RESOLUTION 04-05, SERIES 2017

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY GARDENS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the community identified a community garden as one of the identified projects in the 2015 Jamestown Area Long-Term Recovery Plan; and

WHEREAS, members of the Vibrant Community Assets Committee, also known as Community Planning Group 6, and other interested residents have expressed a desire to continue on and implement the goal of a community garden; and

WHEREAS, the Jamestown Town Board of Trustees wishes to support the formulation of a Community Gardens Committee by appointing volunteers and approving a structure for the committee and management of maintenance funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BORAD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN, COLORADO:

<u>Section 1. Adoption</u>: The Town Board hereby approves and endorses a Community Gardens Committee in accordance with the requirements outlined in this resolution.

Section 2. Structure of the Committee:

- The Committee shall be made up of unpaid volunteer residents of Jamestown.
- 2. The Committee may raise money and collect reasonable fees from subscribers for the maintenance and operation of the community garden area. No fees will go to the Town of Jamestown for use of the property. All monies raised for the community garden must be used for maintenance and operations, including utility payments associated with the gardens.
- 3. The Committee and garden participants will pay for the cost of water used for the gardens according to the rate and payment schedule established by the Jamestown Water Committee.
- 4. Members of the Committee will be determined by April or May of each year and serve one year. Consecutive terms may be served.
- 5. A Committee Chair will be selected yearly and will be responsible for:
 - Ensuring rules are known by the garden participants.
 - Coordinating and tracking garden participants both for the current season and for the following season. The allocation of garden space will be on a first come, first serve basis.
 - c. Ensuring that garden participants sign a Release of Liability and Indemnification Agreement so that participants recognize levels of risk and assume all risks associated with volunteer activities in regard to involvement with the community garden. It is recognized that neither governmental immunity nor Town liability/property insurance provisions extend to Committee activities.
- 6. A Treasurer shall be selected yearly at the beginning of the use of the garden each spring and will:
 - Collect the rental fees from garden participants.

- b. Coordinate with the Town Clerk in regard to the management of the Town account for the community gardens maintenance and operations.
- c. Ensure that the water bill is paid for the community garden area.
- d. Manage maintenance and operations funds for the community gardens.
- The Committee will exclusively use the fenced vegetable garden area, garden shed (if developed) and greenhouse (if developed); all other areas around the property are open to the public.
- 8. The Committee and garden participants will assume maintenance of the community vegetable garden area in a reasonably safe, compliant configuration.
- 9. The Committee and garden participants agree not to store any harmful or dangerous materials or substances on the site.
- The Committee and garden participants are responsible for compliance with applicable State and County regulations and Town Ordinances.
- 11. The Committee will respect and honor all of the deed restrictions associated with the Town open space. This includes getting prior approval from the Town for any proposed structures.
- 12. The Committee shall report to the Town Board of Trustees and provide the Board periodic updates of activities in the form of written and oral reports at scheduled Town Board meetings.
- 13. If the gardens become idle, the Committee will return the properties to conditions found prior to the establishment of the garden.

<u>Section 3. Committee Goals</u>: The Committee shall assist in the construction and maintenance of the community gardens area located on the Town open space property addressed as 145 / 153 Main Street.

Section 4. Committee Members 2017: The Committee, for the year 2017, will consist of:

- 1. Jan Reed Chair
- 2. Aaron Rutledge Treasurer

<u>Section 5. Dissolution</u>: The Committee may be dissolved by the Board upon determining that the committee is no longer needed.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND ADOPTED THIS 3 DAY OF April, 2017

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN, COLORADO

Tara Schoedinger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristi Rutledge, Town Clerk