



RECORD OF MINUTES

BOT Meeting Thursday JUNE 14 TH 2018 7:00 PM

Palmer Lake Town Hall- 28 Valley Crescent

Board of Trustees Present

Mayor Cressman

Trustee Schuler -Mayor Pro Tem

Trustee Banta

Trustee Faust

Trustee Davis

Trustee Mutu

Absent Trustee Havenar

Staff

Town Administrator Cathy Green

Town Attorney Maureen Juran

Town Clerk Verla Bruner

Town Finance Officer Valerie Remington

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor John Cressman called meeting to order at 7:07

Roll call -Trustee Havenar Absent

Vote to approve agenda as amended: Trustee Faust made first motion, Trustee Davis seconded motion, all state Aye-motioned; approved

Vote to approve minutes of May 24, 2018: Trustee Mutu made first motion, Trustee Faust seconded, all state Aye-motion; approved.

Unscheduled Public Comments

Resident Jeff Hulsman came to podium on behalf of Awake the Lake; discussed bid from SEMA for the Pedestrian bridge, he states we have about 160K shortfall.

Mayor Cressman adds that the Town of Palmer Lake owns some property that we might need to look at selling to close the gap in the shortfall.

Resident Jeff Hulsmann agrees that selling the town property would be a smart move to complete the pedestrian bridge project.

Trustee Banta asks a few questions about the use of containers in the building of the pedestrian bridge.

Resident Broomfield asks about proceeds from sale of house on Vale street and where the proceeds went from the sale.

Resident Reed Weeks believes that the pedestrian bridge is a good idea and happy with the plans.

Resident Katrina Lusk asked if the council knew what the property that they were considering selling would be used for, Mayor Cressman states that it is zoned light industrial.

Financials

Finance Officer Valerie Remington discusses the new format for ease of reading, explains cash position report.

She explains that there will be three funds going forward, Enterprise fund, General fund and Conservation trust fund.

Discusses our need for three new vehicles for three departments, Police, Roads and Water department.

Explains the loan amount, yearly payments, and interest.

Valerie asks for approval and a vote to be called; deciding on what terms for lease; 5-year, 10- year or 15-year amortization.

Town Attorney Maureen speaks up and explains the difference between accepting debt and this lease purchase.

Trustee Schuler asked Chief Vanderpool how long he would expect to use a vehicle.

Trustee Schuler asks Town Administrator about age of snow plows.

Trustee Davis made first motion to direct Finance Officer; Valerie Remington to proceed with financing for the purchase of new Town Vehicles, Trustee Schuler seconded motion -all state Aye, motion **passed**.

Special Guest the Executive Director of Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments; Andy Gunning spoke about the services, what the council does and how Palmer Lake can help by having a member sit on the advisory board.

Mayor Cressman thanked Mr. Gunning for his update and encouraged council members to attend and volunteer for the advisory committee.

Trustee Faust volunteered for the advisory committee

Ordinances

Ordinance NO. 11 of 2018 repealing and readopting chapter 14.04 of the Palmer Lake Municipal code concerning building codes.

Trustee Davis made first motion, Trustee Mutu seconded motion all Aye. motioned **passed**.

Ordinance NO.12 of 2018-Removed from agenda.

Discussion

Formal vote on whether the Town of Palmer Lake would have annual July 4th fireworks.

- Cancelling the 2018 fireworks display due to Stage Two Fire Ban.

Member of the audience asks Mayor Cressman to clarify that the reason for the cancellation is due to the Stage two fire ban and not for financial reasons.

Fireworks committee member states that the money from this year's fireworks will roll-over to next year.

Motion made by Trustee Mutu to cancel the 2018 Palmer Lake fireworks display and seconded by;

Trustee Davis- All state aye- motion **passed**.

- Code Enforcement -Town Administrator Cathy Green updates council on ongoing code enforcement and progress. Chief Vanderpool updates on progress on Shady Lane, School bus removal, RV being removed from Greeley St.

Audience member asks about lighting in M-1 district.

Several audience members spoke up and had concerns about fireworks in the Glen.

Mr. Lusk states he is concerned that the lights in the commercial zone is taking away from the "Dark sky" ordinance.

Town Administrator Cathy Green discusses the Lighting Ordinance and that it could possibly need to be re-written with more stringent wording.

Multiple discussions take place regarding lighting Ordinance.

- Town Attorney Maureen Juran opens discussion regarding the “Barking Dog” Ordinance.

Number of Trustees express concern that, as written the ordinance is not strict enough, and how code enforcement of the Ordinance would look.

Town Attorney Juran will adjust the ordinance and bring it to the July town Council meeting.

- Code of Conduct for Elected Officials, Town council all liked the handbook with one minor adjustment, Town Clerk Verla Bruner is directed to change; Mayor appoints Mayor Pro Tem to be removed.

Will bring to vote at the July Town Council meeting.

Committee Report

Trustee Mutu discussed Parks and Recreation events such as ribbon cutting for new Dock

Town Administrator

Cathy Green discussed new monitoring well recently being drilled

Gives number on how much water we have released into the Lake, this year it is, 11-acre feet as opposed to last year’s 16-acre feet.

Announces the Angel armor event next week.

Discuss the parking lot at trailhead in a phased approach.

Mayor Cressman discusses closing trailhead due to possible contamination of water in our reservoir due to dogs swimming in reservoir. Suggests getting a bid on securing the area.

Mr. Weston with the Palmer Lake Fire department briefly discussed a new grant but was interrupted by alarm and had to leave.

Cathy Green announces that 4 of our Palmer Lake Fireman are helping with the fire in Durango.

Mayor Cressman announces the upcoming meeting with Tri Lakes Fire Department regarding Palmer Lake Fire Department being absorbed into Tri Lakes FD.

Member of the audience expresses concern with the possibility of the Fire department moving to Tri-Lakes and why she is against it.

Town Attorney Report- Nothing to report

Town Clerk request a special meeting be held on June 28th due to a Liquor license application

Mayor Cressman declares the meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm

John Cressman Mayor_____

Town Clerk Verla Bruner_____

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