

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
FAIRPLAY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Monday, May 18, 2020**

**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 6:07 p.m., and was held virtually via GoToWebinar, by Mayor Frank Just who proceeded with the pledge of allegiance, followed by the roll call which was answered by Trustees Scott Dodge, Trustee Eve Stapp, Trustee Josh Voorhis and Trustee Cindy Bear. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Tina Darrah, Director of Public Works Jim Brown and Assistant Town Administrator Mason Green.

**AGENDA ADOPTION**

**Motion #1** by Trustee Bear, seconded by Trustee Dodge, 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** –May 4, 2020.

**B. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES**—Approval of bills of various Town funds in the amount of \$35,432.78

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

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Assistant Town Administrator Mason Green informed the Board that staff had received no requests to speak at citizen comment.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Other Discussion Items

No unfinished business and no other discussion items were offered.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Should the Board Approve Adoption of Ordinance No.2, Series of 2020, entitled, "AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF FAIRPLAY, COLORADO, REQUIRING THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS IN PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION WITHIN THE TOWN."?

Town Administrator Darrah introduced the topic by reminding the Board that James Dean, owner of Prathers Market, had offered citizen comment at the May 4<sup>th</sup> Board of Trustees Meeting at which time he requested the Board consider an ordinance which would require persons to wear a face covering in places of public accommodation. She informed the Board that this ordinance had been drafted by Town Attorney Paul Wisor and educated those present on what other Towns had done regarding similar ordinances. Lastly, Town Administrator Darrah expressed concern regarding the enforcement of the ordinance, if passed, stating that the Town would largely use the ordinance as an educational tool and reminded those present that business owners have the legal right to require their patrons to wear face coverings.

James Dean, owner of Prathers Market, addressed the Board and informed them he is primarily concerned with the influx of tourists over the summer months in regard to following his stores face covering policy.

Park County Commissioner Ray Douglas also addressed the Board regarding this topic stating that Park County was not considering a similar ordinance.

There was significant discussion regarding the nuances of the ordinance, such as exceptions and penalties, as well as discussion regarding the current legal rights business owners have in ensuring compliance with store policies.

There was advocacy both for an against the ordinance by members of the Board of Trustees but also an overwhelming desire to support the Town's business community.

**Motion #3** by Trustee Voorhis, not seconded, that the Board Approve Adoption of Ordinance No.2, Series of 2020, entitled, "AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TOWN OF FAIRPLAY, COLORADO, REQUIRING THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS IN PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION WITHIN THE TOWN." with the amendment that section three of the document be stricken. As the motion did not receive a second it failed and was not passed.

**OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

No additional new business was presented.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**Director of Public Works, Jim Brown** – Reported that the sludge removal had been completed and that there had been a water leak identified in Town but that the problem was being worked on.

**Trustee Scott Dodge** – Stated that the Town's Economic Development and Business Advisory Board had met last week and that the conversation heavily revolved around COVID-19, the protection of employees, and consistent messaging which would create expectations for Town visitors.

**Trustee Josh Voorhis** – Informed those present that the National Forest campsites in Park County would be opening on June 4<sup>th</sup> and that the majority of Forest Service Roads would be opening on June 15<sup>th</sup>.


**Trustee Cindy Bear** – Stated that the graduation banners for the graduating high school seniors are awesome and that its important for the Town to support our business owners during this time.

**Mayor Frank Just** – Stated he was looking forward to a planned meeting between a group of Front Street business owners and to discuss ways to aid the Towns downtown businesses.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no additional comments, Mayor Just adjourned the meeting at 7:24.

ATTEST:

  
Mason Green, Assistant Town Administrator

  
Frank Just, Mayor