

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FAIRPLAY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 2, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Town of Fairplay was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located in the Fairplay Town Hall, 901 Main Street, by Mayor Frank Just. Mayor Just proceeded with the pledge of allegiance, followed by the roll call which was answered by Trustees Eve Stapp, Scott Dodge and Josh Voorhis. Also in attendance were Town Treasurer Kim Wittbrodt, Town Attorney Paul Wisor, Assistant Town Administrator/Public Works Director Mason Green and Town Administrator/Clerk Tina Darrah. Trustee Nate Fidler was absent.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Motion #1 by Trustee Voorhis, seconded by Trustee Stapp, that the agenda be adopted as presented. Motion carried unanimously. (Trustee Fidler absent.)

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 EPENDITURES—Approval of bills of various Town funds in the amount of **\$25,745.74.**

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Laurence Burnett, 8th Street, offered citizen comment requesting that the Town place a 4-way stop at the corner of 8th and Clark as she and other residents feel it is a very dangerous intersection. The Board asked staff to investigate changing this intersection to a 4-way stop.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Other Discussion Items

None offered.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion Regarding Location of Basketball Court at Cohen Park

Public Works Director Green offered staff comment reminding the Board that per their direction, he has been working with Kit Axton from Star Playgrounds and Ryan Clifford from Ground Solutions to obtain a cost estimate for the relocation of the proposed basketball court at Cohen Park. After much discussion, it was agreed to wait until after the playground is installed to determine the location of the proposed basketball court. It was noted that the grant Mr. Green had obtained to do the work ends on August 22, 2022, so a decision by spring would be important to complete the work within the allocated time.

Discussion Regarding Town Administrator Position

Mayor Just announced that due to an unfortunate miscommunication the interview that had been planned with a very promising applicant for Town Administrator earlier that day had been rescheduled for later in the week. As such, he had nothing new to report regarding the Town Administrator position.

Other New Business

None offered.

BOARD OF TRUSTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

Trustee Dodge asked if the Town had ever received the data from the speed signs installed on Main Street. It was asked that Police Chief Schlunsen be asked to update the Board on this at a future meeting.

Trustee Voorhis asked that the Board consider raising the commercial fly-fishing permit fee for 2022 due to increased usage at the Fairplay Beach by the commercial companies.

Mayor Just reported on the Community Garden Clean-Up that had taken place the previous weekend, noting that 22 people had shown up and that a lot of progress had been made to clean-up the property.

WORKSESSION REGARDING RIVER PARK PHASE 2

Mayor Just and Trustee Stapp recused themselves from the discussion and left the meeting due to a potential conflict of interest as Mr. Just's company, Betone Civil Constructors, had bid on the project and Ms. Stapp has been employed by said company.

Mayor Pro-tem Dodge took over the meeting at 6:53p.m.

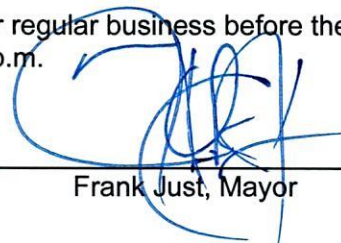
Matthew Whipple, from DHM Design, was present to go over the design plans for the second phase of the River Park improvements, to include a trail and bridge/boardwalk connecting the path that already exists off Front/8th Street to the small parking area created last year near Hwy. 285. Ms. Darrah explained that the reason for the work session was to go over the design as it had changed from what was originally discussed, namely the bridge versus boardwalk portion, and to discuss issues with the bid process as only one bid had been received in response to the Request for Bid. It was noted that this bid was from Betone Civil Constructors.

Mr. Whipple went over the design and explained that they had put the bid package together with a bridge instead of a board walk at their engineer's insistence due to problems with helical piers being placed in the soil composition at the site and because of the height of the structure.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the project would be put back out to bid October 1st with the bridge as a deduct and if no bids were received, the project would go out to bid with the trail only on November 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro-tem Dodge, noting that there being no further regular business before the Board, declared that the regular meeting be adjourned at 8:19 p.m.



Frank Just, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tina Darrah, Town Clerk