

## MINUTES

**DATE:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018

**MEETING:** Winter Park Town Council

**PLACE:** Town Hall Council Chambers

**PRESENT:** Mayor Jimmy Lahrman, Mayor Pro Tem Nick Kutrumbos, Councilors, Jim Myers, Chuck Banks, Mike Periolat, Art Ferrari, and Chris Seemann via telephone, Interim Town Manager Stan Zemler

### **OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Housing Manager John Crone, Capital Projects and Parks Director Gerry Vernon, Community Development Director James Shockey, Finance Director Bill Wengert, Chief of Police Glen Trainor, Building and Planning Technician Joan Evans, and Transit Director Michael Koch

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#### **1. Meeting Call To Order**

Mayor Jimmy Lahrman called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Mayor Lahrman led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **2. Action Items**

##### **2.a. Oath of Office for Newly Elected Councilmembers**

Finance Director Bill Wengert led the newly elected councilmembers, Art Ferrari, Nick Kutrumbos, Chris Seemann, and Chuck Banks in reciting their Oaths of Office.

##### **2.b. Election of Mayor**

Councilor Jim Myers asked if the election of Mayor could be tabled until next meeting. The Town's Charter, and Town Attorney Kendra Carberry said no, it must be decided. Councilor Mike Periolat asked who would like to be Mayor. Jimmy Lahrman and Nick Kutrumbos stated they would like to be Mayor. Councilor Art Ferrari stated his concern about Winter Park's relationship with the Town of Fraser. Councilor Mike Periolat stated that the Town of Winter Park has reached out many times to Fraser and has felt a lack of communication on their end. Most Councilors stated communication in general amongst Town Council and Staff is a major concern. Councilor Jim Myers stated Town Council needs to have more open communication within Council and with the Town Manager. Councilor Chuck Banks stated that he has suggested many times that the Mayor or Manager update Council before meetings to better inform Councilors. Mayor Jimmy Lahrman stated he was unaware that the Council felt ill informed. Councilor Chris Seemann stated his concern that the Mayor and Town Manager are more involved than need be. Mr. Seemann stated there is a secondary communication problem because of this involvement. Mr. Periolat stated that perhaps the Manager's Report needs to be more complete. Mr. Lahrman stated that Council didn't utilize workshop sessions to their full potential. Mayor Pro Tem Nick Kutrumbos stated that having a healthy conversation about how Staff and Council communicate is important. Interim Manager Stan Zemler stated Council should look to Manager for communication. Mr. Zemler stated the

importance of having face to face time, instead of written reports. Mr. Zemler stated at his previous place of employment he held weekly meetings with the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. Mr. Zemler stated he has an open-door policy and wants Council to be aware and informed on issues and projects. Mr. Lahrman stated he felt pressure to make decisions on the spot at meetings. Mr. Zemler stated Council should feel comfortable saying no I can't decide this right now, I need more time. Mr. Zemler stated he would like to start weekly or biweekly meetings with the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem, as well as utilize workshop sessions. Mr. Zemler stated Councilors should use common sense when communicating with Public and Staff. Mr. Seemann stated his concern that councilor's public interactions are interfering with regular meetings. Mr. Zemler stated that when you are having public conversations that you need to be aware. Mr. Ferrari asked if we can move on with the vote for the sake of time. Mr. Lahrman stated he believes Nick and himself have worked well together and has made effort to make sure Nick is informed. Mr. Kutrumbos agreed, he stated that the work that has been accomplished in the past couple years is commendable. Mr. Kutrumbos stated that if he were elected Mayor he would let work, work its way through Staff first before stepping in. Mr. Kutrumbos stated he would focus on projects like the Transit and Maintenance facilities with the County. Mr. Kutrumbos stated that regardless of who is Mayor, everything will work out. Mr. Periolat stated he would like to have a meeting at the beginning of each year to have an open conversation about issues. Mr. Seemann stated that Mayors need to work together, he cannot see going another two years not working with Fraser. Mr. Lahrman stated he is open to suggestions on interactions with Fraser. Councilor Mike Periolat stated his nomination for Jimmy Lahrman for Mayor. Councilor Chris Seemann stated his nomination for Nick Kutrumbos for Mayor.

Mr. Jimmy Lahrman voted as Mayor of Winter Park. Motion Carried: 5-2.

**2.c. Election of Mayor Pro Tem**

Mr. Nick Kutrumbos voted as Mayor Pro Tem of Winter Park. Motion Carried: 6-1.

**2.d. Reappointment of Municipal Court Judge – Georgia Noriyuki**

Councilor Jim Myers moved and Councilor Mike Periolat seconded the motion to approve the Reappointment of Municipal Court Judge Georgia Noriyuki. Motion Carried: 7-0.

**3. Town Hall Meeting**

Winter Park Property Owner Ed Raegner stated he would like to request a workshop session with Town Council to discuss his property Sitzmark Lot 1A. Mr. Raegner stated there are a lot of proposed changes due to development of Sitzmark South. Mr. Raegner stated his concern about losing parking spots on his property. Mayor Lahrman asked Mr. Raegner to approach council about his concern, and asked Community Development Director James Shockey to come up with some viable options for sidewalk placement that won't eliminate parking.

**4. Consent Agenda**

**4.a. Approval of April 3, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Councilor Jim Myers moved and Councilor Chuck Banks seconded the motion to approving the Consent Agenda. Mayor Jimmy Lahrman and Councilor Art Ferrari abstained. Motion Carried: 5-0.

**5. Progress Reports**

**5.a. Fraser Valley Recreation – Scott Ledin**

Mr. Ledin stated that the Recreation District has an upcoming election for Board of Directors of the District. Mr. Ledin stated it will be a polling place election on May 8, 2018, there are three open seats. Absentee applications are available for pick up at the Fraser Valley Recreation Center or online at [www.fraservalleyrec.org](http://www.fraservalleyrec.org). Mr. Ledin stated David McKnight is the only incumbent running, the other candidates are Al White, David Corbin, Lisa Steckler, and Kelley Glancey. Mr.

Ledin stated he hopes the local papers pick up stories on the candidates. Mr. Ledin stated Channel Nine picked up the IceBox Refrigeration Project story. Mr. Ledin stated Staff continues to work on the refrigeration project and hopes to start work in May. Mr. Ledin stated Pole Creek Golf Course will open mid-May, weather dependent. Mr. Ledin stated the Recreation Center Usage was ahead of last year at this time along with the budget. Mr. Ledin stated the Recreation Center will be getting some new equipment this week, and Summer Activity Guides should be available early May. Mr. Ledin stated preliminary discussions have started with the Recreation Center architect and Grand Park about a possible expansion. Mr. Ledin stated Pole Creek Bistro will open on Mother's Day.

**5.b. Grand County Water & Sanitation District # 1 – Bruce Hutchins**

*Not Present.*

**5.c. Winter Park Water and Sanitation District - Kent Bosshard**

*Not Present.*

**5.d. Winter Park Resort – Sky Foulkes**

*Not Present.*

**5.e. Chamber of Commerce – Catherine Ross**

Mrs. Ross stated the Chamber of Commerce has been busy working with Winter Park Resort on Spring Splash and Bash events. Mrs. Ross stated numbers were not as good as they would have liked. Mrs. Ross stated Staff will evaluate how all the events worked out after closing weekend. Mrs. Ross stated that the new Switchback Festival almost has a full line-up, then Blues Fest is the weekend after. Mrs. Ross stated they are working with lodging companies to promote Blues and Bikes since Blues Fest is happening alongside Mountain Bike Capital weekend. Blues Fest is selling 17% ahead of last year already. Mrs. Ross stated Country Weekend has confirmed Justin Moore as the headliner. Mrs. Ross asked Town Council if they would like to do Solshine Weekend Festival or use \$120,000 towards other confirmed events. Mrs. Ross stated it is a bit of a risk, right now they are in budget. However, if Council agrees to Solshine it could be a risk since every weekend is ticketed. Town Council agreed to take a risk and go forward with Solshine. Town Council agreed it's important to have stage activated every possible weekend in August. Mrs. Ross stated the Ride the Rockies headquarters will be the Fraser Valley Recreation Center, and Hideaway Park will be entertainment headquarters.

**5.g. Affordable Housing – John Crone**

Mr. Crone stated he went down to Boulder along with others who were involved with Hideaway Place to accept award for Best New Addition to a Downtown. Mr. Crone stated there will be a public meeting tonight at 6:00 pm to discuss Hideaway Junction. Mr. Crone stated he will be meeting with Winter Park Resort to finalize financing and the master lease for the Dimmit II project. Mr. Crone stated he will be meeting with the Town of Fraser's Manager Jeff Durbin to discuss housing problems and solutions. Mr. Crone stated he is moving forward with monitoring of Hideaway Place and is currently reviewing RFPs for management companies. Mr. Crone stated that a dumpster enclosure and landscaping for Hideaway place will be done this spring. Councilor Chuck Banks stated he would like to see a tenant association for Hideaway Place. Mr. Crone stated he doesn't think a tenant association would work for that type of housing situation. Mr. Crone stated that all remote lights and fans have been removed, therefore concluding light wars amongst tenants. Mayor Lahrman stated his thanks to Mr. Crone for all his arduous work and dedication to Hideaway Place.

**5.h. Transit – Michael Koch**

Mr. Koch stated transit service switches over to spring service on April 23, 2018. All routes will stay along Hwy 40, if flex service is needed, then people must call. Mr. Koch stated he is currently working on Winter 2018/2019 service planning. Mr. Koch stated March Ridership had a 20 percent increase. Mr. Koch stated Granby ridership surveys are back, and he will be discussing the results with Granby Manager Aaron Blair. Mr. Koch stated the year-round service to Granby is very possible. Mr. Koch stated he is having preproduction chats with Gilig about the next bus order. Mr. Koch stated Town should have new bus by December and a third cutaway bus by summer or early fall. Mr. Koch stated faster grant through Colorado Department of Transportation totaled \$480,000 dollars. Mr. Koch stated the capital grant will be used in 2020, and only a certain number of vehicles can be purchased with that money. Mr. Koch stated Hanover will be in Town replacing destination signs on thirteen buses. Mayor Lahrman asked Mr. Koch and Mr. Banks how healthy the transit budget is. Mr. Koch replied transit operation costs are under budget. Mr. Koch stated that summer service will go through Grand Park. Mr. Koch stated Winter Park's Transit will now be on Google.

**5.i. Staff Reports**

*Nothing to Report.*

**6. Town Manager's Report**

Mr. Zemler stated he will be having a meeting with the Town of Fraser to discuss housing. Mr. Zemler stated Staff and legal counsel are working on the agreements with Rendezvous. Mr. Zemler stated a packet was sent to the state about the liquor licensing authority's decision to grant a change of location to applicant Riverside Spirits. The applicant has already received license back from State. Mr. Zemler stated he is meeting with Winter Park Resort about Dimmit II financing later this afternoon. Mr. Zemler stated discussions have continued with Charlie Johnson regarding the Transit Center. Mr. Zemler and Mr. Koch stated they are hopeful to have a signed Intergovernmental agreement with Fraser by Mid-May.

**6.a. Council Retreat Discussion**

Councilors stated dates that would work for each of them regarding a Council Retreat. Councilors decided June 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> are the tentative dates for a Council Retreat.

**7. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Lahrman stated he attended the award ceremony in Boulder with Housing Manager John Crone. Mr. Lahrman stated he introduced Interim Town Manager Stan Zemler to everyone at the Mayor, Manager, and Commissioner Meeting. Mr. Lahrman stated elections were discussed at that meeting, Kremmling elected a new mayor. Mr. Lahrman stated Kremmling will be working on updating infrastructure, and Grand Lake voiced concerns about housing for summer employees at that meeting. Mr. Lahrman stated Fraser sales tax is up six percent, and the bridge project on County Road Eight is being postponed. Mr. Lahrman stated the Grand County Board of Realtors asked him to attend their board meeting. Mr. Lahrman and Mr. Zemler will be attending a meeting with East Grand Fire Department, as well as a branding meeting down in

Denver. Mr. Lahrman stated Fraser is going forward with adding two medians to HWY 40. One median will be placed just South of Eisenhower Drive, and the other just North of Eisenhower Drive.

**8. Town Council Items for Discussion**

Councilor Jim Myers stated that a memorial bust of John Catt was donated but still needs the funding to be bronzed. Interim Town Manager Stan Zemler stated that funding for bronzing should be private since the cast started out with private funding. Councilors agreed that it should be privately funded, then when finished, a dedication ceremony can be discussed.

There being no further business to discuss, upon a motion regularly adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

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The next scheduled meeting of the Town Council will be Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

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Danielle Jardee, Town Clerk