

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING June 1, 2020 MINUTES

Mayor Schoedinger called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Present at roll call were Trustees Loving, Yahnke, Mueller, Bedell, Brancato and Box.

Approval of Agenda

Trustee Yahnke motioned to approve the June 1, 2020 agenda. Trustee Loving 2nd the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes from May 4, 2020

Trustee Bedell made a motion to approve the May 4, 2020 minutes. Trustee Mueller 2nd the motion, which passed unanimously.

RECOVERY UPDATE

Discussion, Direction, Action: Flood Response, Recovery and Rebuilding The Recovery process is complete! The last project CR-94 finished earlier than expected.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June Pride Month Proclamation

Mayor Schoedinger read a Proclamation recognizing June as Pride Month in the Town of Jamestown. The Proclamation urges all residents to respect and honor our diverse community and celebrate and build a culture of inclusiveness and acceptance.

IN-PERSON REPORTS

Town Clerk

The 2019 Audit is in progress. There was a building permit received at 7 Main that was approved in May, it was missed on the previous report. Financials are reported on a quarterly basis.

LUHAC

Barbara-Byrnes Lenarcic gave an update on LUHAC activities. They will have a June meeting that is not been scheduled. Barb recognized and thanked Sterling Bennink for his efforts and help on LUHAC. He resigned last month from the Committee.

Stewardship Advisory Group

Ken Lenarcic reported that he completed re-seeding at 59 Ward Street on May 24th. There are enough seeds leftover to fill in areas this fall, if needed.

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Resolution 2020 6-20, Use of Public Space

The intention of this resolution is to allow the Mercantile to re-open during the pandemic. The Merc would like to use the Town Square to have a safe outdoor space to serve food. This resolution would waive any rental fees but maintain an agreement with the town for use of town spaces.

Trustee Mueller made a motion to approve Resolution 2020, 6-20 Use of Public Space. Trustee Yahnke 2nd the motion, which passed 5-0. Trustee Box abstained.

Approval for use/rental of the Town Square by the Merc (Rainbow) Tara gave a summary of the discussions she had with the town attorney. As far as approval of the Merc's operating plan, that is up to Rainbow to adhere to the State's requirements. The Board may choose to weigh in on the plan but is not required to approve it, only regarding the use of the town's property. The Merc would like to rent the town square during the times it is open for business. Both food and alcohol would be provided "to go". Merc patrons would be available to sit in the town square and eat their food. The use of the town square would be contingent on the town passing a resolution allowing the consumption of alcohol in the town square during this pandemic. Customers of the Merc can choose to eat at the town square or take food "to go". The Attorney stated that communities and the state are working hard to make sure businesses can open safely. In addition, she felt the Merc's re-open plan was in line with the intentions of COVID-19 state regulations that are in effect currently.

The board took a straw poll to determine if they would be in favor of allowing alcohol in the town square during this time of emergency. All were in favor of that. In addition, the entire board would all support waiving rental fees for the use of the town square.

Update on culvert damage on Spruce Street (Mary Brown)

Mary Brown gave an update on some damage to a culvert on Spruce Street. In recent years, there have been several releases of water from the water storage tank located above the roadway. The excessive water damaged the culvert. Prior to this, there had been no issues with the roadway and culvert. Neighbors in the area have brought in several loads of gravel to help improve the roadway after the damage. The culvert appears to be approximately 5 inches.

Tara suggested that Mary, Trustee Mueller and Jon Ashton walk the road to survey the damage.

Decision on 4th of July Event (Tara/Ken)

Ken Lenarcic stated that the current regulations still require no more than 10 people for a public gathering. Yahnke stated that she did not see how the town could safely have a celebration this year.

Trustee Mueller made a motion to cancel the 4th of July celebration as a town sponsored event. Trustee Yahnke 2nd the motion, which passed unanimously.

Roads/Bridges Request for Proposal (RFP) for review (Allan) Allan is gathering hourly rates for heavy equipment operators.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

JVFD The annual wildland refresher course was held on-line this year. This normally takes place in Jamestown.

Elysian Park/Town Square

The Town Square was aerated and re-seeded. There is a broken fence at Elysian Park that needs to be repaired. Michael said he will meet with Vic to discuss the requirements of the Covenant Agreement the town has with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

Town Hall

Heather weeded the planter in front of the town hall. It looks great!

Gardens

Joe reported that Matty Graziano has finished a lot of work around the gardens. There is a new community bed in front of the fence that will be seeded and irrigated soon.

Lefthand Watershed Center

Jamestown Recycling Committee

Monthly recycling pickups will resume in June on the 2nd Saturday.

ADJOURN

Trustee Yahnke moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Loving 2nd the motion, which passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kristi Rutledge, Town Clerk

Approved, ordi Tara Schoedinger, Mayor

*The 6/1/20 Board Meeting was recorded in its entirety. Audio recordings are accessible by the public and are officially kept in the Town Office. They may also be kept on the Town Web site.