

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting Town of Grand Lake – Board of Trustees Monday October 11, 2021, 6:00 PM

- CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Steve Kudron at 6:11 P.M. in the Town Hall Board Room
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Kudron led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance
- ROLL CALL PRESENT:** Mayor Kudron, Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman, Trustees Southway, Bruton, Calvin-Braley, Bergquist and Arntson; Town Clerk Thompson, Town Manager Crone
- ABSENT** None
- ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mayor Kudron announced: Please turn off all cell phones during the meeting
- CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** Mayor Kudron stated if there are any conflicts of interest with any item on this evening agenda, Trustees may announce their conflict at this time
- Trustee Southway will excuse herself from the Executive Session
- MANAGERS REPORT:** COVID numbers are going back down in Grand County, although they are still relatively high. Hopefully, we can get this under control by the time our winter tourism season gets here. We have offered the position of Treasurer to a local applicant. We will be meeting this week to hash out some of the details, and hopefully, by next meeting we will have a new Town Treasurer. Lisa Watkins is still helping out and will help to train our new hire. The recall election was held on October 5, 2021, and Mayor Kudron was retained by a vote of 150-45 (unofficial). The Town owes a great deal of gratitude to our Town Clerk, Jenn Thompson, for her efforts in pulling off this extraordinary election.
- The Town has entered into a contract with MuniWeb to build a new website, agenda center, and interactive municipal code. Once these projects are completed there should be a noticeable difference in the ability of people to acquire information that they are looking for and interact with Town staff. There will be two events held to recognize the impact of the East Troublesome fire a year ago. On October 21st at 7 PM we will have a remembrance ceremony in Town Park. On October 23rd at 11 AM we will be having a town meal and other events in Town Park. Please visit gograndlake.com for details.
- Over the past several weeks, Town staff has had several people reach out with proposals for employee housing. We are diligently pursuing these contacts and hope to bring something to the Board in the very near future. Once again, with winter coming, we can count on more bears coming into Town trying to fatten up. Please make sure that you keep your trash in bear proof containers and don't leave food sitting out. The Town shut off summer water last week. Public Works has been hard at work preparing our parks and open spaces for winter. We will be setting up the ice rink in Town Park again this winter. We are also working on the lot next to Sloopy's to ensure that the snowmobile trail does not get undermined by flowing water. The Boards next meeting is scheduled for October 25th.

**UNSCHEDULED
PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Kudron announced this time is reserved for members of the Public to make a presentation to the Board on items or issues that are not scheduled on the agenda. The Board will not discuss or debate these items, nor will the Board make any decisions on items presented during this time. Rather, the Board will refer the items to Staff for follow up. If a member of the public wishes to comment regarding items on the Agenda, time will be allocated at the beginning of each non-quasi-judicial item. For items of a quasi-judicial nature, time will be allocated during the public hearing for the item. Time limited for Public comments is 3 minutes.

Andy Murphy – 228 County Road 442

This will be a procedural comment, although it will pertain to item R. I will use an example of back in the spring and summer of 2019. There were a number of Executive Sessions held, and generally so, regarding Town personnel. I sat through many of the meetings and the Executive Session are generally scheduled at the end of the meeting. The entire audience will get up and leave, the Executive Session would take place, and then on at least two occasions because I sat out in the parking lot and came back in, a vote was taken which was not on the agenda and which had community input been allowed, and were not done in the dark of night rather than the light of day, I suspect the outcome would have been a whole lot different.

We lost a very good gentleman who was our Town Manager at the time and it ended up costing the Town \$100,000 in severance package, and who gets a severance package when they retire? So, you can read between the lines on that one. And we had to have two Interim Town Managers before we were able to hire Mr. Crone. I would ask that whatever decision or discussion you have in Executive Session, which you cannot vote during in case you have not been told that, those votes have to be open in an open meeting. I would ask that, first of all, you postpone those votes until they are put on the agenda and the public is made aware of them. Or, if it's a matter of such urgency that the vote needs to be taken after Executive Session, that you ask the Town Clerk to send out a blast email, given it is asked for at sign in of the meetings all these years, to tell us to come back so the public can witness what is transpiring, rather than it being done to an empty room. Thank you very much.

MEETING MINUTES:

Consideration to approve the Meeting Minutes dated July 26, 2021

Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated July 26, 2021, with correction to page 1. Trustee Calvin-Braleley seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Aye
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Braleley	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

Consideration to approve the Meeting Minutes dated August 9, 2021

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Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated August 9, 2021, with correction to page 1. Trustee Calvin-Braleley seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Aye
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Braleley	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

FINANCIAL REVIEW:

Consideration to approve Accounts Payable for October 2021

Trustee Southway – I want to state that the Board has not had complete financial reports for review since January 2021

Trustee Southway made a motion to approve accounts payable for October 2021. Trustee Arntson seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Aye
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Braleley	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration to approve Resolution 32-2021, a Resolution approving a variance from Street Development Policies, Standards and Specifications to allow a second driveway for property located at Lot 4-6, Block 13, Town of Grand Lake, 812 Park Avenue

Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman made a motion to approve Resolution 32-2021, as presented. Trustee Calvin-Braleley seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Aye
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Braleley	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

Consideration of Resolution 31-2021, a Resolution authorizing Signatories to Town bank accounts

Trustee Calvin-Braleley made a motion to approve Resolution 31-2021, as presented. Trustee Bergquist seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
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Trustee Calvin-Brale	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

Consideration of a contract with Colorado Boat Center to purchase new boats for the Marina

Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman made a motion to approve the contract with Colorado Boat Center, as presented. Trustee Arntson seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Aye
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Brale	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

MAYORS REPORT:

Hi folks, I'm your Mayor for the next two and a half years. That does not mean that it is going to be easier or different. We've still got a lot of things that we need to do. We've been through a lot. We can't stop being the very best that we can be. I know every single one of our Trustees, our staff members, and our community wants the very best for this town. Everybody loves it. There are places that people tolerate because they have a job or they have this or they have that. It doesn't work that way in Grand Lake. You're here because you want to be here or you leave, so we have to respect that. We have to respect that understanding that everybody that's here is giving something up to have the good thing we have here. Stick with us. We continue to stub our toes and that's because of what I just said, this is a different place. There are more rocks up here to stub your toes on. Our job, I do believe, is to help put those on a path so that everybody gets a chance to enjoy it and find this place as special as we all do.

It never was a slogan during the recall but I said it a number of times, and it wasn't about the recall, it's just about how our word is these days. We need to learn to be nice to each other. Last meeting when we were here and we had conversations with advocates, that's a sad reality. Thank you Trustee Southway for bringing her to us, to bring that awareness to us. I don't know how we all got here, but we did. I think as Trustees and as a community lets just be nice and figure out the best way to get out of here and get to a great place, a great place that Grand Lake can be. A great place that our community can be and is. If we do nothing, Grand Lake is an amazing place, but if we do something it will be an amazing place well past when we are gone. Thank you guys for listening to my comments. To everybody that is still out there, thanks for watching us grow because this Board has grown a lot. We have conversations that we would never have had and not because of the public, but because of what you all have become, so thanks.

FUTURE ITEMS &

STAFF DIRECTION:

Resolution for remote meeting participation
Sales Tax by industry reports
Budget workshop on October 14th
Annexation of Town land

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Consideration to enter into Executive Session

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Executive Session Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(1) to determine positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; develop strategy for negotiations, and instruct negotiators regarding purchase of alley easement

Executive Session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b), Colorado Revised Statutes, for the Board of Trustees to confer with the Town Attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions related to the Board's relationship with the Town Manager and possible investigation of certain activities of the Town Manager

Trustee Bergquist made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Trustee Bjorkman seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Abstain
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Brale	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

Trustee Calvin-Brale made a motion to direct the Town Attorney to work with the Town's insurer (CIRSA) to appoint an outside investigator to look into claims related to the Town Manager's interactions with, and possible intimidation of, a Trustee, Town Staff, and the public. Trustee Bjorkman seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Abstain
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Brale	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

ADJOURNMENT:

Trustee Calvin-Brale made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Arntson seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

Mayor Kudron	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bjorkman	Aye
Trustee Southway	Aye
Trustee Bergquist	Aye
Trustee Calvin-Brale	Aye
Trustee Arntson	Aye
Trustee Bruton	Aye

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:34 PM.

(Attest)



Jennifer Thompson
Jennifer Thompson, Town Clerk

Steve Kudron
Steve Kudron, Mayor