were no expenditures during the winter meetings. Rural Planning didn't cost anything, but her impression is that it would be good to have an outside professional help organize the information. The PC is waiting for our approval so they can pick a date. Judith would like to know how putting everything together will be done. Mark replied that, just because we haven't spent any money so far, doesn't mean that we need to spend money for this part of the revision. Peg clarified that the Rural Planning Group is no longer available. ULCT has training videos, but Meg Ryan is not a facilitator. Randy asked if we had contacted Justin Fischer, the County Planner. Peg responded that we need to pay someone to be a facilitator. Pete stated that we need to get as much community consensus as possible and that we need a facilitator to bring things together. Conrad replied that the work done during the winter needs to be put together to make a document. Steve said we would work in groups to decide which "this" is important and which "this" is not. Then the PC will take that and put something together.

Pete stated that the group session process was successful and now we have to put things together to make a document. Gladys asked how it would happen. Would there be a survey? Pete thinks that is part of the process. Mr. Nellis will put together a list of bullet

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points. Steve pointed to the agenda from Mr. Nellis showing the process he would use. Pete has talked to him about the process and thinks it sounds like a good thing. Sam asked why we don't use the County Planner. Pete responded that we don't at this point need a planner, we need a facilitator. Steve is confident it will result in forward movement of the process. Sam would like to know more about it. Cookie stated that we have our wish lists but wondered if it's all legal. The response was that what we are proposing is legal. We need to give the Planning Commission some direction. Steve said we need something like this to move it along and is confident it will be helpful. The Planning Commission feels it would be beneficial. Cookie asked about involvement of the Town's attorney. Will we have to go over it all with him after this process? No. He will just check certain things for legality but will not be involved in the actual planning. What needs to be done now is to decide whether we want to go ahead with it.

Gladys' concern is whether we will get full representation of ideas from all groups of citizens, or if only a certain group will have input; will people who have to work be able to have a voice. It is important that representatives of all views come. This is our General Plan—no decisions will be made by Mr. Nellis.

Steve stated this is just the beginning and there will be plenty of filters along the way, including public hearings. Conrad would still like someone to contact Justin Fischer to see what his thinking is; does he have any thoughts at all on this? Peg volunteered to contact him to see if he has any desire at all to facilitate this process. If the Planning Commission thinks this is a step we want to take, it's up to us to approve or disapprove it. The Planning Commission would like this step to take place in September. In order for the most people to be involved, it should be in the afternoon from 2:00-8:00, and it would be best if those who participate can commit to the whole time.

Mark asked why we don't use Bruce Parker, since he knows our ordinances. Steve responded that we need to decide if we're willing to spend the money and let the Planning Commission decide if they want to go this direction. It will be a big time commitment, and if they want to do it, we need to give them the tools they need to do what needs to be done. Randy suggested that Steve as Mayor contact Justin Fischer to see if this is something he can do. Steve will make that call.

Pete made a motion that we give the Planning Commission permission to use Lee Nellis or some other facilitator. Conrad seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous. We will let the PC do what they need to do.

Pete announced that there will be a meeting here on August 13 at 6:00 for the community to meet with Bevan Kilpack who works with Five-County AOG on the **Community Wildfire Protection Plan program**. He will introduce the program, and those interested in being on the Community Wildfire Council should come. Anyone is invited to come to

the meeting. The sooner we start the process of creating a Wildfire Protection Plan, the more effective it can be. This is a program we welcome. The County Commissioners are interested in supporting the program, and that support places us in line early for funding. The Council will work with the BLM and Forest Service to help prevent wildfire and offer protection in the interface areas. The goal is to work together as a community with our neighbors, both in Town and with managers of Federal lands within and bordering our Town. Judith stated that the State provides guidance on creating defensible space.

The Council discussed proposed Ordinance 2018-3 regarding the **landfill and dumpsters**. The Mayor explained the problem: our landfill is rapidly filling up with material from building and demolition. We need to require that those who are building and tearing down have a dumpster (roll-off) on site that the provider will haul off to a larger landfill. Randy asked how it will be enforced, particularly with people living in the County who are using the Town's landfill. The County has its own ordinance, and it will have to be enforced at the landfill. Sam suggested that if the construction pit at the landfill is left open for small projects, it should be only for the use of residents. We will post the ordinance as a draft until the next meeting and invite comments before the September meeting.

Randy discussed the **congestion at the junction of the Burr Trail and Highway 12**. UDOT has been contacted about the problem and has been asked to reduce the speed limit, but they haven't done it. The Town can't enforce the speed. People parking on the Burr Trail in that area is a problem.

Pam, on behalf of the Park Committee, stated that the Tract Park needs a **dog waste** station.

We need an alternate attendant for the **landfill** to open it for extra trips during the week and will post a notice. Pay will be \$12/hour. Farlan stated that Jackson's will do the road in the cemetery. The **street signs** are here. In September Steve will help Bob put them in.

Pete reported that the PC is working on the ordinance regulating ADU's. The recommendation is close to being sent on to the Council. Zoning corrections need to be made in some cases. It will be September before they can get back to it. The Firehouse door still needs to be fixed. Pete will order safety cones to put up at the Firehouse during events.

We have received complaints about people building but not following the requirements of the Owner/Builder form. Conrad will check on reported violations. Jackson's will do the east landfill road which will be parallel to the fence and looked at the proposed roads on the north and south sides. There is no room for a road on the south end. The Cemetery Committee will meet next week. If there are trees that have to be moved, they'll have to

be hauled off. Farlan and Gladys will be there when the work is done. Some brush hogging will need to be done inside the fence.

Steve reported that a group of Scouts from St. George did a service project at the Town Park.

Camille is putting together some information about the history of Boulder. She has dates the first people stayed through the winter and for the incorporation of the Town, but would like a consensus of when the Town was first settled. The group picture that was taken in 1901 would seem to indicate that year as a fairly reliable date.

Peg expressed concern that there aren't enough Post Office boxes for the people who live here and wondered if more Post Office boxes could be installed somewhere. We will contact Ryan Crosier in Escalante addressing the problem and asking for suggestions.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Minutes prepared by Judith Davis, Town Clerk