

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

### Regular Meeting Town of Grand Lake – Board of Trustees Monday January 25, 2021 6:00 PM

- CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Mayor Steve Kudron at 6:00 P.M. via Go to Meeting virtual platform
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Kudron led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance
- ROLL CALL PRESENT:** Mayor Kudron, Mayor Pro-Tem Landy, Trustees Southway, Bruton, Bjorkman, Calvin-Brale 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 – **None**
- 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. Time limited for Public comments is 3 minutes. **None**
- DELEGATIONS:** **None**
- MEETING MINUTES:** **Consideration to approve meeting minutes dated January 11, 2021**
- Trustee Bjorkman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes dated January 11, 2021, with an addition to page 4 comments, per Trustee Southways request: "Can we direct staff to move forward with the recommendation of the position of an Assistant Town Manager? I recommend we consider the Town Clerk and Director of Human Resources be appointed, with Mayor Kudrons approval." Trustee Calvin-Brale seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:
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| Mayor Kudron         | Aye |
| Mayor Pro-Tem Landy  | Aye |
| Trustee Southway     | Aye |
| Trustee Bjorkman     | Aye |
| Trustee Calvin-Brale | Aye |
| Trustee Arntson      | Aye |
| Trustee Bruton       | Aye |
- FINANCIAL REVIEW:** **Consideration to approve Accounts Payable for January 2021**
- Trustee Southway made a motion to approve Accounts Payable for January 2021. Trustee Calvin-Brale seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

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

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Consideration to appoint Heather MacSlarrow to the Grand Lake Planning Commission**

Trustee Calvin-Brale made a motion to approve the appointment of Heather MacSlarrow to the Grand Lake Planning Commission. Trustee Bruton seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

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

#### **Consideration to approve the Chamber of Commerce contract for 2021**

Trustee Arntson made a motion to approve the Chamber of Commerce contract for 2021. Trustee Calvin-Brale seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

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

#### **Consideration to Appoint Katie Hearsum as Town Clerk Pro-Tem for Grand Lake**

Trustee Southway made a motion to appoint Katie Hearsum as the Town Clerk Pro-Tem for the Town of Grand Lake. Trustee Bjorkman seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

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

#### **Consideration to approve Ordinance 01-2021, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF GRAND LAKE, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A SITE LEASE, A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT,**

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### AND RELATED DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BY THE TOWN; APPROVING THE FORMS OF SUCH DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Trustee Bjorkman made a motion to approve Ordinance 01-2021, as presented. Trustee Arntson seconded the motion. Town Clerk Thompson called the vote:

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

#### **MANAGERS REPORT:**

First of all, my son is recovering incredibly well. It's amazing what youth does. He pretty much shattered his back and it will be a long recovery, but they are expecting a full recovery. He can now sit up, stand up and walk around on his own. I appreciate everybody that has reached out, the Trustees, Staff, and towns people. So many have reached out and have really demonstrated what we are all about, which is all about being Grand Lakers. I know there is a lot of concern about the Town moving forward with the Stanley Property Purchase and moving forward and with Art Space. I want to say to all of the interested people, look at what has happened in previous issues. Art Space at Grand Lake Center, despite the claims that there was no discussion, we had two Town meetings about it.

We had a Town meeting and numerous Board Meetings about the Stanley Property. I have a great set of Trustees across the board. You can believe that every single one of them is looking out for your interest as community members of Grand Lake. There's not going to be anything forced down anyone's throat without clear discussion and clear understanding of what these implications are. We're going into winter and we heard some promising news from Ms. Baker today about vaccines getting out, about COVID getting under control by this summer, so let's keep our fingers crossed on that. As we saw, the National Park Service announced they will not be using a reservation system this year. That could bring an additional 500,000 visitors who didn't go through Grand Lake this past year. I think all the front range visitors who discovered Grand Lake this past summer are not going to forget what they discovered.

I am hopeful that we are going to be looking at a busy and lively summer in Town. Hopefully opening up some of our restaurants and bars to greater capacity. I'm hopeful that we can get through this with everyone. I don't have much prepared as it has been a pretty busy two weeks for me. I have been focused on the Town but really focused on my family for these past two weeks. I will get back to my written report next meeting, with more comprehensive explanations of what is going on. We did have a very good Ice Addiction Tournament which brought a lot of business into Town last week and they are coming back next month. We are seeing people in Grand Lake. The Town has recently worked with the Park Service and the Trail Groomers who built snow fences that will be put up on the Town trail. We need snow, we just desperately need snow, lets keep our fingers crossed for that.

### **MAYORS REPORT:**

The Three Lakes Fishing Tournament is this weekend. Everybody come out, everybody fish! Let's hope that the temperature and the snowfall is appropriate and safe. Be careful out there for those of you who are on the ice. It's been an interesting couple of weeks because our community has chosen to express dissatisfaction with the plans of the Town. I just want to say that this Board has made the decision to continue to move forward because they believe, with the information that they have been provided, that these future items are imperative to our sustainable future. Yes, there are concerns and there are some risks. This is not a risky venture. This is land that needs to be taken care of. There are uses that the Town needs to explore. As a community we can all work together to solve those problems.

We did not expect to see what we saw on October 21<sup>st</sup>. We certainly didn't expect to talk about shutdowns and when our Public Health Director comes to give us an update, she says "You all know where the COVID dial is", it's sad but we do. As 2021 has started, it seems like the lion that was roaring in 2020 hasn't gone anywhere and we're all still waiting for that little lamb. Know this, your Town and your Trustees are committed to our future. We are working every day on different areas of recovery. Our businesses are suffering and what Trustee Bjorkman mentioned with the Grand Lake business relief fund, make sure every business in the 80447 is touching and getting a hold of some of that money so that they can keep their doors open.

We just got some great information, you have probably seen it on many of the different social networks and it is also posted in Town Hall, that for individual property owners that have suffered damage and that need help and support there are maps and there is plenty of information so that you can get help. The Town of Grand Lake is fully supporting the County and the Northern Water Conservancy in making sure that the entire area of the East Troublesome Fire recovery is well taken care of. Additionally, this started two years ago, not only private groups in the area but the Town of Grand Lake, Grand County, the Northern Water Conservancy, as well as, Rocky Mountain National Park have been working on ways to understand why the Kawuneeche Valley is losing its riparian value, meaning that all of our elk and deer and moose eat the willows and the willows don't grow back enough and the beavers don't help, cutting that down and making little ponds. The whole system is a little broke. We are almost there, a program is being released this spring that will help to start to build some of the upper Colorado River to not only be resilient as it goes thru the burn area, but also that it will provide a safe future for the water as it goes into Shadow Mountain Reservoir and into the Three Lakes System.

We are going to be starting Streetscape. It seems like just a couple of weeks but is a few months out. There are going to be disruptions and it will be starting in April. It's going to tear up the streets and it's going to be dusty and it's going to be dirty, but its going to get done. We have a sign in Town that needs to be rebuilt for information. We are going to have to figure out if we are going to pick up trash three days a week or four days a week. All of this at the same time that some of our business owners are trying to figure out how to rebuild their homes. Also, each of the Trustees, many whom have other work, will continue to find ways to make Grand Lake it's best self. I really do appreciate everybody's comments and passion because that is what instills within me a hope to know that we and our community working together will reach that future. Rocky Mountain National Park is here to stay and so is Grand Lake. Thank you for your voices

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and please keep us in check to ensure that we do what we say we are going to do. I appreciate all of you, I really do.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

<b>Mayor Kudron</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Pro-Tem Landy</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Southway</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Bjorkman</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Calvin-Braleley</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Arntson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Trustee Bruton</b>	<b>Aye</b>

This meeting of the Board of Trustees was adjourned at 7:15 PM.



*Jennifer Thompson*  
Jennifer Thompson, Town Clerk

*Steve Kudron*  
Steve Kudron, Mayor