



Town Board of Trustees

Minutes

Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm

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THANK YOU.**

1. Meeting Information

207 Muegge Way, Bennett, CO 80102

2. Call to Order

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor

a. Roll Call

Minutes:

Present:

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor

Whitney Oakley, Mayor Pro Tem

Kevin Barden, Trustee

Steve Dambroski, Trustee

Denice Smith, Trustee

Donna Sus, Trustee

Larry Vittum, Trustee

Staff Present:

Trish Stiles, Town Manager

Rachel Summers, Deputy Town Manager

Taeler Houlberg, Administrative Services Director

Denise Taylor, Assistant to the Town Manager

Tiffany Chaput, Communications Coordinator

Steve Hebert, Planning Manager

Steven Hoese, Planning Manager

Greg Thompson, Community and Economic Development Director

Melinda Culley, Town Attorney

Christina Hart, Town Clerk

Public Present:

Kathy Smiley

Pat Siegman

Diane Moler

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor

4. Approval of Agenda

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor

Minutes:

TRUSTEE VITTUM MOVED, MAYOR PRO TEM OAKLEY SECONDED to approve the agenda as presented. The voting was as follows:

Ayes: Dambroski, Oakley, Pindell, Smith, Sus, Vittum, Barden

Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

5. Consent Agenda

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor

Minutes:

MAYOR PRO TEM OAKLEY MOVED, TRUSTEE VITTUM SECONDED to approve the consent agenda as presented. The voting was as follows:

Ayes: Oakley, Pindell, Smith, Sus, Vittum, Barden, Dambroski

Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote. **1. Action:** Approval of July 11, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes **2. Action:** Approval of Resolution No. 981-23 - A Resolution Supporting the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Colorado Energy Office (CEO)

PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments presented.

a. July 11, 2023 - Regular Meeting Minutes

b. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Colorado Energy Office (CEO)

Resolution No. 981-23 - A Resolution Supporting the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Colorado Energy Office (CEO)

Public Comments on Items Not Scheduled for Public Hearing

The Board of Trustees welcomes you. Thank you for joining us for our Town of Bennett Board of Trustees Meeting. If you are not speaking, we ask that you please mute your microphone. For public comment please sign up on the provided sheet or in the chat box. If you are on the phone, once we get through the sign-up sheet and chat box we will call for any other comments for items not on the agenda.

Your comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. The Board may not respond to your comments this evening, rather they may take your comments and suggestions under advisement and provide direction to the appropriate member of Town staff for follow-up. Thank you.

Regular Business

6. Public Hearing - Amendments to Chapter 16 of the Bennett Municipal Code

a. Ordinance No. 772-23 - Updates to Chapter 16, Article III Regarding Sign Regulations

Ordinance No. 772-23 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 16, Article III of the Bennett Municipal Code Regarding Sign Regulations

Minutes:

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, called the matter of updates to Chapter 16, Article III of the Bennett Municipal Code concerning sign regulations, adding a definition for Teacherages and to designate Teacherages a Conditional Use in Public zoning district to order.

The public hearing was opened at 7:03 p.m.

Christina Hart, Town Clerk, stated in accordance with the Colorado state statute, it was duly posted and published in the Eastern Colorado News on Friday, June 30, 2023. Legal #2842.

Steve Hebert, Planning Manager, presented the proposed updates to Chapter 16, Article III of the Bennett Municipal Code regarding sign regulation to the Commission.

Denise Taylor, Assistant to the Town Manager, presented the proposed updates to Chapter 16 of the Bennett Municipal Code Teacherages and to designate Teacherages a Conditional Use in Public Zoning.

The public hearing was closed at 7:21p.m.

MAYOR PRO TEM OAKLEY MOVED, TRUSTEE VITTUM SECONDED to approve Ordinance No. 772-23 - An ordinance amending Chapter 16, Article III of the Bennett Municipal Code regarding sign regulations. The voting was as follows:

Ayes: Pindell, Smith, Sus, Vittum, Barden, Dambroski, Oakley

Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

MAYOR PRO TEM OAKLEY MOVED, TRUSTEE SMITH SECONDED to approve Ordinance No. 773-23 - An ordinance amendment Chapter 16 of the Bennett Municipal Code concerning Teacherages. The voting was as follows:

Ayes: Smith, Sus, Vittum, Barden, Dambroski, Oakley, Pindell

Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

b. Chapter 16.2.210 - Teacherages Definitions

Ordinance No. 773-23 - An Ordinance Amending Chapter 16 of the Bennett Municipal Code Concerning Teacherages

7. Action/Discussion Items

a. Chapter 8 Parking, Storage and Vehicle Weight Changes

Ordinance No. 771-23 - An Emergency Ordinance Amending Chapter 8 of the Bennett Municipal Code Concerning Overweight Vehicle Parking and Restrictions

Minutes:

Trish Stiles, Town Manager, presented an emergency ordinance regarding parking, storage and vehicle weight changes in Chapter 8 of the Bennett Municipal. The Board discussed the item.

TRUSTEE VITTUM MOVED, MAYOR PRO TEM OAKLEY SECONDED to approve Ordinance No. 771-23 - An emergency ordinance amending Chapter 8 of the Bennett Municipal Code concerning overweight vehicle parking and restrictions. The voting was as follows:

Ayes: Sus, Vittum, Barden, Dambroski, Oakley, Pindell, Smith

Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

b. Professional Services Discussion and RFP

Minutes:

Melinda Culley, Town Attorney, reported that Kelly PC has made the difficult decision to resign as the Town's attorney. Ms. Culley expressed her gratitude for serving as the Town's attorney for the past 20 years. Kelly PC will be transitioning out in 60 days.

Trish Stiles, Town Manager, presented a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the professional service for a Town Attorney.

8. Town Manager Report

Minutes:

- Ms. Stiles introduced the Town's new planning manager, Steven Hoese.
- Steve Hebert, Planning Manager, was the recipient of the DRCOG Outstanding Service Award.
- Christina Hart, Town Clerk, received her CMC (Certified Municipal Clerk) designation.
- Marketplace Drive Intersection Update: • CDOT Region 1 Traffic was onsite today. • Pedestrian crossing striping will ensue after the light is flashing. • The traffic light is anticipated to start flashing on Monday, July 31st. The light will flash yellow for north and southbound traffic and flash red for east and westbound traffic. The light will become fully operational on August 4th at 7:00 a.m. CDOT will then own and maintain the signal.
- An event calendar was provided to the Trustees.

9. Trustee Comments and Committee Reports

Mayor and Trustees

Minutes:

Kevin Barden, Trustee, reported on the following:

- Shout out to Staff for organizing the State of the Town. It was a great event.

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, reported on the following:

- Congratulations to Steve Hebert and Christina Hart on their accomplishments. • Thank you to Staff for all of their hard work on projects accomplished. • Thank you to Staff for a fun and memorable State of the Town.

Donna Sus, Trustee, reported on the following:

- Met with Bennett School District 29J Superintendent Robin Purdy and CFO Keith Yaich regarding crossing guards.

Larry Vittum, Trustee, reported on the following:

- Attended DRCOG on July 19th.

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, called for a recess at 8:12 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 8:23 p.m.

10. Executive Session

- a. For the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); Bennett Crossing Pearl Street**

Minutes:

TRUSTEE SMITH MOVED, TRUSTEE DAMBROSKI SECONDED to go into executive session for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e); Bennett Crossing Pearl Street. Voting was as follows:

Ayes: Vittum, Barden, Dambroski, Oakley, Pindell, Smith, Sus,

Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board went into executive session at 8:27 pm.

- b. Return to Open Meeting**

Minutes:

The Board came out of the executive session at 9:12 pm.

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, announced that the Board has been in executive session and the following persons participated: Trustee Barden, Trustee Dambroski, Trustee Vittum, Christina Hart, Greg Thompson, Rachel Summers, Trish Stiles, Trustee Smith, Trustee Sus, Mayor Pro Tem Oakley, Mayor Pindell and Melinda Culley. Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, asked if there were any matters not included in the motion for an executive session or violations of the Open Meetings Law, and if so, that these concerns be stated for the record.

- c. Report from Executive Session**

Minutes:

Direction was provided to Town Staff to proceed accordingly for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); Bennett Crossing Pearl Street.

11. Adjournment

Minutes:

TRUSTEE VITTUM MOVED, TRUSTEE DAMBROSKI SECONDED to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m. Voting was as follows:

Ayes: Barden, Dambroski, Oakley, Pindell, Smith, Sus, Vittum

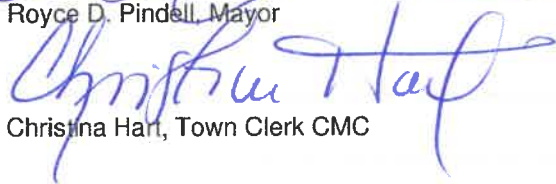
Nays: None

Royce D. Pindell, Mayor, declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

Minutes Approved:



Royce D. Pindell, Mayor



Christina Hart, Town Clerk CMC



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Contact: Christina Hart (chart@bennett.co.us 1303-644-3249 X1001) | Minutes published on 08/02/2023, adopted on 08/08/2023