

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FAIRPLAY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

August 7, 2017

CALL TO ORDER WORK SESSION @ 6:30 P.M.

A. Foss Smith and Joe Torrez, Park County School District RE-2, Update

School Board President Foss Smith introduced the new School District Superintendent, Joe Torrez. Mr. Torrez stated that he has 31 years of experience in education and talked about his background and philosophy. He is working on new grants for the district that will increase both staff and services offered. Mr. Torrez also stated that he puts a high priority on raising an additional \$150,000 for grant match money that would enable the district to complete Phase I of the sports complex on County Road 3. Mayor Lane stated that he'd like to have the South Park Student Council members attend a few Town Board meetings each year and see how government operates at the Town level. Mr. Torrez and the Board talked about initiating a mentor/ internship program for students that would provide the students the opportunity to complete community service hours, helping Town Staff and learning about local government.

CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Fairplay was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located in the Fairplay Town Hall, 901 Main Street, by Mayor Gabby Lane who proceeded with the pledge of allegiance, followed by the roll call which was answered by Trustees Scott Dodge, Eve Stapp, Ray Douglas and Frank Just. Also in attendance were Town Administrator/ Clerk Tina Darrah, Public Works Director Vaughn Mead, Acting Police Chief Bo Schlunsen, Town Treasurer Kim Wittbrodt and Deputy Town Clerk Claudia Werner.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Motion #1 by Trustee Just, seconded by Trustee Douglas, that the agenda be adopted as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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.*)

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 5 and 19, 2017

B. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES – Approval of bills of various Town Funds in the amount of \$152,209.58.

Motion #2 by Trustee Dodge, seconded by Trustee Stapp, that the consent agenda be adopted as presented. A roll call vote was taken: Dodge- yes, Stapp – yes, Lane – yes, Douglas – yes, Just - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jim Dexter, 1140 Meadow Drive, introduced himself and then spoke regarding the Burro Days event put on by the Town. He stated that he thought the honor guard was great and he'd like to see them come back next year. He thanked the Board and Staff for a good fireworks display and an overall well planned and executed event. However, he was concerned when he heard the Friday night band using foul language in the lyrics of their song as children looked on. In addition, he suggested that promotions and banners for the Town's July 4th celebration reference Independence Day instead of 4th of July, to honor, recognize and respect the men and women who have served our country in order to maintain the freedoms that we are all afforded. Mr. Dexter offered to help pay for new banners that read "Independence Day".

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Other discussion items

No other discussion items were offered.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Request for Banner Placement by Front Street Merchants

Town Administrator/ Clerk Darrah presented a letter and proposed banner design provided by a group of Front Street Merchants and recommended approval of their request. It was also noted that the Front Street Merchants have agreed that the Town is not responsible for repairing or replacing the banner should it get damaged and the group has been informed of the Town’s experiences with banners in this location suffering from wind damage. The Town has also talked with the South Park Chamber of Commerce regarding permanent signage for Front Street. Brion and Janet Trahan, 435 Front Street, were also available to answer any questions the Board may have had in regards to the proposed banner.

Motion #3 by Trustee Dodge, seconded by Trustee Just, that the Board allow the Front Street Merchants to place a banner on the Town’s banner poles near the intersection of Hwy 9 and Hwy 285. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Discussion/ Direction on Street Improvements Schedule

Public Works Director Vaughn Mead gave a Power Point presentation covering street improvement already completed this year as well as those projects that are to be completed before the end of 2017. He addressed the Board’s concerns regarding proper maintenance of Town streets and has solicited bids for maintenance related items and asked for Board direction regarding the budgetary implications of these maintenance items.

Motion #4 by Trustee Just, seconded by Trustee Dodge, that the Board approve expenditures for seal coat and crack fill, on all Town streets that have been resurfaced in recent years, and also approve going into Town’s reserve funds to complete this work. A roll call vote was taken: Dodge- yes, Stapp – yes, Lane – yes, Douglas – yes, Just - yes. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Other new business

Town Administrator/ Clerk Darrah stated that the Best and Brightest Intern work plan has been submitted to DOLA.

Town Treasurer Wittbrodt informed the Board that a 2018 Budget Planning Work Session has been scheduled for August 28, 2017.

MAYOR AND TRUSTEE REPORTS

Mayor Lane thanked Duane Thompson and all the other volunteers that have worked in the Visitor Center at Town Hall this summer and acknowledged the difference they have made in our community.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lane, noting that there being no further business before the Board, declared that the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Gabby Lane, Mayor

ATTEST:

Claudia Werner, Deputy Town Clerk