

February 4, 2020 Town Council Meeting

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m.

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

Public Present: Colleen Thompson, Bill Muse, Korla Eaguinta, Tessa Barkan, Peg Smith, Nancy Tosta, Phoenix Bunke,

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Pledge of Allegiance

Approve minutes of January 7th meeting:

Minutes were not ready, TC will approve them next month.

Adopt Resolution 2021-1: Adoption of Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form:

Mayor Cox introduced the resolution and thanked Judi for getting the form from the state website. He read the proposed resolution and explained that it applies to Town Council, Planning Commission and Board of Adjustments members (TC, PC and BoA). He furthered that if adopted tonight then the TC, PC & BoA members would need to sign the form. Mayor Cox made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-1: Adoption of Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form. Elizabeth seconded the motion. The resolution passed 3-0 (SC, EJ, CJ). Mayor Cox stated that we will get the forms to the appropriate people for a signature. He added that Judi is working on an ethics form for next month.

Introduction of proposed amendments to General Plan and Zoning Ordinance:

Mayor Cox presented the background information of getting to this point with amendments to the General Plan and Zoning Ordinance and commended the PC and the committees involved with the work involved in this task. Colleen detailed the changes and amendments: Zoning Ordinance Chapter 6, Zoning Districts, the Table of Uses in the General Plan page 2, and new definitions start on page 6 (chapter 20). Instead of districts there are standards for commercial development. Mayor Cox suggested reading the General Plan changes first, followed by the updated Zoning Ordinance. He stated that the PC approved the changes and a public hearing will be held March 4, 2021 and presented to TC for approval. Elizabeth asked for copies to be available via the Boulder website.

Appropriation of Class C road funds to Safe Routes To School Project:

Mayor Cox reported that he confirmed with Utah state that we can spend our Class C road funds and then request reimbursement in July of 2022 since we were approved for a grant. They referred him to the regional office, in Richfield and he is working on obtaining the necessary paperwork to move forward. He furthered that he contacted Jones & DeMille to take the lead on the project and they are ready to go when we give them the word. He then made a motion to appropriate \$36,000 from our Class C road funds to use on the Safe Routes to School Project this summer and be reimbursed in July of 2022. Elizabeth seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. (SC, EJ & CJ). Mayor Cox added that Judy Drain will be heading this project with Elizabeth.

Department Reports:**Enforcement, Landfill, Town Grounds and Park Committee:**

Conrad reported that much of the furniture pile at the landfill was moved to Escalante. Mayor Cox added that tires were also hauled away but the scrap metal is still there and will hopefully be removed later this year (summer?). Mayor Cox stated that he received a call regarding installing memorial benches in the town park. He asked Conrad to meet with the Park Committee and come up with criteria for memorial benches at the town park. He added that the park needs more benches and that is a great way to remember community members and ancestors.

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

Elizabeth reported that she had no updates on the Fire Department. The EMT's have had a few calls in the last month. She believes that the town will soon have two certified EMT's instead of three. She has had no updates from Andy or Taylor regarding their EMT tests or certification status. Judi will follow through with letters to them. Michala will text Taylor since she isn't responding to emails. Mayor Cox reported that he and Peter Benson met with the area director of Five County Assoc. of Governments (FCAOG), Mike Melton and Garfield County Fire Warden, Josh Soper. They informed us that we are four years behind in reporting our in kind hours. They had asked us to wait until their online portal was live to enter the information and now their online portal is not going to happen. They asked us to put together a spreadsheet detailing our in kind hours for the last 4 years and update and sign our community wildfire preparedness plan. He and Peter Benson are working to have it completed by July 2021. Going forward the town will be responsible for reporting each fiscal year. Elizabeth stated that the Library is still closed and due to COVID-19 they aren't sure when they can conduct a fundraiser to raise money for their phone and internet. Elizabeth will meet with Cookie and Dianne next week to figure out internet and phone payments moving forward. The Arts council has a Valentine event next weekend, Valentine to Boulder. There are prizes in different categories. Valentine's will be judged Saturday morning, February 13th. The GCSD website still has a

significant delay for COVID-19 reporting dashboard. Mayor Cox stated there needs to be a conversation about what to do about the Library Internet that is being used for public access. The agreement that exists currently is to share the annual internet costs but since the town has had a separate line installed we need to determine how to move forward.

Cemetery, Buildings and Travel Council:

Gladys not in attendance so no update.

Planning Commission, Roads, and Garfield County PC:

Mayor Cox reported that there was a preliminary discussion on a proposed subdivision in the last meeting. He added that the PC will be looking through the codified ordinances prior to the TC for approval.

Mayor:

Mayor Cox stated that he is still working on getting the town park lease signed over from the BLM. Due to the change of Presidential administration they have put a sixty day hold on any land transactions. He hopes that we are three to four months away from having the lease signed. He reported that Judi found a record book from the town meetings dating back to 1958. SUU will create an electronic copy so we can share it via the town website. He reported that we are still working FCAOG on our Fire Hazard Mitigation Plan that needs to be updated every five years.

Clerks - Approve checks for January:

Mayor Cox made a motion to approve the checks issued. Elizabeth seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Public Comments:

None

Elizabeth made a motion to adjourn. Conrad seconded the motion. All agreed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm..