

Town of Crested Butte
Regular Town Council Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, August 6, 2013
Council Chambers, Crested Butte Town Hall

Mayor Huckstep called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Council members present: Jim Schmidt, Shaun Matuszewicz, David K. Owen, Roland Mason, John Wirsing, and Glenn Michel.

Staff present: Todd Crossett, Town Manager; John Belkin, Town Attorney; and Shelley Jansen, Town Clerk.

Staff present for part of the meeting: Rodney Due, Public Works Director; Jake Jones, Parks and Recreation Director; Lois Rozman, Finance Director; Tom Martin, Marshall; Bob Gillie, Building and Zoning Director.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mason moved and seconded to approve the agenda.

A roll call vote was taken with all voting "Yes." **Motion Passed.**

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Approval of Minutes July 1, 2013
- 2) Approval of Minutes July 15, 2013
- 3) ATMOS Energy/Colorado Onecall Proclamation.
- 4) Resolution of Support for GOCO Grant in Regards to Big Mine Master Site Plan.

Schmidt moved and Mason seconded to approve the consent agenda with removing item 3) Approval of Special Event, Grand Traverse Mountain Run, August 23 & 24, 2013 under consent agenda, due to the event cancelling.

A roll call vote was taken with all voting "Yes." **Motion Passed.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kendall Tankersley, Owner of the Third Bowl Ice Cream on 4th St. is observing hazardous situations in front of the business, due to parking challenges with ADA and strollers. Tankersley recommends putting in a curb stop in front of the businesses. Council put the topic under other business that comes before the council.

Pamela Loughman, Director of Tourism Association wanted to bring an opportunity to the community of Crested Butte. The State distributes 400,000 requested copies (not copies that sit on a rack) of the Colorado Vacation Guide and the Colorado Tourism Association and they are offering a matching grant program up to \$25,000. Loughman stated that instead of running a full page ad in the Colorado Vacation Guide, as has been in the past, the Tourism Association would like to run a small vacation planner insert (8 pages) into the guide. Loughman stated the cost is \$96,000 plus design costs. Per page cost is \$12,500. In a future Town Council meeting

Loughman will come to discuss the possibility of a financial donation towards the \$25,000. That would give the TA \$50,000 (if selected by the grant) towards the \$96,000. The other \$46,000 and design cost will come out of the TA.

STAFF UPDATES

Rodney Due-

- Upper Gunnison Water Conservation had a meeting with the State Water Congress and they are asking for funds (\$325,000 total) to help support the initiatives for legal and educational expenses on an upcoming ballot initiative. Once this becomes a ballot initiative they cannot ask for funding.

Topics of the initiative are below:

1. Water rights being a public domain
2. Water quality discharges
3. Property access

Lois Rozman-

- June sales tax is the best the Town has ever seen for the month and for the year it is up by 7.3%
- 5 year IT Strategic plan is beginning tomorrow
- 110 surveys were sent out about congestion on Elk Ave. and the Town has received 10. Due date is on Thursday.
- Department Heads met with the Chamber Director and discussed a collaborative survey in the winter.

Bob Gillie-

- Marijuana Task Force has been meeting and there will be a work session at the August 19th.
- Gunnison County Electric Association is coming forward with an agreement
- Due and Gillie went to the C-DOT planning meeting and the entrance to the Town made the list for 2040.
- Depot is under phase 2 and will be doing bidding for the windows, doors and exterior of the building.
- Affordable Housing Conference Oct. 8-11th.

Todd Crossett-

- Maintenance and operations agreement was signed with the Nordic Center.
- Deputy Clerk position is advertised.
- Continued discussion about replacing the Planner position is still ongoing.

Jake Jones-

- Recreation path expansion-600 feet of boardwalk over wetlands and quotes are coming in by mid-September.
- Resubmitting Tennis Court grant-GOCO
- Grant for Big Mine Ice Arena Site Plan-GOCO

Shelley Jansen-

- There will be an Election Informational meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, August 12, 2013 in Council Chambers.

Tom Martin-

- New Officer, James Beda graduated top of his class last Friday. He will be starting August 17th. Beda will be sworn in on August 21st at 10:30 a.m. by Judge Eden.
- Ted is back on light duty.
- Schmidt asked about bears and Martin state that they are coming as winter approaches, but it has been a good summer.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1) Ordinance No. 17 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Article 2 of the Crested Butte Municipal Code to Include New Regulations for the Occupancy, Construction and Excavation within the Public Right-of-Way.

Mayor Huckstep opened the public hearing.

Schmidt asked about the deposit and how long the Town holds the funds? Due stated is it a case by case basis. Schmidt asked about the section that stated repair of sidewalks to an adjacent property will be paid by homeowners, but Due stated that it will also be done as a case by case basis.

Mayor Huckstep opened for public comment

Mike Haney stated that this ordinance is a fantastic idea to have rules. The elephant in the room is support for the Public Works enforcement.

Mayor Huckstep closed the public hearing.

Matusewicz moved and Wirsing seconded to approve ordinance No. 17, Series 2013-An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Article 2 of the Crested Butte Municipal code to Include New Regulations for the Occupancy, construction and Excavation within the Public Right-of-Way. A roll call vote was taken with all voting "Yes." **Motion Passed.**

NEW BUSINESS

1) HB 1303 Presentation by Kathy Simillion and Diane Folowell, Gunnison County Election Clerks.

This bill does the following:

1. Same day registration.
2. There will not be polling locations.
3. All ballots will be delivered by mail.
4. All inactive voters will be active (inactive fail to vote for 6 years).
5. Cast your ballot in the County Office, three polling locations in the future (Parrish Hall, Blackstock Building and Fred Fieldhouse), but there will only be one location this year (Blackstock building) with a machine, lost or misplaced ballots can be replaced in the County office.
6. If the municipality or government does a November election the municipality is required to have a coordinated election.

2) Non-profit Banners at Pitsker Field.

Discussion ensued about the enforcement and banner policy. Jones stated that if it is a recurring event the banner would be allowed to be up all summer. Council agreed.

Matuszewicz discussed a tag that could be put on the banner.

Jones will give the event a choice on whether they want to put up a generic or unique banner for on-going events. Council agreed not to change the code.

3) Discussion and Possible Action regarding Open Space Policy.

Discussion ensued about Open Space Fund Balances within the Policy-

1. Maintenance Fund of \$50,000 for 18 current easements.
2. Stewardship Fund of \$150,000 (litigation fees).

Michel asked if we have the funds available to support the funds. Rozman stated that the funds will be built up over time.

Ann Johnston, Director of the Land Trust stated that when the Land Trust considers risk or creating a Stewardship Fund it is done based upon each project. Land Trust also has a policy that they pay a \$5,000 deductible for litigation. That is something only offered to Land Trusts. Johnston asked if the Town would support other projects if the reserve balance is not up to \$200,000 target (\$140,000 currently in the Stewardship Fund). Rozman stated that it could be phased in.

Discussion continued about what the balance of the Stewardship and Maintenance Fund should be. Rozman stated that she will look into the current easement projects to figure out the needs for a better figure.

Jones stated that the policy is timely and the Land Trust is coming forward at the next meeting to ask for an easement. Rozman received a confirmation from the Council that the next easement will be going through the new policy.

LEGAL MATTERS

Amendment 64 Task Force has a preliminary ordinance and it will be presented at the work session on the 19th of August. A Town Hall public hearing on the Amendment 64 topic will be on September 3, 2013.

Tami Tanoue, CIRSA General Counsel/Claims Manager will be here on Monday, August 19th to present to the council.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

For a Conference with the Town Attorney for the Purpose of Receiving Legal Advice on Specific Legal Questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b).

Wirsing moved and Schmidt seconded to go into an executive session for a conference with the Town Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b).

A roll call vote was taken with all voting "Yes". **Motion Passed.**

Council went into executive session at 10:21 p.m. and ended at 12:01 a.m. Mason, Owen, Matuszewicz, Huckstep, Wirsing, Michel, Schmidt, Crossett and Belkin attended. No action was taken.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Matuszewicz-

- Funky Town, Center for the Arts on Thursday.

Wirsing-

- Dan, Director of the Chamber is working hard to reach out to the business owners.
- Board opening still available with the Tourism Association at the North end of the valley.
- CBMR has decided not do business ski passes.
- Visitor Center traffic is up by 3,000 more people

Michel-

- Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) is putting on a program for local officials and requested support from the Council funds. Council agreed.

Schmidt-

- Cemetery Committee met and had 17 people in attendance. Subcommittees are set up and the next meeting is September 4, 2013.
- Schmidt stated that he needs to resign from Housing Committee and is looking for a replacement. Council asked Todd to recommend someone from the Staff.

Huckstep-

- High School Mt. Bike team looking at the lower loop as a route for future competition.
- RTA meeting Friday, August 8 a.m. at Town Hall
- GCSAPP meeting, August 14 at noon
- Huckstep asked Crossett about a joint meeting with Mt. Crested Butte Council to discuss the Affordable Housing project. Crossett discussed the process of updating the staff and then bringing it to both councils.

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Third Bowl Ice Cream challenge with parking in front of the establishment. Town has put compact car signage up and a bike rack to help resolve the problem. There are challenges with putting in concrete stops with snowplowing. Council presented a possible stanchion outside of the establishment. Michel brought up the BOZAR plans for a future renovation for Donita's to reference parking spaces.

The Council is open to gathering more information on the Tourism Association State advertising campaign idea. Council requested a future new business item.

Mason asked Rodney to look at 1st and Butte Avenue. Should there be a stop sign?
Council asks Due and Crossett to table the water topic until other local entities take action.

DISCUSSION TO SCHEDULE FUTURE WORK SESSION TOPICS

None

COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

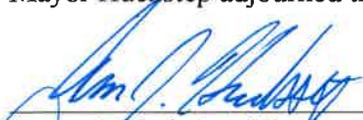
Monday, August 19, 2013-6 p.m. Work Session-7 p.m. Regular Council.

Tuesday, September 3, 2013-6 p.m. Work Session-7 p.m. Regular Council

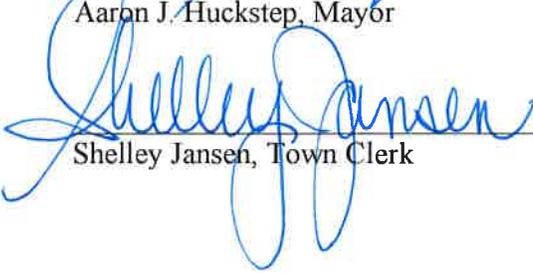
Monday, September 16, 2013-6 p.m. Work Session-7 p.m. Regular Council

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Huckstep adjourned the meeting at 12:02 a.m.



Aaron J. Huckstep, Mayor



Shelley Jansen, Town Clerk

(SEAL)

