

January 7, 2021 Town Council Meeting

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

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

Public Present: Korla Eaquinta, April O'Neal, John Veranth, Lucia Stewart, Ana Sanders, Jeanne Zeigler, Tessa Barkan, Peg Smith, Julie Lesser, Ashley Coombs, Michelle Lebaron,

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Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cox rearranged the agenda slightly to interview the BoA candidates first.

Board of Adjustment applicants interviews:

Mayor Cox explained that there are two positions available to serve on the Board of Adjustments. A one year term (which is renewable for a full five year term after) and a five year term. He asked each applicant to tell the Town Council (TC) which position they are interested in filling, their qualifications and why they are interested in the position. The TC would then ask any questions. April O'Neil was first, Lucia Stewart was second, and John Veranth was third. Mayor Cox thanked them all for stepping up and applying, and stated that they all seem very qualified and that we would do well with any of them. TC will decide later in the meeting and let them know in the next day or two.

Approve minutes of December 3rd meeting:

Judy made a motion to approve the December 3, 2020 meeting minutes. Conrad seconded the motion. 5-0 vote to approve the minutes.

Open meeting training - Judi:

Judi read the ordinance from the Utah state site regarding open meetings (PMN website Utah Code Title 52 Chapter 4). Link will be added to Boulder website

Adopt ordinance setting 2021 Council meeting schedule:

Mayor Cox stated that the Ordinance 7A Setting the TC Meeting Schedule needs to be updated. He clarified with Judi that TC needs to hold a public hearing to amend an ordinance. He gave two options to amend the ordinance. We can adopt a new ordinance and hold a public hearing next month or make the necessary changes as part of the codification process. It just needs to be

updated before the time changes in April. Judy, Elizabeth, Gladys, Conrad all stated their preference for a 7pm meeting time. Mayor Cox stated that Curtis is working with American Legal on codification and we can present all changes for approval prior to the April meeting or have a special meeting to make time change official if needed.

Town Council assignments and Committee and Board members update: Mayor Cox gave an annual update of assignments and Committee and Board members. There were no questions or updates regarding assignments.

Budget update for 2nd quarter - Michala:

Mayor Cox asked the TC to look at their departments and the expenditures to see if anything needs to be moved around or adjusted. Judy asked about the road funds. Discussion about Garfield County charges and services they provide.

Safe Route to School Grant discussion:

Mayor Cox reported that Boulder was awarded a \$36,000 grant. Jones & DeMille engineering group engineered the project. Mayor Cox stated that the grant is more of a reimbursement situation, or can be. He explained that we can't request reimbursement until July 2022. We can do work ahead of time and then submit for reimbursement at a later date. He asked Judy and Elizabeth to meet with parents to determine if anything needs to be done prior to obtaining reimbursement. Elizabeth said she can do it through the Community Council meeting since they are the voting members. They will add it to the February Community Council agenda.

Department Reports:

Planning Commission, Roads, and Garfield County PC:

Judy reported that the Planning Commission (PC) granted a CUP for the DW tower. They also addressed Commnet but it needs a variance, so it will go to the Board of Adjustments (BoA). Michala gave an RSTR mapping update. There was an update on the Jacqui Smalley CUP by the project architect, Ed Shure (sp?). There will be a public hearing next week on the General Plan Table of Uses and Lee Nellis will conduct one more example for the Commercial Standards Review worksheet.

Enforcement, Landfill, Grounds and Park Committee:

Conrad had nothing to report. He tried to contact Dean about the furniture that needs to be moved from the landfill and the construction pit. He will follow up with him this Saturday and report back next month.

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

Elizabeth reported no EMS or EMT changes. She reported that the EMS has been cleared to receive COVID-19 vaccinations. She has had no update on Andy or Taylor regarding their EMT tests. She reiterated the need for an accountability system with the EMT volunteers who are reimbursed for training but don't complete the test and certification process. She stated that Boulder needs EMT's. We currently have three and one is about to retire. She reported that the radio communication still is not ideal for EMS. The Fire Council is working on a draft of a new fire ordinance and would like to be involved in amending it. The Library board asked if Boulder will take care of their internet costs temporarily. No Arts Council updates. Garfield County School District (GCSD) is continuing their website regarding COVID-19 vaccinations and cases but there are some delays.

Cemetery, Buildings, and Travel Council:

Gladys had nothing to report about the cemetery and buildings. She reported that the Travel Council won't have any money to fund new projects this year. She stated that if people received funding from the Travel Council last year and couldn't use it that they can keep and use it this year.

Mayor:

Mayor Cox reminded the TC that they need to do an online training on the Utah state website before our next town audit. He asked that when they receive their certificate of completion that they send it to the clerks.

Clerks - Approval of December checks issued:

Gladys made a motion to approve the checks issued. Judy seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Tina will send out a notice for the BoA meeting. The meeting will set the schedule and induct new members.

Public Comments:

Discussion about letters received regarding the CUP for DW tower. Mayor Cox stated that the PC had granted a CUP and those comments should have been stated in that meeting. The TC would be involved if there was an appeal, and in this case there wasn't. He then talked about the concerns raised. He reiterated that the Boulder PC followed the town ordinances when they issued the CUP. He invited anyone to contact the FCC with any complaints.

Closed Session:

Mayor Cox made a motion to adjourn to a closed meeting to discuss the BoA applicants. Conrad seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous to adjourn to a closed meeting.

When the TC returned to the regular meeting Mayor Cox made a motion to appoint April to the five year position and John to the one year position. Gladys seconded the motion. A roll call vote passed 5-0.

Mayor Cox then addressed a petition that was submitted. He stated that the TC found no evidence to support the petition and therefore would do nothing about it.

Adjournment:

Elizabeth made a motion to adjourn. Gladys seconded the motion. Vote to adjourn was unanimous.