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TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

450 S. Parish, Johnstown, CO Monday, March 04, 2024 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mellon called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Present:

Councilmember Berg

Councilmember Molinar

Councilmember Morris

Councilmember Paranto

Councilmember Young

Mayor Mellon

AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Mellon noted a request to move the first executive session to after public comment.

Councilmember Berg Moved To Approve The Agenda As Amended With The First Executive Session Moving To After Public Comment.

Councilmember Morris seconded and the motion passed. .

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2. Business of the Month

Sarah Crosthwaite, Economic Development Manager, presented Clubhouse Academy as the March Business of the Month.

3. Employee Introductions

New employees were introduced as follows:

Meghan Martinez, Communications and Marketing Manager, introduced Isabelle Griego.

Chief Oglesby, Police Department, introduced Officer Logan Robinson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Amy Musgrave, spoke to the Downtown signage.

Lesley Hollywood spoke to the signage in Downtown.

Online public comment was received as follows:

- Andrea Crawford emailed a comment regarding bike racks in Downtown.
- Christopher Bates emailed a comment regarding Xfinity boxes.

The Community that Cares

- Dezzie Lujan emailed a comment regarding signage in Downtown.
- Michael Trapp emailed a comment regarding signage in Downtown.
- Scott Gudmundson emailed a comment regarding signage in Downtown.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. An executive session to receive legal advice from the Town's Water Attorney pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b) regarding Water Division No. 1 - Case Number: 20CW3011

This item was moved to after Public Comment.

Councilmember Berg Moved To Recess Into Executive Session To Receive Legal Advice From The Town's Water Attorney Pursuant To C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(B) Regarding Water Division No. 1 - Case Number: 20CW3011

Councilmember Paranto seconded and the motion passed.

Council stood in recess.

Council reconvened and Mayor Mellon noted no items were discussed outside of those noted in the motion

CONSENT AGENDA.

Councilmember Berg moved to approve the consent agenda

Councilmember Paranto seconded and the motion passed.

- 4. February 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- 5. Ordinance 2024-241: Second Reading, Approving the Larson Annexation
- 6. Resolution 2024-10: Setting the Public Hearing Date for the Yellow Roof Annexation
- 7. Annexation Agreement Larson Annexation
- 8. Boundary Agreement Between the Town of Milliken and Town of Johnstown
- 9. February 2024 List of Bills

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

10. Town Manager's Report

Mr. LeCerf presented the report noted in the packet. It was noted that Council received a letter of support request from the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks and Council asked for Mr. LeCerf to share the requested letter.

Council expressed appreciation on the new layout of the Town Manager report.

TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

There was no Town Attorney Report.

NEW BUSINESS

11. Council Chambers Audio/Visual Options

Hannah Hill, Town Clerk, presented the options to Council noting staff's recommendation to move forward with a more complete system replacement.

Johnathan Eubank from High County Low Voltage answered Council's questions regarding audio and sound quality with an updated system.

Councilmember Paranto Moved Forward With High Country Low Voltage For A Full System Replacement Of The Chambers Audio Video System As Presented And Authorize The Town Manager To Sign The Agreement

Councilmember Morris seconded and the motion passed.

12. Resolution 2024-13: Approving the Purchase and Sale Agreement By and Between the Town Of Johnstown and Bruce Gillam Development Corporation and/or its Successors or Assigns for the Purchase of Real Property Known As Lot 1 and Outlot A, Country Acres Tenth Filing Town of Johnstown, County of Weld, State of Colorado, Consisting of Approximately .317 Acres

Mr. LeCerf presented this resolution noting this item related to the ongoing drainage issues in Country Acres.

Council asked for clarification on the communication plan for this item going forward. Mr. LeCerf noted that the neighborhood would be notified, and design is currently underway. Once both parties have signed this item, staff will communicate with the neighborhood.

Councilmember Berg Moved To Approve Resolution 2024-13 As Presented And Authorize The Town Manager And Town Attorney To Administratively Approve The Purchase And Sale Agreement, If Changes Are Necessary.

Councilmember Morris seconded and the motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

13. Resolution No. 2024-11: Approving North Ridge Design Guidelines

Mayor Mellon opened the public hearing.

Tony LeFevre, Planner I, presented this hearing to Council, nothing the history of this item and that the design guidelines would speak to the details that a developer would need clarification on. Planning and Zoning Commission offered recommendation for approval.

Council asked for clarification on what standards are for Bike Lanes. Mr. LeCerf noted that there are certain types of roadways that speak to this, and Council noted they would like to see bike lanes.

Council asked if there was sustainable differences with the Land Use Code. Mr. LeFevre noted the guidelines are similar, with noted exceptions to parking guidelines.

Russ Lee representing Ripley Design noted the goals of continuity of design.

Mayor Mellon opened the hearing for comments in favor or opposed to this item to which there was none.

Mayor Mellon closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Morris Moved To Approve Resolution No. 2024-11 Accepting The North Ridge Design Guidelines.

Councilmember Molinar seconded and the motion passed.

14. Resolution No. 2024-12: Approving The Ridge Johnstown Design Guidelines

Mayor Mellon opened the public hearing.

Tony LeFevre, Planner I, presented this hearing to Council, noting 135 acres of mixed use zoning. Substantial compliance with the current Land Use Code, with Planning and Zoning recommending approval.

Council asked for clarification on the naming as the two proposed design guidelines in the packet are similar. Mr. Lee noted was changed to create cohesion across both developments.

Mayor Mellon opened the hearing for comments in favor or opposed to this item to which there was none.

Mayor Mellon closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Young Moved To Approve Resolution No. 2024-12 Accepting The Ridge Design Guidelines.

Councilmember Berg seconded and the motion passed.

COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Councilmember Young noted the Historical Society Letford Brick sales. The Library has completed the kitchen/workspace remodel and are moving into the children's area.

Councilmember Paranto noted the upcoming Upstate Colorado event.

Councilmember Berg noted a youth turnout for Veteran's and the Police Officer of the Year to Office Farris.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Mellon noted the Weld County hearing for the gravel pit regarding Loveland Ready Mix and noted the Town's desire was not met but discussed the approved route. The commissioners did mandate that the gravel company put in all the safety improvements the Town requested.

Mayor Mellon spoke to a meeting with the Town's state representative's about current legislature; a local meeting at the YMCA and met the new director of the YMCA.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

15. An Executive Session to Discuss a Personnel Matter Under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(f) - Town Manager Evaluation

Councilmember Berg Moved To Recess To Executive Session To Discuss A Personnel Matter Under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(F) - Town Manager Evaluation

Councilmember Paranto seconded and the motion passed.

Council reconvened from executive session and Mayor Mellon noted no items were discussed outside of what was noted in the motion.

Councilmember Paranto Moved To Approve An 18% Increase In Pay To The Town Manager Effective Immediately Due To His Evaluation

Councilmember Morris seconded and the motion passed.

ADJOURN

Council discussed public comment speaking time to five minutes. Discussion centered around length of time for each comment, total comment period and noted this item would be discussed at a later date.

Mayor Mellon adjourned the March4, 2024 meeting at 9:33 pm.

 Troy D. Mellon, Mayor
Hannah Hill. Town Clerk