

May 7th, 2020 Town Council Meeting

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

Council present: Steve Cox; Mayor, Elizabeth Julian, Judy Drain, Gladys LeFevre, Council members, Judi Davis, Michala Alldredge; Town Clerks

Public Present: Peg Smith, Kipp Greene, Walt Gove, Ashley Coombs, Tessa Barkan, Matt Cochran, Tina Karlsson,

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve minutes of April 2 meeting:

Judy made a motion to approve the minutes for April 2nd, 2020, Elizabeth seconded the motion and a roll call vote was unanimous. Conrad was absent not abstaining from the vote.

Vote on adopting Ordinance 2020-1, Amendment of Chapter 11 of Boulder's Zoning Ordinance: Building Codes and Permits:

Mayor Cox explained that in March 2020 the Town Council (TC) approved an amendment to Chapter 11 of Boulder's Zoning Ordinance: Building Codes and Permits, then Judi reminded him that to put it into law the TC needs to adopt that approval with an ordinance. Therefore, Mark McIff drafted an ordinance that includes the changes the TC approved and now the TC needs to pass the ordinance. He then read the changes made and then entertained a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-1. Elizabeth made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-1, Judy seconded the motion, and a roll call was unanimous. Conrad was absent.

Review Preliminary 2020-2021 Budget:

Mayor Cox reported that he attended a meeting of the Utah State Tax Commission (USTC) and they stated that many cities and towns are struggling with their upcoming budgets because town sales tax is going to be very different than it has been. Mayor Cox added that for Boulder, the resort tax and transient room tax (TRT) are also going to be a bit out of line. He continued that the saving grace is that we had about eight months of normal activity beginning last July and didn't run into anything unusual until March 2020, so it's not expected that our town revenues are not going to be completely out of line with this year's budget. He furthered that we should be able to wrap up the year and still maintain a pretty good surplus. He reminded the council that there was \$81,000 that was re appropriated from last year's budget and further stated that whatever is leftover from the upcoming budget can be re appropriated as well. He continued that next year is more unpredictable. He stated that Mr. John Valentine of the USTC reminded everyone that the new year's budget starts in July and it is possible that by this fall business may pick up to normal activity, but that is still unknown. The USTC is expecting that revenues in the next year will be slightly but (hopefully) not significantly lower in the long run for the 2020-2021 budget. Right now it is still up in the air so Mayor Cox was hoping to have a preliminary budget. He spoke with Judi and determined that it would be best to wait until we

have the next round of numbers, which is in May. Then they will publish a preliminary budget to discuss at the June TC meeting and then adopt it around June 20, 2020 for the following year. He asked if TC had any questions about where we are going with the budget. He asked that TC members be thinking about what money is needed in the different departments. He reported that the state has asked all towns and cities to watch our discretionary funds and not start any huge construction projects or CIB projects, etc. There were no questions. Mayor Cox then stated that he, Judi and Michala will work with the new financial system to create some budget projections to discuss in the June TC meeting. Then we will hold a public hearing and finalize the budget later in June.

#### Department Reports:

##### EMS, Arts Council, Fire Council and Library Board:

Elizabeth reported that there were no EMS updates. The fire department will burn debris at the landfill on May 8th. She had nothing to report from the fire council or the library. The Boulder Arts Council has postponed events indefinitely for the next year. She is waiting for a list of the new gear that is needed for the fire department. As soon as she receives it she will forward it to TC. She reported that two new EMTs, Taylor Nagel and Andy Rice passed their training test in Richfield but national testing centers are still closed. Anson Fogel also took a course and is waiting for testing to be scheduled due to COVID-19. Mayor Cox asked her to make sure we get all the reimbursements submitted from the three new EMT's on this year's budget.

##### Cemetery and Buildings:

Gladys will check with the LDS church about scheduling a cleaning activity at the cemetery. She will contact Corry about trimming/mowing at the cemetery. She reported that the Community Center building is fine. She furthered that the Travel Council meeting was held online and that they are planning on doing some of their big promotions at the end of June, with many events cancelled due to COVID-19.

##### Planning Commission and Roads:

Judy reported that the construction on the SR12 turn lane is scheduled to begin in May and finished Oct. 31st, 2020. They (UDOT?) will return to chip seal in the spring of 2021. They have tested some material and found issues with the stockpile at the shed (?) but UDOT is looking at purchasing extra material to mix with the material at the shed. She continued that the Planning Commission is still working on the Table of Uses and will hopefully be done by the end of May. She reported that the signs that are down will hopefully be back up this week. She called Jay Brooks about the potholes that need to be fixed and he will be coming to Boulder sometime this month to identify what needs to be done to fix them. She furthered that the CUP was approved for the Boulder Mountain Lodge for the additional building. There was a presentation for Jacqui Smalley's arts and education building. The public hearing for it has been postponed until June. The meetings with Lee Nellis are being held every two weeks and are going well. There is a

project underway to create a database detailing all full time residents for RSTR purposes. A public hearing for Sugarloaf Valley Farms Guest Ranch is scheduled for May 14th, 2020. Mayor Cox asked if Judy could look at getting the Spring Lane road sign back up and check with Randy Catmull about a downed sign at his place.

Enforcement, Landfill, Grounds and Park Committee:  
Conrad was absent so nothing to report.

Mayor:  
Mayor Cox reported that he is putting out a COVID-19 update weekly. He asked everyone to send him anything they want passed along.

Clerks:  
Nothing from the clerks

Public Comments:

Mayor Cox stated that we had a request from Hell's Backbone Grill to obtain a local consent form from the town to be able to serve alcoholic beverages with food through room service at the BML. He scheduled a special meeting for Wednesday, May 13th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to address the issue. He will contact HBG for more information to distribute to the TC before the meeting.

Ashley asked if the town 4th of July celebration is going to be held this year. Mayor Cox replied that it probably will not be held because the Governor's office still doesn't want any mass gatherings but he doesn't want to give a definite answer yet. Elizabeth added that the Boulder Community Alliance (BCA) received a notice stating that there may not be a 4th or 24th of July celebration this year.

Tessa informed that she didn't receive a notice for tonight's meeting from the Utah Public Meeting Notice and wanted us to be aware of the issue.

Gladys made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Elizabeth seconded the motion, all agreed and meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.