

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Regular Meeting of the Meeker Town Board was held Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at Town Hall.

Members Present	Mayor	Borchard
	Trustees	Creecy (attended by phone)
		Day
		Gutierrez
		Kindall
		Nielsen
Town Staff Present	Administrator	Cook
	Attorney	Massih (attended by phone)
	Town Clerk	Tupy (attended by phone)
	Police Chief	Thompson
	PW Superintendent	Overton
	Admin. Assistant	Pakuer
	Animal Control	Haney
	Lieutenant	Hayes
	Officer	Amick

Citizens Present: Hendrickson, Callie; Farrar, Davis (attended by phone); Farrar, Matt (attended by phone); Rogers, Mark (attended by phone).

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Borchard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

All Board members were present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Borchard asked for changes to the agenda. A motion was made by Trustee Kindall to accept the agenda as is. Second by Trustee Gutierrez. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Administrator Cook stated that corrections were made to the minutes for February 9, 2021 under; Renewal of Ute Park Permit Agreement with Meeker Classic Sheepdogs Inc. changing the word bedside to besides and including All ayes motion carried will be added to the paragraph. A motion was made by Trustee Kindall to accept the changes. Second by Trustee Gutierrez. All ayes. Motion carried.

Administrator Cook noted that corrections were made to the minutes for the Special Meeting February 2, 2021, changing the heading from Regular Meeting to Special Meeting and under Call to Order changing the time from 7:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A motion was made by Trustee Kindall to, approve the minutes as corrected. Second by Trustee Nielsen. All ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY DISBURSEMENTS

Administrator Cook stated in the Water Fund item three to Gould Construction for \$59,337.47 is the final payment for the water supply improvement project. A motion was made by Trustee Nielsen to approve the disbursements dated February 2, 2021. Second by Trustee Gutierrez. All ayes. Trustee Day abstained on line item three in the Water Fund due to his involvement with the project. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

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STAFF UPDATES

Chief Thompson introduced Officer Jim Amick who was hired by the Police Department; there were 290 incidents for the month of January, eight summons and three arrests.

PW Superintendent Overton reported there were 10,138,000 gallons of water consumed; PW staff attended a backflow class and they have been plowing and hauling snow.

Town Clerk Tupy reported currently there are three cases on the docket and four unpaid tickets for Municipal Court next week.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Request from the Meeker Lions Club for a Special Event Liquor Permit at Rio Blanco Fairgrounds 4-H Building for Meeker Skijoring Social and Calcutta Event on February 20, 2021. Mayor Borchard opened the public hearing at 7:07pm. Administrator Cook stated all the items for the Lions Club Special Event Liquor Permit at Rio Blanco 4-H Building for Meeker Skijoring Social and Calcutta Event are in order, and staff recommends approval. Hearing no questions or comments from the public, Mayor Borchard closed the public hearing at 7:10pm and called for a motion to approve the request from the Meeker Lions Club for a Special Event Liquor Permit at Rio Blanco Fairgrounds 4-H Building for Meeker Skijoring Social and Calcutta Event on February 20, 2021. Moved by Trustee Nielsen. Second by Trustee Kindall. All Ayes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Bid award for 2021 Meeker Police patrol vehicle. Chief of Police Thompson presented two bids for a 2021 1500 SSV Crew Cab 4x4. One bid was from Victory Motors in Craig in the amount of \$29,263.00, the other bid from Berthod Motors in Glenwood Springs in the amount of \$33,543.00. Chief Thompson recommended approving Victory Motors for \$29,263.00. Mayor Borchard called for a motion to award the bid submitted by Victory Motors in the amount of \$29,263.00. Moved by Trustee Day. Second by Trustee Gutierrez. All ayes. Motion carried.

Consideration of a motion to accept the final version of the Town of Meeker Community Master Plan. Administrator Cook stated the Planning Commission adopted the Community Master Plan, which includes the Appendices and the Addendum to the Appendices; Dark Sky Lighting and the Meeker National Historic District. Mayor Borchard called for a motion from the Board to accept the final version of the Town of Meeker Community Master Plan, also referred to as the Comprehensive Plan, as adopted by the Planning Commission of the Town of Meeker at its meeting held on February 8, 2021. Moved by Trustee Kindall. Second by Trustee Nielsen. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding livestock requirements within the Town limits. Administrator Cook and Animal Control Officer Haney presented the Board with three options for allowing livestock in town. Option #1: Grandfather existing uses but allow no additional livestock in the Town limits. Option #2: Grandfather existing uses, allow no additional large livestock but provide a provision to allow 4-H animal (sheep & goats) March-August. Option #3: Grandfather existing uses, provide a provision to allow 4-H animals (sheep & goats) March-August and allow large livestock but with a lot size restriction (similar to Cedaredge). Cook also spoke to the Extension office they have 10 community pens for 4-H or FFA animals at \$25.00 per season; the fairgrounds has 32 covered pens (including the 10 community pens) and 12 open stalls at \$60.00 per month per head. Animal Control Haney reported there are currently six properties with large animals, most of the complaints occur in the summer months. Citizen Callie Hendrickson at 601 Pine St. has horses she spoke and stated she bought the property two years ago because the Town of Meeker allowed large livestock. Ms. Hendrickson keeps her grounds clean and rents a large dumpster specifically for disposing of manure. Trustee Day is opposed to options one and two

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stating that allowing large animals is not a detriment and it is important for our youth to be able to participate in 4-H and FFA. Mayor Borchard asked Davis Farrar about addressing the livestock requirements during the Land Use Code update, it was decided the Board would give Davis direction as to what they want included. There was discussion about restricting the number of chickens a resident can have to twelve, and not allowing roosters.

MAYOR'S REMARKS

None.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Administrator Cook informed the board there has been one application submitted thus far for the trustee vacancy, the application deadline is February 22nd. The board will meet on February 24th at 7:00pm to conduct interviews with the applicants that have applied. The Best Management Practices workshop with DOLA is scheduled for March 2nd at 5:30pm.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

Police Chief Thompson asked for the Board's approval to relocate his residency outside town limits but within the county. The Municipal Code has no requirements regarding residency, but the Police Department requires a 20-minute response time. After some discussion the board approved Chief Thompson's request.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Borchard adjourned the meeting at 8:02pm.



Kent A. Borchard, Mayor

Attest:



Lisa Pakuer, Admin. Assistant