

MINUTES
Town of Crested Butte
Regular Town Council Meeting
Monday, May 6, 2019
Council Chambers, Crested Butte Town Hall

Mayor Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Council Members Present: Will Dujardin, Candice Bradley, Chris Haver, Jackson Petito, and Paul Merck

Staff Present: Town Manager Dara MacDonald, Town Attorney John Sullivan, and Community Development Director Michael Yerman

Parks and Recreation Director Janna Hansen and Town Clerk Lynelle Stanford (for part of the meeting)

Schmidt summarized the topics of the work session. He thanked Jonathan Houck, and he mentioned the upcoming open house that would be held by the Slate River Working Group.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Merck moved and Haver seconded a motion to approve the agenda. A roll call vote was taken with all voting, "Yes." **Motion passed unanimously.**

CONSENT AGENDA

1) April 15, 2019 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes.

2) Resolution No. 5, Series 2019 - A Resolution of the Crested Butte Town Council Authorizing the Town Manager to Sign an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Gunnison County Weed District Regarding Undesirable Plant Management.

Merck moved and Dujardin seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. A roll call vote was taken with all voting, "Yes." **Motion passed unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Deidre Witherell - 354 Cisneros Lane in CB South - Candidate for Gunnison County Electric Association (GCEA) Board of Directors

- Witherell informed the Council that GCEA had an upcoming election.
- Ballots would be mailed May 31st.
- She introduced herself and summarized her background.
- She supported transition to clean energy.

David Leinsdorf - 3 Treasury Hill Road

- He represents Friends of Brush Creek.
- He asked if there had been conversations regarding the Gatesco project.
- Schmidt relayed what they learned from Houck regarding housing in Gunnison.

STAFF UPDATES

- Schmidt referred to the manager's report in the packet. MacDonald did not have additions.
- MacDonald emailed calendar notifications for upcoming meetings. She thanked the Council for their consent to her trip.
- Schmidt brought up the large pothole on 6th Street, and MacDonald described the repair.
- Schmidt questioned the status of the pole-vaulting event.
- Schmidt acknowledged the Town would start drawing interest on deposits.
- Schmidt mentioned Town Clean-up on May 18th.

PUBLIC HEARING

1) Ordinance No. 22, Series 2019 - An Ordinance of the Crested Butte Town Council Raising the Payment of Compensation to Members of the Town Council and the Mayor.

Schmidt affirmed the raises would not go into effect until after the election this fall. He referred to a newspaper article reporting on the raises being considered in Aspen.

Schmidt confirmed proper public notice had been given. He opened the public hearing. No one chose to comment. The public hearing was closed.

Merck moved and Dujardin seconded a motion to pass Ordinance No. 22, Series 2019. A roll call vote was taken with all voting, "Yes." **Motion passed unanimously.**

NEW BUSINESS

1) Comment Letter to CBMBA Regarding Proposed Lupine 2 Extension Trail in Five Year Master Plan.

Yerman asked the Council to comment to include asking CBMBA to remove the proposed Lupine 3 expansion from their five-year plan. Staff recommended the trail be removed from the plan because of wildlife, trespassing, and grazing. Staff supported other trails, the rest of CBMBA's efforts, and the planning process. Dujardin stated that people wanted connection from Slate River to Washington Gulch. Yerman emphasized it was important to be a good neighbor. Merck liked the idea of the proposed trail. Dave Ochs, CBMBA Executive Director, informed that the number one desire from their constituency was to connect Washington Gulch to Slate River. However, they were willing to take it off their plan. Dujardin wanted to recognize that Town did not want to

take the trail off of the long-term plan. He recommended additional clarification in order to keep the option open for a future trail. The sentence added to the letter as suggested by Yerman was: “The Town is open to considering this trail in the future and hopes to work with CBMBA in improving single-track connectivity with open space projects.”

Merck moved and Haver seconded a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the comment letter to CBMBA with the sentence going in about the future. A roll call vote was taken with all voting, “Yes.” **Motion passed unanimously.**

2) Resolution No. 6, Series 2019 - A Resolution of the Crested Butte Town Council Approving the Lease Agreement with the Trailhead Children’s Museum for 620 Second Street, AKA Big Mine Warming House.

Yerman updated that a property owner refused to sign the Restrictive Covenant Agreement (RCA) to change the use that was approved through BOZAR. Town could not release a letter, confirming the Trailhead’s compliance with zoning, to the State of Colorado without the RCA.

Hansen explained the Trailhead wanted to move into the Big Mine Warming House as soon as possible. Similar non-profits had used the space in the past. The terms of the lease were similar to what had been previously approved. Hansen reviewed programs of the Trailhead. Schmidt questioned potential conflicts with special events and the usage of the bathrooms by skate park users.

Merck moved and Petito seconded a motion to pass Resolution No. 6, Series 2019. A roll call vote was taken with all voting, “Yes.” **Motion passed unanimously.**

LEGAL MATTERS

Sullivan reminded the Council of Jo Seavy attending the meeting on June 3rd.

Sullivan and Green had been discussing holding a workshop for review with the Council on their roles and working with the Town Attorney.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Jackson Petito

- He went to the Housing Foundation meeting on the 24th. They saw a grant application from GV Heat, who could not do certain things to make housing livable. They heard updates about ongoing projects and were narrowing their focus.

Paul Merck

- He toured the ICELab as a member of the TAPP Board. They were working to lure businesses to move here.
- He would attend a STOR Committee meeting next week.

Chris Haver

- He went to the RTA meeting last Friday. The airport ran well this winter. They were finishing up the study to determine what would be best for upgrading the terminals and would then come up with concepts.
- They were replacing a part on high mileage busses. New bus stops would go in on 135. They were retrofitting bus stops with brighter lights. March was great, up 3%. Two new CNG busses were launched today.
- There would be two flights per day starting in early June.

Candice Bradley

- The Creative District was getting a lot of applications for the sculpture garden.

Will Dujardin

- Went to a Mountain Express meeting. He reviewed ski season numbers. March ridership was up compared to last March. They did not receive a CDOT grant for new busses. They would have a retreat to develop a strategic plan.
- CC4CA was happy about bills that had passed through the House.
- He reported on the water workshop he attended as a part of the county team. He listed the people on their team. Their goal was to create attainable action items, and they wanted to raise the general water IQ. He would like to continue meeting with the group. Dujardin read the team statement: "Our way of life depends on clean and abundant water. Our water supply is shrinking, our community is growing, threats are increasing, and tempers will flare. Unless we take action now, we may lack enough clean water to support the very reasons we choose to call this place home. Therefore, as an informed community, we will make water quality and quantity a driving force in our decision making." He summarized it was their guiding idea. No one voiced disagreement with the statement or with Dujardin attending future meetings.
- He met with Adaptive and would be helping with Bridges of the Butte.
- He listed upcoming meetings he would attend.
- The community was going through recent rough patches. He appreciated support amongst community members.

Jim Schmidt

- He went to the CDOT meeting. They were talking about two four-hour closures a day in Little Blue Canyon in the summer of 2020.
- He attended the Forest Service discussion about fire. There would be prescribed burns. There was consensus that once people were gone they would not use water droppings to save one house built in a vulnerable place.
- Went to mayor/managers meeting last Thursday at the new assisted living facility and nursing home. The facility was filling up quickly. The college would build 22 units for housing.
- He toured The Center and the Adaptive Sports Center.
- He would attend a housing meeting on Wednesday and a Climate Action Plan meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

The Council confirmed they were interested in the workshop suggested by Sullivan during Legal Matters.

Petito announced the next meeting would be his last. Schmidt confirmed the Council had to appoint someone within 30 days of his resignation.

MacDonald reported there were almost 4,500 loads of snow removed by Town crews this winter, including 900 loads from Elk Avenue. She provided comparison to the last two years, and she acknowledged a lot more snow was hauled this year.

Schmidt stated Mt. CB had a new mayor and council member. He suggested that the two councils meet later in the summer. Haver requested they have the meeting in June, rather than July or August. The Council suggested the week of June 24th.

DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULING FUTURE WORK SESSION TOPICS AND COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

- Monday, May 20, 2019 - 6:00PM Work Session - 7:00PM Regular Council
- Monday, June 3, 2019 - 6:00PM Work Session - 7:00PM Regular Council
- Monday, June 17, 2019 - 6:00PM Work Session - 7:00PM Regular Council

EXECUTIVE SESSION

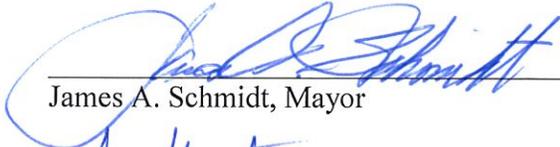
Schmidt read the reason for Executive Session: for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e) regarding possible restrictive covenant amendment.

Dujardin moved and Merck seconded a motion to go into Executive Session. A roll call vote was taken with all voting, "Yes." **Motion passed unanimously.**

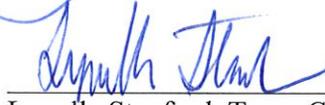
The Council went into Executive Session at 8:23PM. They returned to open meeting at 8:45PM. Mayor Schmidt made the required announcement upon returning to open meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schmidt adjourned the meeting at 8:47PM.



James A. Schmidt, Mayor



Lynelle Stanford, Town Clerk (SEAL)

