



Official Minutes

MEETING OF THE • MINTURN TOWN COUNCIL
Minturn Town Center, 302 Pine Street • Minturn, CO 81645 • (970) 827-5645

Wednesday December 2, 2009

Work Session – 6:00 PM
Regular Session – 7:00 PM

MAYOR – Gordon “Hawkeye” Flaherty
MAYOR PRO TEM – George Brodin

Town Administrator – Jim White
TOWN CLERK/TREAS – Jay Brunvand

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Shelley Bellm
Lorraine Haslee
Jerry Bumgarner
Aggie Martinez
Matt Scherr

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Work Session – 6:00 PM

- Discussion regarding the formation of a committee to study transportation issues – White/Scherr (20min)
- Mayor’s requests to reconsider 2009 Staff annual bonuses – White/Flaherty (10min)
- Mayor’s request to review the purchase of finance software – White/Flaherty (10min)
- Mayor Pro Tem’s request to discuss Town signage, lights and holiday banners – White/Brodin (10min)

Regular Session – 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Hawkeye Flaherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Those present included Mayor Hawkeye Flaherty, Mayor Pro Tem George Brodin, Lorraine Haslee, Jerry Bumgarner, Shelley Bellm, Matt Scherr and Aggie Martinez.

Staff present was Town Administrator Jim White, Town Treasurer/Clerk Jay Brunvand, Deputy Clerk Michelle Metteer, and Attorney Allen Christensen.

STANDING ITEMS

2. Approval of Agenda

a. Items to be Pulled or Added

Items Added:

- 12a – Discussion and Direction regarding a letter to the Eagle County Transit Board
- 12b – Discussion and Direction regarding Holiday hours

Motion by Shelly B, second by George B, to approve the agenda as amended, all voted in favor.

3. Approval of Minutes and Action Report (5min)

- November 18, 2009 Regular Council Meeting
- Action Item Report

Motion by George B., second by Aggie M., to approve the Minutes of November 18, 2009 as presented, all voted in favor.

5. Public comments on items, which are NOT on the agenda (5 minute time limit per person).

- Mr. Frank Lorenti, 1081 Main St,
 - Requested Council to approve a Mill Levy Credit for the citizens of Minturn; Council rejected consideration of this.
 - He believes that there should not be a onetime bonus or raises for the Town Staff
 - He expressed his concern over the lack of holiday decoration throughout town. He stated the building owned by Battle Mountain is a great gateway to put up some holiday decoration and be more festive.
 - Mr. Lorenti commented on his request that some of the Battle Mtn Development escrow be requested from the company to be used for more pressing and current needs in the community. He requested this be an agenda item.

Direction was given for Mr. Lorenti to meet with Jim W. to discuss his ideas and bring forward recommendations and options to the Council at either of the regular Council Meetings in January 2010.

6. Special Presentations/Citizen Recognition

• Citizen Recognition – Osborne/Greaseon

Certificates of appreciation were given to both Ms. Lisa Osborne and Ms. Tabitha Greason for the exceptional time and effort they gave to make the October 30, 2009 Minturn Halloween a positive community event. Lisa O. thanked Safeway and City Market for their donations which directly contributed to the success of the event.

7. Town Administrator's Report

- The ribbon cutting for the new ECO bike path stretch which was recently completed at the north end of Town Postponed would be postponed until Spring, considering May 15, 2010
- The Council room is being utilized for Census testing to assist in the National 2010 Census. Ms. Lin Johnson-Wil is the contact
- Mr. Allen Matlosz will be present at the December 16, 2009 Council Meeting to discuss refinancing of the Town Center at 302 Pine Street.
- Jim W. informed Council that Notification of Investigation letters had been sent to three residences in Town requesting an opportunity to meet with the owners to resolve the concerns of assessor units.
- Downtown Colorado Inc. grant proposed. Jim W. asked for the council to think about this and give direction as it is time sensitive. George B said this is just a repeat of Oz. Shelley B made note that she would not support this.

8. Town Council Comments

- Matt S expressed concern about sidewalk snow clearing. He stated it is not off to a good start.
- Loraine H. would like to thank Darla Goodell and the Turntable staff for giving free meals on Thanksgiving. She would also like to encourage citizens to decorate for the Holidays.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ACTION ITEMS

9. Discussion/Action – Ordinance 8 – Series 2009 (Second Reading) An Ordinance Creating a Supplemental Appropriation to the 2009 Town of Minturn Budget – Brunvand

Hawkeye introduced the item. Jay B. noted the changes.

Matt S. asked if the change in 2010 water allowance would be notified to the residents. Jay B. stated it would be noted at the bottom of the water bill. After discussion it was stated that in addition to the note at the bottom of the water bill other ideas would be developed to include notice on the website, posters around the Town Center and Post Office as well as other ideas.

Motion by Jerry B., second by George B., to approve Ordinance 8 – Series 2009 (Second Reading) An Ordinance Creating a Supplemental Appropriation to the 2009 Town of Minturn Budget as amended; all voted in favor.

10. Discussion/Action – Ordinance 9 – Series 2009 (Second Reading) An Ordinance Setting the 2010 General Property Tax Mill Levy for the Town of Minturn – Brunvand

Hawkeye introduced the item. This is the second reading of the ordinance setting the mill levy for 2010. Jay B. stated that he had received the final Assessed Valuation from the County Assessor and the new figures were represented in the amended Ordinance.

Motion by George B., seconded by Shelley B., to approve Ordinance 9 – Series 2009 (Second Reading) An Ordinance Setting the 2010 General Property Tax Mill Levy for the Town of Minturn as amended; all voted in favor.

11. Discussion/Action – Ordinance 10 – Series 2009 (Second Reading) An Ordinance Adopting and Recognizing the Town of Minturn's 2010 Revenues and Expenses by Fund – Brunvand

Hawkeye introduced the item. Jay B. noted the Council had not given final direction on the Community Funding dollars. He noted Council had agreed on an amount of \$5,100 but had not specifically identified which organizations would receive which amounts. Discussion ensued as to how the funds would be divided.

Direction was given to give:

- Radio Free Minturn \$1,000
- The Eagle County Historical Society would receive \$100 as a membership fee.
- The Minturn Community Fund would receive \$3,000
- And \$1,000 would be set aside for unidentified needs in 2010

Jay B. also identified other changes in the Ordinance from the first reading.

Motion by Lorraine H., seconded by Aggie M., to approve Ordinance 10 – Series 2009 (Second Reading) An Ordinance Adopting and Recognizing the Town of Minturn's 2010 Revenues and Expenses by Fund as amended; all voted in favor.

12. Discussion/Action – Resolution 27 – Series 2009 a Resolution setting Town Fees for the fiscal year 2010

Hawkeye introduced the item. Discussion ensued as to some of the fees on the list. Hawkeye F. recommended Council table the Resolution until the December 16 Council meeting where there questions could be researched and detailed.

Motion by Jerry B., second by Shelley B., to table until December 16, 2009 Resolution 27 – Series 2009 a Resolution setting Town Fees for the Fiscal Year 2010 as presented; all voted in favor.

12a. Discussion/Direction – Regarding a letter to the Eagle County Transit Board requesting bus service reinstatement for the Town of Minturn

Discussion ensued as to the point that Minturn citizens are tax payers of the County and represent a large housing center. It was noted it is not fair that Minturn and County citizens are not being serviced but that several buses from Leadville service out-of-county residents.

Motion by Lorraine H., second by Shelley B., to direct the Town Manager to write a letter expressing the desires of the Minturn community on behalf of the Minturn Town Council and further to allow the Mayor to sign such letter; all voted in favor.

12b. Discussion/Direction – Regarding hours of operation during the Holiday Season

Lorraine H. recommended the Town employees be given four hours off on the afternoon of Thursday December 24th with pay.

Motion by Lorraine H., second by Jerry B., for the following consideration; all voted in favor.

Dear Town of Minturn Employees,

In celebration and recognition of your service to the Town of Minturn and its citizens, the Minturn Town Council would like to offer each of the employees 4 hours of time off with pay, to be taken on Christmas Eve day. If unable to use then, these 4 hours may be used at another time to be determined by the employee and their supervisor.

Minturn Town Council members

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next Meeting

- Discussion/Action – Minturn Community Plan – December 16 Regular Session – Cerimele (30min)
- Discussion/Action – Resolution 27 – Series 2009 a Resolution setting Town Fees for the fiscal year 2010 – Brunvand – (10Min)
- Discussion of Greenbelt information – Worksession – White (10min)
- Discussion of Downtown Minturn Inc – Worksession – White (10min)

Future meetings

- Use tax discussion – Work Session – January 2010
- Sidewalk discussion – Work Session – January 2010
- GID Audit Exemption Review – White – February 3, 2010

13. Set Future Meeting Dates

a) Council Meetings

- December 16, 2009
- January 6, 2010
- January 20, 2010

b) Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings

- December 9, 2009
- December 23, 2009 – CANCELED
- January 13, 2010
- January 27, 2009

c) Other

- Thanksgiving – November 26-27, 2009 – Office Closed
- Winter Market – December 12, 2009
- Christmas – December 25, 2009 – Office Closed
- Minturn Transportation Committee Meeting – 5pm Wednesday December 9, 2009

14. Adjournment

Motion by Shelley B, seconded by Lorraine H., to adjourn the regular session of the Minturn Town Council at 8:01 p.m.


Mayor Hawkeye Flaherty

ATTEST:


Town Clerk, Jay Brunvand

