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MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD

**Town Board Room
807 Mountain Avenue
Town of Berthoud, Colorado
Tuesday, November 08, 2022, 6:30 p.m.**

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Mayor Pro-Tem Grace

Mayor Pro-Tem Grace called the meeting to order.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Pro-Tem Grace

Mayor Pro-Tem Grace led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL – Mayor Pro-Tem Grace

The following Board Members were present:

Mike Grace, Mayor Pro-Tem
Karl Ayers, Trustee
Tim Hardy, Trustee
May Soricelli, Trustee
Sean Murphy, Trustee
Jeff Butler, Trustee

The following Board Members were absent:

William Karspeck, Mayor

The following were also present:

Chris Kirk, Town Administrator
Christian Samora, Town Clerk
Erin Smith, Town Attorney
Jim Anderson, LCSO Sergeant
Michelle Adams, Deputy Town Clerk
Cindy Leach, Finance Director
Mike Foote, Oil and Gas Attorney

IV. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Sarah Lincoln and Butch Hause spoke regarding the Newell Farm Purchase.

V. SCHEDULED ITEMS and ESTIMATED TIMES FOR DISCUSSION

1. Consent Agenda

(Christian Samora)

Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine by the Town Board and will be enacted with a single vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is deemed necessary, that item should be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

- a)** November 8, 2022, Meeting Agenda
- b)** October 25, 2022, Meeting Minutes
- c)** Town Hall EV Charger Project Bid Award
- d)** September 2022 Financial Information

Trustee Hardy moved to combine and approve the items on the Consent Agenda, as listed on the Meeting Agenda. Trustee Butler seconded the motion. In a 6-0 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. Park Hours – Introduction (Jim Anderson)

Ordinance 1311 – Amending the Berthoud Municipal Code regarding the hours of Public Parks, Open Space, Recreational Areas and permitting to Grant exclusive use thereof

Sergeant Anderson gave an introduction and provided background information.

The Board gave direction to bring the ordinance back for consideration at the November 22, 2022 Town Board Meeting.

3. Family and Medical Leave Insurance Opt-Out (Cindy Leach)

Resolution 2022-12 – Approving opt out from participation in the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program

Mayor Pro-Tem Grace allowed testimony to be given.

There were not any members in the audience who wished to provide testimony.

The testimony remained open, and the Resolution will return for consideration on November 22, 2022.

4. Oil and Gas Regulations (Mike Foote)

Mike Foote and Sabrina Trask provided a short presentation and answered questions posed by the Board.

Leslie Tassie of Berthoud spoke an encouraged public participation.

Individually, the Board will send emails to Foote, Smith, and Kirk in an effort to identify specific issues that need to be addressed in any new oil and gas regulations.

5. 2023 Annual Budget Overview (Chris Kirk)

Kirk provided a comprehensive presentation of the 2023 Annual Budget.

Trustee Murphy moved to extend the meeting to 10:00 PM. Trustee Soricelli seconded the motion. In a 6-0 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED.

VI. ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

1. Town Board – Tim Hardy, May Soricelli, Mike Grace, Sean Murphy, Karl Ayers, and Jeff Butler.

Trustee Ayers Reported:

The PORT committee discussed pickleball and the Jaskowski property. There was discussion with regard to having disc golf on the property.

Ayers asked about the speed limit on Highway 56. Kirk clarified that CDOT controls the speed limit, and the Town would need to request a change.

Ayres contacted other municipalities with regard to how they designate their intermediary trail systems.

Trustee Murphy Reported:

Murphy suggested having an employee highlight on social media. Kirk stated that staff is already working on doing so.

Murphy stated that it is nice to see the Fickel Park restroom in place

Murthy participated in the energy efficiency cohort, which wrapped up its last meeting. Murphy state he will be sharing more in the future.

Trustee Hardy Reported:

Hardy thanked Kirk for the Board Updates.

Historic Preservation is focusing on walking tours.

Berthoud Mainstreet is planning for Snow Fest and the parade, which has ten entries so far.

Mayor Pro-Tem Grace Reported:

The Youth Advisory Commission will be making a presentation regarding Scorch Fest at a future meeting.

2. Staff – Town Administrator, Attorney

Grace referenced an email regarding a noise complaint. Kirk stated that it is being addressed, although the complaint is not within Town limits.

Leach and Elish are working on a business support program.

VII. ADJOURN The meeting adjourned at 9:53 PM.

Town Clerk or Deputy Town Clerk

Mike Grace, Mayor Pro-Tem

