

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR (VIRTUAL) MEETING OF THE PALISADE BOARD OF TRUSTEES September 8, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Mikolai with Trustees present: Somerville, Carlson, Turner, and Maxwell. Mayor Pro-Tem Chase and Trustee L'Hommedieu appeared via Zoom. Also present were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, Community Development Director Allyson Shellhorn, and Finance Director Travis Boyd. Utilities Director Matt Lemon, Police Chief Deb Funston, and Deputy Fire Chief Jason Lee appeared via Zoom.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Motion #1 by Trustee Turner, seconded by Trustee Maxwell, to approve the agenda as presented.

A voice vote was requested.

The motion carried unanimously.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Janet Hawkinson reviewed her report and offered to answer any questions from the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda is intended to allow the Board to spend its time on more complex items. These items are generally perceived as non-controversial and can be approved by a single motion. The public or the Board members may ask that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

Expenditures

Approval of Bills from Various Town Funds – August 22, 2020 – September 2, 2020

Minutes

Minutes from the August 25, 2020 Board Meeting

Motion #2 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Turner, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was requested.

Yes: Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Turner, Trustee Somerville, Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, Trustee Carlson, Trustee L'Hommedieu, Trustee Maxwell

No:

Absent:

The motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None was offered.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2020-20 - Accepting Audit

Finance Director Travis Boyd stated that Chadwick, Steinkirchner, Davis, and Company, P.C. performed the annual financial audit of the Town of Palisade. Mr. Boyd also introduced Mike Nelson with the audit team, who gave a brief explanation of the findings detailed in the packet.

Motion #3 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Turner, approve Resolution 2020-20 and accept the 2019 audit performed by Chadwick, Steinkirchner, Davis, and Company, P.C.

A roll call vote was requested.

Yes: Trustee Turner, Trustee Somerville, Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, Trustee Carlson, Trustee L'Hommedieu, Trustee Maxwell, Mayor Mikolai

No:

Absent:

The motion carried

Resolution 2020-22 Mesa County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Town Manager Janet Hawkinson informed the Board that Andy Martsolf with Mesa County led the effort to put together the 2020 Mesa County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The purpose of natural hazards mitigation is to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from natural hazards. Mesa County's original Mitigation Plan was completed in 2004 and approved by FEMA in January 2005. The 2004 plan was revised in 2009/2010 and again in 2015 according to the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, which requires a five-year revision to achieve eligibility for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Mitigation Assistance, Pre-Disaster Mitigation, and Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs. This 2020 plan is an update to the 2015 plan.

Motion #4 by Trustee Somerville, seconded by Trustee Maxwell to approve Resolution 2020-22 to accept and adopt the 2020 Mesa County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

A roll call vote was requested.

Yes: Trustee Somerville, Mayor Pro-Tem Chase, Trustee Carlson, Trustee L'Hommedieu, Trustee Maxwell, Mayor Mikolai, Trustee Turner

No:

Absent:

The motion carried

OPEN DISCUSSION

Mayor Pro-Tem Chase asked staff about the timeline for receiving budget-to-actuals reports on a monthly basis as well as inquired about when budget work session would begin for the 2021 budget. The Consensus of the Board is to begin having work sessions on the second and third Tuesdays of the month (Board meeting days) at 5:00 pm. After a lengthy discussion amongst the Board, the consensus is to receive budget-to-actual reports every three months.

Trustee Somerville gave a brief update on the first meeting of the Grand Valley Task Force. He also noted that he has been receiving numerous questions and concerns as to when the Town would begin having inperson meetings again. The consensus is to move the next few meetings to the gymnasium or community center to see how it goes.

Trustee Maxwell thanked staff for the quick response to her request for a speed radar sign at 1st Street.

Mayor Mikolai stated that he would be meeting with FCI Constructors and JUB Engineering soon to discuss the proposed medical clinic and any possibilities of building it where the old high school is located. He assured the Board that he would keep them updated as any new information evolved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustees gave brief updates about the various committees and meetings they attended.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion #7 by Trustee Turner, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Chase to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 pm.

A voice vote was requested.

The motion carried unanimously.

WORK SESSION

A work session of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Palisade to review truck routes began at 6:45 pm. Present at the work session were Mayor Mikolai, Trustees, Somerville, Carlson, Turner, and Maxwell. Mayor Pro-Tem Chase and Trustee L'Hommedieu appeared via Zoom. Also present were Town Manager Janet Hawkinson, Town Clerk Keli Frasier, Community Development Director Allyson Shellhorn, and Finance Director Travis Boyd. Utilities Director Matt Lemon, Police Chief Deb Funston, and Deputy Fire Chief Jason Lee appeared via Zoom.

Greg Mikolai Mayor

Keli L. Frasier Town Clerk