



GRAND LAKE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP AND MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 25, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Town Hall Board Room – 1026 Park Avenue

*The Town of Grand Lake upholds the Six Pillars of Character:
Citizenship, Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness and Caring*

A. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Kudron at 6:01 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kudron led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Announcements

Mayor Kudron announced: Please turn off all cell phones during the meeting.

D. Roll Call

Mayor Kudron, Trustees Bishop, Causseaux, and Strachan, Town Clerk Carrell, Town Manager Crone, and Town Attorney Krob were present.

Trustee Strachan made a motion to excuse Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist, Trustee Arntson, and Trustee Sobon from the workshop and evening meeting. Trustee Bishop seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

E. Conflicts of Interest

None.

F. Manager's Report

Wildlife Issues

We do have bears out already and we've seen a couple of moose in Town. Keep pets and yourselves away from deer and moose. Keep your trash secured.

Upcoming Events

April is traditionally our slowest month of the year, but we still have events going on. This Saturday, March 30, the GLFPD will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt. They will also host wildland fire awareness courses on April 5 and 6. Rocky Mountain Folk School is continuing to offer a selection of classes, and the library has a full slate of activities. Please visit their websites for more info.

Snow Plowing

It has warmed up too much for us to keep a layer of snow on the roads. It looks like spring is here. We are still going to get some significant snowfalls, so make sure to stay safe when driving and look out for pedestrians and wildlife.

Ice Rinks

We have had to stop Town maintenance of our ice rinks. Our days have just been too warm and there is no way to keep a safe surface on the rinks. The ice is still close to 18 inches thick; we have just had problems with the surface melt. We have also closed down the warming hut and locked up the ice skates.

Snowmobile Trail

Despite the lack of snow on the Town streets, the Grand Lake Trail Groomers are still maintaining all of their trails for snowmobiling. The trails are in pretty good condition, but that might change quickly. Get out and enjoy some riding while you still can.

Audit

Dazzio and Associates are in the office conducting the Town's annual financial audit. The Town Treasurer and Town Manager will be spending a lot of time this week helping with the audit. If you need to reach either Heike or John, please leave a message.

Short Staff

This Friday is the last day for Rita Snook, the Town’s bookkeeper. She is retiring and will be sorely missed. We have just posted her position. Caitrin is still out until the beginning of April. The staff is pitching in to cover for her during her absence. Matt Reed-Tolonen is starting his FAML I leave to spend some time with Cason. Although he will be on leave, Matt will be checking in often and will still help manage the public works staff. With all of the personnel issues, if you call the Town Hall and are put into the phone tree, please leave a message. We will get back in touch with you.

Election

Our municipal election is April 2. Ballots were mailed two weeks ago. If you have not received your ballot, please call our Town Clerk to see if we can get you a new ballot. You can either return your ballot by mail or drop it off at Town Hall. You cannot drop it in the County ballot drop box. It will be locked.

Proctor Statue

We have relocated the Proctor statue near the Kauffman House to an adjacent rock where pedestrians can actually see the front of the sculpture and can read the plaque without having to walk out on the steep, slippery grass. He still looks out over the lake, but the new location will really enhance the enjoyment of his story. It also really opens up the view of the lake when walking down Pitkin Avenue.

Town Manager

I will not be renewing my contract after May 1 of this year. I have been offered the position of Keystone Town Manager and have accepted. It has been a wonderful five years in Grand Lake, and we have accomplished a lot of good things. It really is with a heavy heart that I will be leaving. However, I cannot pass up this opportunity to take a job where I can spend time with my wife (and Hambone) every day. I will really miss this Town and our wonderful staff. We are already working with NWCCOG to find a replacement. With our very talented staff, I am sure that the transition will go smoothly.

Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be held in two weeks. It is scheduled for April 8, 2024.

G. Public Comments (Limited to 3 Minutes)

Donna Ready, 1133 Grand Avenue- Requests the Town to keep the remainder of the Christmas lights up, as they look beautiful. Ms. Ready expressed her concern, how there is no signage to the lake and to the park, if Public Works can add three-foot-tall white letters on the ground, to make it more obvious, that would be appreciated.

H. Consideration to Approve Meeting Minutes

4. February 26, 2024

Trustee Bishop made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for February 26, 2024. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Abstain

5. March 11, 2024

Trustee Bishop made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for March 11, 2024. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

I. Consideration to Approve Accounts Payable

6. March 25, 2024

Presented by Town Treasurer Wilson.

Trustee Causseaux made a motion to approve accounts payable for March 11, 2024. Trustee Strachan seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

J. Financial Review

1. 2023 Revenue Reports

Presented by Town Treasurer Wilson.

2. January 2024 Sale Tax Reports & February 2024 Financials

Presented by Town Treasurer Wilson.

K. Items of Discussion

1. Consideration of Resolution 22-2024, Honoring Rita Snock for Her Service

Presented by Town Manager Crone.

Mayor Kudron made a motion to approve Resolution 22-2024, honoring Rita Snock for her service. Trustee Strachan seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

2. PUBLIC HEARING (QUASI-JUDICIAL) Continued from January 22nd, 2024, Consideration to Adopt Resolution 21-2024; Considering a Variance to the Stream and Lake Setback Requirements for Property Located at 210 Rapids Lane, with Conditions

Presented by Town Community Developer White. Town Attorney, Scott Krob was present.

Natascha O’Flaherty appeared on behalf of her client, Max Ludwig.

Max Ludwig, 210 Rapids Lane, property owner, was in appearance.

Mayor Kudron opened for public hearing.

Donna Ready 217 North Inlet Drive- believes the Town should make it easy and let it be, as plenty of tourists and locals enjoy the deck during the summer.

Mayor Kudron closed the public hearing.

Trustee Causseaux made a motion to continue the public hearing for the variance to April 8, 2024. Trustee Bishop seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

3. Consideration to Approve the 2024 Liquor License Renewal Application for White Buffalo

Presented by Town Clerk Carrell.

Patrick Barnes, Manager of White Buffalo, was present via zoom for questions.

Trustee Strachan made a motion to approve the 2024 liquor license renewal application for the White Buffalo. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

4. Consideration of a Contract for Mag Chloride

Presented by Town Manager Crone.

Trustee Bishop made a motion to approve the contract with GMCO Corp. for mag chloride applications in 2024. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

L. Future Items for Consideration

- Rapids Variance
- Chamber of Commerce
- Strategic Plan
- Update to STR Code
- ADA Compliancy Contract
- Trading in John Deere 624 Loader
- Update to Purchasing Code
- Bench
- GCSO Contract

M. Mayor's Report

Today was one of the bigger information gatherings that this Board has dealt with, our Attorney and Staff wish we could have decided tonight. Mayor Kudron believes if the Board doesn't feel comfortable about a certain topic and if there's resources available to help us feel more confident in the decisions we are making, those resources should be explored.

Our town continues to change, and we continue to evolve to be the very best Grand Lake we can be. Town Staff's work continues to be noticed and they are working hard to bring our town to the next level while keeping it so special.

N. Adjourn Meeting

Trustee Strachan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion. Town Clerk Carrell called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bergquist	Absent
Trustee Arntson	Absent
Trustee Bishop	Aye
Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Sobon	Absent
Trustee Strachan	Aye

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:13 PM.

(Attest)

Alayna Carrell, Town Clerk

Stephan Kudron, Mayor