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MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD

**Town Board Room
807 Mountain Avenue
Town of Berthoud, Colorado
Tuesday, June 22, 2021 6:30 p.m.**

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Mayor William Karspeck

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Karspeck.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor William Karspeck

Mayor Karspeck led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL – Mayor William Karspeck

The following Board Members were present:

William Karspeck, Mayor
Maureen Dower, Mayor Pro-Tem
Jeff Hindman, Trustee
Lonnie Stevens, Trustee
Mike Grace, Trustee
May Soricelli, Trustee
Tim Hardy, Trustee

The following were also present:

Chris Kirk, Town Administrator
Christian Samora, Town Clerk
Erin Smith, Town Attorney

IV. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Joshua Van Schoik spoke regarding safety in construction areas that are accessible to the public.

Doug Carlander, Roger Tuel, Nancy Tuel and Julianne Lee spoke regarding the maintenance of Town Property and vegetation adjacent to sidewalks.

Administrator Kirk will follow up on the concerns that were shared.

V. SCHEDULED ITEMS and ESTIMATED TIMES FOR DISCUSSION

1. Consent Agenda

(Christian Samora) (5 Min)

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)** June 22, 2021 Meeting Agenda
- b)** June 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- c)** Xcel Energy Easement Agreement for Berthoud Reservoir

Trustee Hardy moved to combine and approve the items on the Consent Agenda. Trustee Grace seconded the motion. In a 7-0 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED.

2. **Historic Preservation Advisory Committee Appointment** (Interview Committee)(10 Min)

The Interview Committee provided an introduction and made a recommendation to appoint Todd Duval to the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee.

Trustee Grace moved to appoint Todd Duval to the Historic Preservation Advisory Committee for a term of 2 years. Trustee Hardy seconded the motion. In a 7-0 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED.

3. **Ursa Major Noise Permit** (Curt Freese) (30 Min)

Freese gave an introduction and provided background information. The requesting party followed up with an additional presentation.

Trustee Hindman moved to grant the permit allowed under Section 17-5-2 A to ursa Major located at 19750 County Rd 7, Berthoud, with the following findings and conditions:

Findings:

- A similar use which also resulted in the testing of engines and rockets has existed on the property since the 1980s'
- The use is compliant under the State Noise requirements of CRS 25-12-103
- The use will allow for the expansion and additional employment and investment of a high-tech industry which is beneficial to the Town.
- The permit application is consistent with the Berthoud Municipal Code.
- The conditions proposed (see below), will serve to notify surrounding residents, and mitigate noise issues arising from this use and thus satisfy the intent of the Berthoud Noise ordinance

Conditions:

- Testing no more than 20 total minutes a day, with no test being longer than 300 seconds in duration.
- Limiting hours of testing from 8 am to 6:00 pm Monday through Saturday only.
- Implementing a notification system for any neighbors who request it, which shall consist of a text message or other electronic notification 5-15 minutes before any test.
- The construction of additional berms.
- The facility continues to follow the State Noise requirements of CRS 25-12-103

Trustee Stevens seconded the motion. In a 7-0 roll call vote, THE MOTION CARRIED.

4. **ELECTED OFFICIAL REPORTS** (20 Min)

1. Town Board – Tim Hardy, Jeff Hindman, May Soricelli, Lonnie Stevens, Mike Grace
Mayor Pro-Tem Maureen Dower

Trustee Hindman reported that he submitted a response to a letter to the editor, but it was not printed. He indicated that the letter printed stated that the Town went \$50m into debt and that Town Hall generates \$20k a month in revenue from Town Hall. Kirk stated that the Rec Center has certificates of participation that are about \$24m. Kirk indicated that the declaration that 50m was issued is not correct. He indicated that the net rent revenue for Town Hall is about \$3,400 a month.

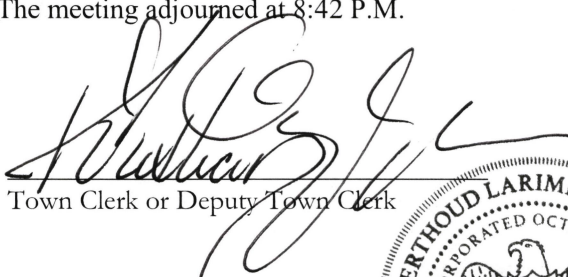
Hindman stated that he was against the purchase of Town Hall because utility funds were used for the purchase and was done so by resolution to avoid a challenge. Hindman stated that he was not yet on the Board when he was opposed to the purchase. Hindman continued to state that the

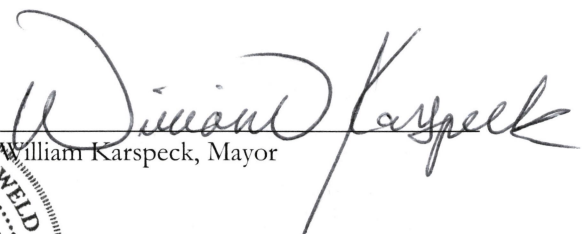
the maximum capacity is at 4.2 million gallons a day. Right now, there is only about 3.6 million capacity. Kirk stated that water conservation is very important. He stated that he hopes to bring forward code changes and education to the Board to help with conservation.

No report from Attorney Smith.

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 P.M.


Town Clerk or Deputy Town Clerk


William Karspeck, Mayor



Town has never been in better fiscal shape and the new sales tax will be nearly double of projected. Trustee Grace stated that COVID is at 1% positivity rate. It has been in the single digits for quite some time.

Trustee Soricelli stated that she understands what it's like to be slandered and it's not a wonderful feeling. She stated that in a leadership role it can come with the territory.

Soricelli stated that a torn-up flag in the cemetery was replaced. The flag at the ball parks needs to be replaced as well and suggested replacing flags more often. She stated that her son noted the condition of the hockey rink at Pioneer Park.

Trustee Stevens stated that he is trying to do a long weekend in Texas at the end of each month. He requested that it be kept in mind when scheduling work sessions.

Stevens asked if there was a way to require a 7-foot tree lawn wherever a tree lawn is required. He stated that he was concerned that 6 feet may not be able to accommodate the species of trees being planted. Kirk stated that it would require a change in code and noted that it seems there is consensus to move forward with a change of that nature.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dower reported that the Berthoud Youth Advisory Commission had a trash pick-up event this past Saturday. They made more updated rules for the dodgeball tournament at the July 3 festivities. The game registration will be at 5PM on the 3rd. Anyone who wants to help gather balls will be appreciated.

Dower thanked staff for relocating the one-way sign at Berthoud Reservoir. Dower noted that the trail was not muddy, and it is not soft, even after a heavy rain.

Dower stated that she wanted to make a correction regarding the letter to the editor. The total repayment amount for the recreation center is \$36M. Dower thanked the citizens for shopping at home and supporting the community with sales tax during the pandemic.

Trustee Hardy stated that the new soccer fields at the recreation center look great.

2. Mayor – William Karspeck

Karspeck stated that he was not in agreement with the COPs for the rec center, but felt it was time to move on.

Karspeck asked about the Skate Park Site. Kirk stated that it was initially intended to solicit both the Skate Park and Old Town Hall at the same time. He stated that civic use was considered at the skate park site, but no decisions have been made. He stated that until that decision is made, the picture will be unclear for the developer.

Kirk state that the discussion will likely be in July or the beginning of August in a study session format.

Karspeck stated that he attended the coffee with a cop and that next week is the first in-person MPO Meeting at Town Hall on July 1 in the Board Room.

Kirk reported that the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Project has started construction. The work should move quickly and will likely be finished before fall.

Kirk stated that Tuesday and Thursday night for a retreat would be the best approach. Kirk will be sending additional information to the Board.

Kirk stated that there is an issue with the static mixer at the water treatment plant. He stated that