

October 1st, 2020 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: Tessa Barkan, Peg Smith, Cynthia & Rod Butcher, Korla Eaquinta, Cookie Schaus, Connor McFadden, Donna Owen, Walt Gove

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approve minutes of September 6 meeting:

Conrad made a motion to approve meeting minutes for September 6th. Elizabeth seconded the motion. A vote to approve the meeting minutes was unanimous.

Department Reports

Enforcement, Landfill, Grounds and Park Committee:

Conrad reported that the Tree City group planted trees by the Lefair Hall bench in the town park and they are in the process of creating a ditch or trench to water them. He and Corry looked at the posts in the front of the Community Center and are working on a plan to recreate a walk-in gate area. Mayor Cox asked about pouring cement at the Post Office. Conrad replied that they also discussed this. Mayor Cox asked if they had registered the side by side. Judi replied that it isn't done yet, but she has the title. Mayor Cox asked if they have hauled the furniture away from the dump. Conrad will check in with Dean tomorrow.

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

Elizabeth reported that per the Fire Department Boulder continues to be in fire danger. The EMT's are trying to recruit new members. Taylor hasn't responded regarding her EMT certification test. Andy hasn't taken the certification exam yet but is attending on emergency calls. Elizabeth received an update from the Fire Council on their new members and she can provide that information to anyone who wants it. The library has reopened with new temporary hours. They will be open on Saturdays from 11am-2pm with limited patrons and social distancing practices in place. The Arts council has a virtual Cliffs Notes event this weekend with readings open to the public Friday through Sunday evenings at 7pm. Information and links were sent out via Pegboard. Other events are on hold at

this time. She reported that there will be a new art exhibit, *Utah Women Making History* coming soon to coincide with the upcoming election. The exhibit recognizes Utah's suffragettes. Garfield County School District (GCSD) schools are still open in the district. Boulder Elementary School (BES) is doing well with 32 students enrolled this year. They are working on a proposal to have an air filtration system put in for this winter. The Extreme Microbial system is an air and surface virus protection. It uses oxygen and humidity to produce ionized hydrogens. She suggested it might be something to look at installing in the Community Center building. Mayor Cox asked if it is a one time cost. Elizabeth answered that it is. The company has some different options. The system BES is having installed will tie in through the existing heating and cooling (HVAC) system. The school will be responsible for the electrical hook ups. The quote for the BES building is \$5800. Mayor Cox asked if the company did a site visit. She replied that they didn't, she submitted square footage measurements of each room and provided details about the ducting system. Mayor Cox stated that this might be something for the Town Council (TC) to look at getting for the Community Center and asked the TC how they feel. All members agreed. Mayor Cox asked Gladys to work with Elizabeth about obtaining a bid. Mayor Cox reminded the TC that we need to spend the first distribution of the CARES funds by 11/30/2020. He then asked if we need to send Andy and Taylor a letter from the town to ask where they are in the process of EMT certification and ask for reimbursement if they aren't going to move forward. Judi will send them both a letter. Elizabeth reported that she forwarded grant information for Safe Routes to School. She will continue to look at trails from the subdivision in Upper Boulder to BES. Judi added that the Town received a notice stating funding had been received. Elizabeth confirmed it was the same information she received stating that the grant application is due October 23rd for the fiscal year through UDOT.

Cemetery, Buildings and Travel Council:

Gladys reported that Jimmy will finish the floor in the Post Office. She received the bill for the rebar and pvc pipe to display flags next to Veterans gravesites at the cemetery. The TC discussed how much money to spend on flags. There is money available in the budget so she will move forward on obtaining flags.

Planning Commission, Roads, Garfield County PC:

Judy reported that the excess asphalt, etc. at the new turning lane on HWY 12 and Burr Trail road was removed today. She reported that in 5 or 7-10 days UDOT will chip seal the newly laid road and paint the lines soon after. The Planning Commission (PC) meeting began with Lee Nellis. He touched on design standards for commercial buildings and the Table of Uses. He feels they are ready to proceed with a public hearing and then on to the TC. Colleen wants the

PC to go over it one more time, then back to Lee for fine tuning and hopefully they will hold a public hearing in November. The RSTR mapping project presentation was postponed until next week. Judy received a rough estimate of \$60-\$80, from Sam, to install the road signs at the cemetery and at the Jepsen's. She's going to look at the posts not being used on Lower Boulder and Burr Trail road to see if they can repurpose them elsewhere. The county did some patching and paving of Lower Boulder road but missed places. She also reported that the PC reviewed the ethics code and they are going to adopt the same practice as the TC. She spoke to Tracy about the corner of the Burr Trail and they discussed putting in cement barriers to prevent vehicles from blocking the sign.

Mayor:

Mayor Cox reported that we received a draft of our codified records. He, Curtis and the town clerks are in the process of proofreading them and getting closer to a final draft. He stated that we've had internet issues at the Community Center due to the shared line with the library. Dave Torgeson with South Central Communications came and installed a new line for the clerk's office. Dave estimates we will have fiber by the end of the year. Mayor Cox anticipates we will hopefully reopen the Community Center as an anchor location to conduct hybrid town meetings through Zoom in the next month or so.

Clerks - September Checks Issued:

Judi doesn't have checks issued yet because not all employees have submitted their time. Michala got in touch with Kyle at Pelorus. Her goal is to have it up and running by the November meeting. Peg stated that next week's PC meeting would have a review of Lee Nellis's findings, the RSTR mapping project and an introduction for a CUP for a communication network cell tower proposal.

Public Comments:

Donna Owen asked if the Table of Uses could be made public 1-2 weeks prior to a public hearing so folks can look at it ahead of time. Peg stated that it will be posted online after next week's meeting. Donna asked if the letters submitted by community members regarding the proposed Burr Trail Meadows will be posted to the website. Michala is working with Wayne at InfoWest to create a page on the website for all letters submitted to the town. Hopefully it will be done by Friday, October 2nd. Donna expressed her thanks that some work had been done to Lower Boulder road but stated that it still needs work.

Cynthia asked if the Mayor and TC had a response or update to threatening letters recently received by Garfield County leaders. Mayor Cox replied that they

turned the letters over to law enforcement immediately for investigation. Garfield County law enforcement and the FBI are investigating the matter. Mayor Cox contacted Commissioner Jerry Taylor recently and there is nothing to report at this time. When he hears back he will update the community. Cynthia asked if the town will have a chance to vote on the proposed Burr Trail Meadows subdivision. Mayor Cox clarified that there will be a public hearing for the community to express their opinions and then elected officials (PC and TC) vote on the proposal. The PC reviews and makes recommendations and the TC votes based on the PC's recommendations and the town's ordinances. Korla expressed her appreciation at being able to attend TC meetings virtually. Judi reminded Cynthia, and the audience that they can sign up on pmn.utah.gov to receive notifications regarding all town meetings.

Judy made a motion to adjourn, Gladys seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55p.m.