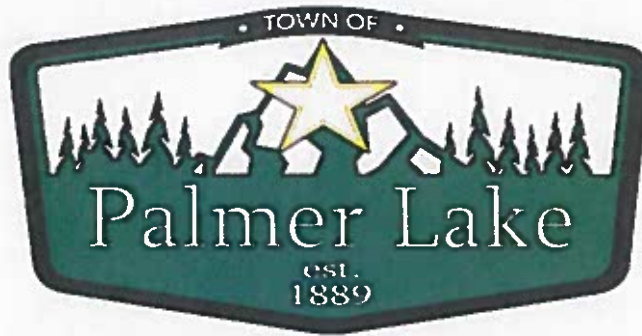




RECORD OF MINUTES

Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, April 8, 2021, at 6 PM

PALMER LAKE TOWN HALL, 28 VALLEY CRESCENT, PALMER LAKE, COLORADO

1. Call to Order. Mayor Bass called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Mayor offered a few guidelines for the Board to follow when speaking.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll call

Present	Mayor Bill Bass
Present	Mayor Pro Tem Sam Padgett
Excused	Trustee Nicole Currier
Present	Trustee Darin Dawson
Present	Trustee Jessica Farr
Present	Trustee Glant Havenar
Present	Trustee Karen Stuth

4. Presentation – Fountain Creek Watershed District. Mayor Bass introduced Mr. Bill Banks, Executive Director for the district. Mr. Banks provided an overview of the Fountain Creek Watershed, a review of downstream neighbors, the vision of the district, and a review of projects. He mentioned there is a citizen vacancy to serve on the Board and also stated that citizens can expect a ballot initiative for mitigation in 2022.

5. Consent Agenda. MOTION (Havenar, Stuth) to approve consent agenda including Minutes from the March 25, 2021 meeting. Roll call vote – aye (6); nay (0). Motion PASSED.

6. Staff/Department Reports, if any. No questions were asked of Department Supervisors. Attorney Krob stated he had no update on the living word property. Collins provided an update on water taps, on the library project, and mentioned that applications are being accepted through 4/19 for a full-time water tech position and a seasonal parks maintenance position. Collins congratulated Chief McCarthy on completed certification. Trustee Stuth will be highlighting town businesses to add to the community portion of the town website.

7. Public Comment. Jeannine Engel expressed concern about the speed of drivers along Hwy 105 and requested that options be checked into to slow down or for PD to add sign to remind drivers of speed. Ned Blanchard explained the condition of the road County Line north to Spruce Mountain and requested that both lanes be addressed for repair and offered any assistance. Mayor Bass stated that a written concern was provided about traffic and parking at the school. Staff will forward a copy to the Board members and address it with PD.

8. PUBLIC HEARING and Ordinance 4-2021 to Adopt El Paso County Road Standards. Mayor Bass opened the Public Hearing. Kevin Dreyer asked if this created different requirements on the town and it was responded that adopting El Paso standards actually better align the code. It was noted that staff spent a few weeks reviewing the standards. Mayor Bass closed the hearing. MOTION (Havenar, Stuth) to approve Ordinance 4-2021 to adopt the El Paso County Road Standards. Roll call vote – aye (6); nay (0). Motion PASSED.

9. Set Hearing to Adopt IFC 2015 Fire Code. MOTION (Stuth, Havenar) to set the hearing as presented for May 13, 2021. Roll call vote – aye (6); nay (0). Motion PASSED.

10. Ordinance 5-2021 for First Reading to Adopt Plumbing Code and Electrical Code by Reference. Attorney Krob provided the background of adopting this code as Pikes Peak Regional Building Department has adopted the amended code by the State for inspections. MOTION (Havenar, Padgett) pass Ordinance 5-2021 for the final reading and public hearing at the April 22 meeting. Roll call vote – aye (6); nay (0). Motion PASSED.

11. Resolution 24-2021 to Award and Authorize Agreement for Town Hall Restoration. Dave Frisch, GMS Engineering, provided the background of the bid process for the town hall roof project. The two bids received both had irregularities and planned funding will not be sufficient. The recommendation was to reject both bids, re-package the bid, and re-post for bids. MOTION (Havenar, Farr) to reject Resolution 24-2021 and all bids received. Roll call vote – aye (6); nay (0). Motion PASSED.

12. Discussion Relating to Lake Level/Activity. Dave Frisch provided background to how the lake is filled including restrictions. Jeff Hulsman spoke from a business perspective, stating it would be devastation to the town businesses if the Board chose to close all water/lake activity. Mark Schuler stated his philosophical view not to legislate protection that is individual choice – i.e., stepping in muck or getting a fishhook in the foot. Trustee Stuth inquired about tax revenue collected in past years. Trustee Farr suggested hearing again from the Parks Commission members. Discussion took place about separation of areas to limit activity. Dee Banta inquired about the restroom opening. Staff will contact El Paso County about opening the restroom. This item, along with input to amending the noise ordinance and the suggested parking on town roads, will be reviewed at the 4/22 workshop.

13. Direction and Direction Relating to Residential Wells. Dave Frisch reviewed the evaluation provided to the Board, including data of 151 wells – residential wells allowed to drill into the Dawson. The groundwater rights were explained as well as a suggested metering process. Discussion took place about requirements to report annual use either to the state and/or to the town. Dave pointed out that including the groundwater water supply supplementing the surface water supply, a reasonable number of water taps to consider is up to 1,145. Matt Stephens asked about the depletion of the aquifer and the evaluation noting that size of lots not be prejudice to smaller lots. Dave responded that water levels are decreasing. Discussion took place about the PER being completed and few options for the Board to consider – either shut doors to adding development and water taps, develop and expand the supply system which will require treatment, and/or consider regional water system distribution. Mark Schuler asked who would pay for pumps if a regional system would be considered as the town is 1000 ft higher

in elevation. Dave Frisch stated that not all details are worked out and allocation would be based on overall use. He also provided an update of the sanitation process.

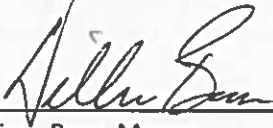
14. Board Reports. Trustee Havenar thanked Mayor Bass for his comments at the start of the meeting, however, stated being uncomfortable with Trustee Padgett. Mayor Bass called for order, mentioned meetings he attending and commended Trustee Havenar for her involvement in PPACG. Trustee Havenar also thanked Attorney Krob for the training provided at the Board of Adjustment meeting. Mayor Bass confirmed the dates with Board members for the rescheduled training with Attorney Sam Light, with CIRSA, for Monday, 4/12 and a Board retreat on Saturday, 4/17.

15. Next Meeting (April 22) and Future Items. The Board will plan a workshop prior to the next meeting at 5p to review input to amending the noise ordinance, parking on town roads, and the lake activity.

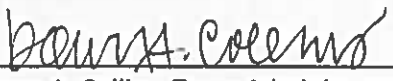
16. Convene to Executive Session. MOTION (Stuth, Farr) to convene to executive session at 7:47 PM. Roll call vote – aye (6); nay (0). Motion PASSED.

17. Reconvene to Open Session. MOTION (Havenar, Farr) to reconvene to open session. Motion PASSED.

18. Adjourn. MOTION (Havenar, Farr) to adjourn at 9 PM. Motion PASSED.



William Bass, Mayor



Dawn A. Collins, Town Administrator/Clerk

4/23/2021
Date