

# GRAND LAKE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP AND MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 22, 2025, 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

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room

# 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. Announcements

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon requested that all cell phones be turned off during the meeting.

#### 4. Roll Call

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon, Trustees Arntson, Causseaux, Miller, Mills, Town Manager Kudron, and Town Clerk Carrell were present.

Trustee Miller motioned to excuse Mayor Bergquist and Trustee Schoenherr's absence from the workshop and evening meeting. Trustee Arntson seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Miller	Aye
Trustee Mills	Aye
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon	Aye

## 5. Conflicts of Interest

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon disclosed he had a conflict of interest with Item 9B, "Sledtober" as he will be presenting on behalf of Grand Lake Trail Groomers.

# 6. Manager's Report

## A. September 22, 2025

## Colorado Grand Visit

More than 90 vintage race cars descended on Grand Lake for lunch on September 9<sup>th</sup> as the first stop on the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Colorado 1000-mile tour. IN addition to sharing their beautiful cars, stopping to eat and shop, the Colorado donated to

Rocky Mountain Repertory Theater in the amount of \$15000. An additional \$10,000 is committed for a scholarship to a local student enrolling in a Colorado college or vocational school.

# Space to Create Grand Lake Groundbreaking and updates

On September 13<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Trustees officially broke ground on Space to Create Grand Lake. Joining the Town were the Grand Lake Creative District, DOLA, Colorado Creative Industries and the Boettcher Foundation. Work began on the following Monday, and excavations continued through the week.

# Town Marquee Ribbon Cutting

The Town of Grand Lake Board of trustees cut the red ribbon and officially dedicated the Town's new Marquee. The stone and metal structure, in construction for several years celebrates the beauty, creativity and strength of Grand Lake, through the creative eyes of architect Tim Hodson and artist Grace Noel. More than \$30,000 in donations were received by the community to help complete the project. The signage is in final stages and should be installed in the next 30 to 45 days.

# Meeting with Philanthropy Colorado

On Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup>, members from philanthropic organizations came together for lunch and information stop in Grand Lake. At the lunch, the mayor attended Grand County Tourism, the Grand Lake Creative District and Space to Create Grand Lake were the topics of discussion. Lunch finished with a tour of the S2C jobsite and a review of the economic and social impacts of the East Troublesome fire through the lens of Chief St Germain and Chief White of Granby FD.

#### Fire Restrictions lifted

At the recent BOCC meeting, the County Commissioners lifted fire restrictions in the County effective September 19<sup>th</sup>. Because restrictions have been lifted, it doesn't mean we are out of fire danger. Please practice smart fire precautions. (2025 is Smokeys 81<sup>st</sup> birthday!)

#### Constitution Week Highlights

Constitution Weel concluded Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>. Many people were in town to participate in the activities offered by Constitution Week. Saturday was capped a parade, packed speaker and fireworks – a community favorite. The Constitution Week committee appreciates the support from the Town – both for this year's fireworks and facilities.

#### **Upcoming Event Highlights**

September 26, 2025: Senior Lunch & Learn – Community House

September 26, 2025: Shadowcliff Artist in Residence Performances – Community House

September 27, 2025: Gentlemen's Club Pub Crawl to benefit Taking Steps for Cancer

October 5, 2025: 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Taking Steps for Cancer 5k & Auction October 11, 2025: Sledtober to benefit the Grand Lake Trail Grooming October 14, 2025: Happenings at the House – Hosted by the GLAHS October 25, 2025: Ghosts and Gourds at Town Square Park

For all the great events happening in Grand Lake as well as Rocky Mountain Folk School classes, check out the October newsletter on the Town's website.

Next Board Meeting: October 13, 2025

#### 7. Public Comments (Limited to 3 Minutes)

Alexander Thompson, 508 Cairns. Mr. Thompson invited the Board and members of the public to Shadowcliff's event, "Artist Talks & Performances" on Friday, September 26 at 7:00 pm at the Grand Lake Community House. Engage with six nationally recognized artists as they share their creative processes, present their work, and discuss their experience in residence at Shadowcliff. This event is free and open to the public; RSVP is highly recommended.

Sean McAlindin, 424 E. Agate Avenue- Mr. McAlindin, the new editor of *Sky-Hi News*, took the opportunity to introduce himself to the Board and members of the community.

# 8. Consent Agenda

A. Accounts Payable- September 22, 2025

# B. Meeting Minutes- September 8, 2025

Trustee Arntson motioned to approve the consent agenda for September 22, 2025. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Miller Aye
Trustee Mills Aye
Trustee Causseaux Aye
Trustee Arnston Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon Aye

#### 9. Financial Review

- A. Financial Statements
- B. Sales Tax

Presented by Town Treasurer Kirkpatrick and Town Manager Kudron.

#### 10. Items of Discussion

A. Consideration to Accept the Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024

Presented by Town Treasurer Kirkpatrick and Town Manager Kudron.

Trustee Miller made a motion to accept the audited financial statements for fiscal year 2024. Trustee Causseaux seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Causseaux	Aye
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Miller</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	Aye
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	Aye

# B. Consideration of Resolution 42-2025, Setting Certain Fees for a Special Event Permit for the Grand Lake Trail Grooming Inc. Special Event, "Sledtober"

Presented by Town Manager Kudron on behalf of Event Manager Weekes.

Michael Sobon, President of the Grand Lake Trail Groomers presented on behalf of the organization.

Trustee Causseaux made a motion to approve Resolution 42-2025, setting certain fees for a new special event permit for the Grand Lake Trail Grooming Inc. special event, "Sledtober". Trustee Mills seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Miller	Aye
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	Aye
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	Abstain

# C. Consideration of Resolution 43-2025, Waiving Use Tax for the Space to Create Grand Lake Project at 1128 Park Ave

Presented by Town Manager Kudron.

Trustee Causseaux made a motion to approve Resolution 43-2025, waiving use tax for the Space to Create Grand Lake Project at 1128 Park Avenue. Trustee Arntson seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Miller	Aye
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Causseaux</b>	Aye
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	Aye

# D. Consideration of Resolution 44-2025, Approving the Purchase of a Kubota Sidewalk Maintenance Machine and Related Attachments

Presented by Public Works Director Reed-Tolonen.

Trustee Arntson made a motion to approve Resolution 44-2025, approving the purchase of a Kubota Sidewalk Maintenance Machine and related attachments. Trustee Mills seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Causseaux	Aye
Trustee Miller	Aye
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	Aye
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	Aye
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	Aye

# E. Consideration to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding for Mutual Cooperation in Obtaining Grant Funding with The Rotary Club of Grand Lake

Presented by Town Manager Kudron.

Greg Finch was present on behalf of the Grand Lake Rotary Club.

Trustee Causseaux made a motion to approve a memorandum of understanding for mutual cooperation in obtaining grant funding with the Rotary Club of Grand Lake. Trustee Mills seconded the motion, and Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote.

Trustee Causseaux	Aye
<b>Trustee Mills</b>	Aye
Trustee Miller	Aye
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	Aye
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon</b>	Aye

## 11. Future Items for Consideration

- Land Use Issues
- 2026 Budget Items

#### 12. Mayor's Report

Mayor Pro-Tem Sobon thanked the Board for letting him lead tonight's meeting. He expressed his gratitude for the events that have happened over the last two weeks.

## 13. Adjourn Meeting

Trustee Causseaux moved to adjourn the meeting, and Trustee Mills seconded. Town Clerk Carrell called for a vote. All were in favor.

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 7:28 PM.

(Attest)

Alayna Carrell, Town Clerk	Christina Bergquist, Mayor