

Minutes
Special Town Board Meeting
Town of Paonia, Colorado
June 03, 2022
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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Mayor Bachran called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Bachran
Trustee Smith
Trustee Knutson
Trustee Valentine
Trustee Weber
Trustee Markle

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Trustee Weber, Seconded by Trustee Smith to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Trustee Smith, Seconded by Trustee Markle to add the flags and banner policy to a meeting in June. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

Lincoln Fox donated sculptures to the town that are displayed in the community room, valued at \$50,000.

Unfinished Business

1. Policy & Procedures regarding Police Officers at a meeting and Expelling a Person from Meeting

Motion made by Trustee Weber, Seconded by Trustee Markle, that expelling a citizen from a meeting requires a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of the trustees.

Discussion ensues about Free Speech and fundamental right to address your government about grievances and whether they are absolute.

Motion failed with Trustees Knutson, Trustee Markle, Trustee Valentine voting nay.

Motion made by Trustee Smith, Seconded by Trustee Markle, to not have an officer in the room during the meeting but to have one in the building on meeting nights.

Motion to amend by Trustee Weber, Seconded by Trustee Markle, having a police officer in a public meeting requires approval of the mayor and a Trustee.

Motion to amend carried with Trustee Knutson, Trustee Valentine voting nay.

Main Motion carries with Trustee Knutson voting nay.

2. Strategic Planning Session Agenda:

Discussion about whether someone anonymously paying for catering for the meeting is inappropriate and lacks transparency.

Discussion about advertising Strategic Planning meeting to get a larger representation of the community to attend.

Motion made by Trustee Markle, Seconded by Trustee Smith, to create a policy about planning town sponsored events.

Motion to amend main motion made by Trustee Markle, Seconded by Trustee Weber, to discuss a policy for planning town sponsored events at the next meeting.

Motion to amend passes unanimously.

Main motion carries unanimously

Motion made by Trustee Smith that the Board Retreat and Strategic Planning Session be cancelled. Motion dies for lack of second.

Trustee Smith makes a motion, Seconded by Trustee Weber, to move the Strategic Planning Session from the Blue Sage to Town Hall so it can be recorded.

Motion carries

Aye: Trustee Smith, Trustee Weber, Trustee Markle

Nay: Trustee Knutson, Trustee Valentine

Trustee Smith makes a motion, seconded by Trustee Markle, to add an agenda item to the next meeting to discuss the preliminary agenda for the Strategic Planning Session

Trustee Smith discusses wanting more planning based off the Comprehensive Plan made for the town and using it to lead into town specific goals, housing, water and growth.

Trustee Markle makes a motion to leave the agenda to the facilitator, Dana Hlavac

Motion dies for lack of second

Trustee Weber made a motion, Seconded by Trustee Smith, that the Strategic Planning Session agenda be based off the Comprehensive Plan.

(Trustee Knutson Leaves Zoom)

Main Motion:

Aye: Trustee Smith, Trustee Valentine, Trustee Weber

Nay: Trustee Markle

Motion carries

3. Mayoral Planning Commission Trustee Appointment:

(Trustee Knutson returns)

Trustee Knutson volunteers for the appointment

Mayor appoints Trustee Knutson to the Planning Commission

4. Consideration of Operator in Responsible Charge (ORC) Proposal:

Town Administrator Ferguson provided a summary of the RFP process, including some confusing language that has been rectified and invited the Board to ask any questions outside of the written report

Trustee Smith states on record that her being there did not imply approval of the process and in fact she had many questions. Administrator Ferguson clarified that it was simply a record of who was in attendance. Trustees were disappointed that they had two different sets of documents instead of similar formats for each to compare.

Trustee Knutson made a motion, Seconded by Trustee Weber, that Mr. Archuleta provide a detailed RFP in the same required format for the board to use.

Public Comment:

S. Watson

W. Brunner

C. Patterson

Trustee Smith Rescinds the motion? (Trustee Knutson made the motion)

Trustee Smith makes a motion, seconded by Trustee Weber, that they draft a new RFP which will be worked on by Trustee Smith and Administrator Ferguson for readvertisement for an on-site ORC

Public Comment:

S. Watson

C. Patterson

Trustee Markle made a motion, Seconded by Trustee Weber, to amend the main motion to include Scott Thomas.

Motion passes unanimously

Main Motion

Aye: Trustee Smith, Trustee Valentine, Trustee Weber and Trustee Knutson

Nay: Trustee Markle

New Business

1. Acceptance of Settlement and Release Regarding 20-cv-01389-LTB-GPG - Eric Pace

Trustee Smith made a motion, Seconded by Trustee Valentine, to accept the settlement in the Pace Case

Public Comment:

W. Brunner

(Trustee Knutson leaves the Zoom Meeting)

Motion passes unanimously

Committee Reports

AWC meeting summary

Tree Board Summary

New Tree Board Logo in Packet

Tree Dying rate vs sidewalk Permit process for Tree Work

Public Comment:

S. Watson

Adjournment


Amanda Mojarro, Deputy Town Clerk




Mary Bachran, Mayor