

Boulder Town Council Meeting
January 5, 2022 7:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

Town Council Members present- Jim Catmull, Mayor Judy Drain, Steve Johnson via zoom, Gladys Lefevre, Elizabeth Julian, Town Clerk Judi Davis, Assistant Town Clerk Lexxi Johnson

Public Present-

In person- Steve Cox, Cindy Willson, Blake Spalding, Susan Heaton, Scott Mader, Susana Holiday, John Veranth

Via Zoom- Peg Smith, Katie Coleman, Kandice Johnson, Corry Johnson, Nancy Tosta, Jeanne Zeigler, Daniel Hauley, Ashley Coombs, Jennifer Bach, Shelley Price-Gibson, Scott Berry, Andria Rice, Michelle Peterson, Debra Oldham, Jen Castle, Phone # 18018974939 and #14356168857

Meeting was called to order at 7:09

-Pledge of Allegiance

– Agenda approval- Jim asks to move the Adopting Jones and Demille as Boulder Towns Engineers to underneath the public comments. Elizabeth comments that the agenda was not posted in the appropriate places 24 hrs prior to the meeting therefore she believes nothing can be voted on. The council agrees that they will move forward with the agenda and have discussion but nothing will be voted on.

– Approval of minutes for November and December- Jim asks to have the amount it will cost the town- a minimum of \$6,000- to be added in the dumpster tree section.

-- Set annual meeting schedule- Gladys comments that she is fine with the way the meetings have been scheduled and Judy agrees. Council will vote on the schedule in the February meeting/

– Public Comments- Blake Spalding- owner of Hell's Backbone Grill and farm and she asks what the town receives from resort taxes. Judy says she will have to look it up and Blake comments that she read it's basically 2%. Blake comments that her business contributed about \$40,000 through taxation and close to \$900,000 on labor for people who work there and they are the largest employer. Jim comments that the town is not getting rid of the parking, they are just making it so there will be no parking on the

designated town walking trail. Judy comments that she will give Blake a copy of the resolution so she can view it. Blake discusses some of her concerns for parking and Jim replies with some of the ideas they have for the trail and parking.

– Adopting Jones and Demille as Boulder Towns Engineers-Judy Drains reads a question from Steve Cox. The question was; what if they are the engineers hired by someone else to do a project in town and their work needs to be checked, would they have to turn down other work in town because of conflict of interest? Daniel Hawley answers that they have multiple ways to work with the issue. One thing they have done is have a third party engineer hired to help and coordinate with and the other option is they would be limited to just working for the town and other work would need to be done by someone else. Judy says the main reason they are looking into them is because they have previously done work for the town and they are close. Gladys comments that they should ask the attorney what he thinks. Elizabeth comments that she does not see the need for adopting a specific town engineer. Jim comments that it's because some of the ordinances say by a town engineer. Elizabeth comments that it could be any engineer the town approves.

– Open meeting Training-Peg Smith plays two videos from training.auditor.utah.gov as an intro for the town council to the training and certifications they will need.

– training.auditor.utah.gov certificate required

– Conflict of Interest Forms-each board member has received a form and will need to complete the training and sign the forms.

– Clerks new email address- the boulderutahscinternet.net email is actually a private email and the new official email is tc@boulder.utah.gov and is where official Boulder Town business should be sent. Planning commission business should be sent to pc.boulder.utah.gov and things to be sent to the mayor should be sent to mayor.boulder.utah.gov.

– Transfer money from General Fund to Capital Projects- \$100,000 was transferred to the capital projects fund. The higher amount was due to receiving money from CARES and school cross walks from UDOT. Judy comments that the audit went well and they are waiting to receive the books. Judy thanks Gladys for stepping up and helping when she was away.

– Approval of Fire School Money- Elizabeth comments the money does not need to be approved as it has already been allocated in the budget. Judi will write and send out the checks.

– Discussion on Town Jobs and salaries- Judi is retiring and Lexxi will be leaving soon. Judy comments on upping the salary and hiring a new clerk to take over. Judy comments that it's a big job and has a lot of components. Elizabeth suggested to take the pay up to \$25 an hour and hire someone fulltime to take over. Elizabeth comments

that there are multiple trainings and meetings that should be required and paid for as well as becoming a member of the clerks association. Gladys suggests saying the job will be a long term job and the applicant will need certain experience and expectations. Gladys will contact different towns and clerks and research what others are being paid and required. The council will further research and vote at a special meeting. Judy comments on giving Peg a raise for what she does as planning commission clerk and helping the town clerk and Judy would also like to give Dean a raise for his work on the landfill.

– Burr Trail hazardous trees-Constance sent Judy an email regarding what trees are in question. The trees that are a hazard are all on private property and UDOT property. The trees being reviewed are the big cottonwoods across from the old Boulder Mesa restaurant that hang over the road on the Burr Trail and the other tree is on UDOT property near the intersection of hwy 12 and the burr trail and it's on top of a 10in main line and it will need to come completely out. Jim asks who would be responsible if the tree near the dumpsters did fall on the fire hydrant who would be responsible for cost. Elizabeth suggests having a meeting with the treecity to gather more information and further discuss steps moving forward. Jim states that he believes the ordinance needs to be changed and Gladys suggests inviting someone from the tree committee to the next meeting and possibly scheduling a public hearing. Judy will ask Constance as a representative of Treecity to attend the next meeting. Elizabeth suggests having a meeting with the committee prior to the next meeting so it can be reported at the next meeting and a decision can be made.

– Adopting the Park Trail Resolution 2023-01- a resolution has been written. Elizabeth asks if there is any way to have a draft of a landscaping plan that council members can see. Jim comments that UDOT has requested a landscaping agreement and in order to receive that the town has to pass the resolution. Jim would do a walk through to show where the path will be for those interested in knowing.

– Checks- will be approved at the February meeting.

– Department Reports

Elizabeth Julian-Library hours will remain 11-1 on Wednesdays and Saturdays will now be 10-12 with drinks and snacks available for purchase. The Arts Council will have a new exhibit from Irit Reed in Escalante. Arts council will also be having a board meeting to discuss and plan for the year. Planning commission has no new applications or public hearings coming up. The commission has approved the Meadowlark subdivision preliminary application and it will be coming to the council. The planning commission will be introducing and adding new full member Shelby Price-Gibson and alternate Nancy Tosta at the next meeting. The housing work groups are proceeding and hope to share in the March meeting.

Jim Catmull-Still waiting on Dwights for metal at the dump. EMS had a rollover on the mountain at night with no injuries and the Fire department responded.

Gladys Lefevre- Gladys asks if the front door has been fixed. Judy says Corry did some work on the door and it has been working much better.

Judy Drain-Nothing to report

Steve Johnson-Steve comments that the committee has not met and he will call a meeting.

– Public Comments-Cindy Willson-comments nobody stops at the stop sign at the post office and she suggests trimming back the brush to make the sign better seen. She believes it's a safety hazard.

Lexxi Johnson reads zoom chat comment from Scott Berry thanking the council for clarifying the walking trail and parking in front of the Boulder Mountain Lodge.

– February Business

-Tree committee

-Approve minutes

-Approve checks

Special meeting to vote on and post clerks position and salary and set annual meeting schedule. Scheduled for Thursday January 12 at 5:15.

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