

CITY OF BOULDER
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BOULDER, MONTANA 59632
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, January 16, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Giulio called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Elected officials present: Russell Giulio, Drew Dawson (by Zoom), Patricia Lewis (by Zoom), Tim Graff, and Mike Taylor

Others participating: Megan McCauley (*City Clerk*), Jack Trethewey (*Ambulance Director*), Dennis Wortman (*Public Works Director*)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes from the 12/18/2023 Council Meeting – Dawson moved, Lewis seconded, carried with 4 aye votes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Dawson made a motion to approve the agenda, Taylor seconded, carried with 4 aye votes.

REQUESTS OF ELECTED CITY OFFICIALS FOR ABSENCES EXCEEDING 10 DAYS OR PARTICIPATION BY TELECOMMUNICATION:

COMMUNICATION FOR PUBLIC RECORD (Ex parte): None.

CONSTITUENT ISSUES-REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA TO INCLUDE:

- Mayor Report – Received.
- Ambulance Report - Received.
- Fire Report – Received.
- Public Works Report – Wortman was in attendance
- City Court Report – Received.
- City Attorney Report – Received.
- Finance/Investment Report – None.
- Reports from Clerk
 - Cash/Bank Reconciliation, December 2023
 - Statement of Revenue Budget vs Actual, December 2023
 - Statement of Expenditure Budget vs Actual, December 2023
 - Utility Billing Adjustments for December 2023
 - Ambulance Write-offs & collections for December 2023

Dawson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Taylor seconded the motion and the motion carried with 4 aye votes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Planning Board:** LaDana Hintz reported the Planning Board 1/8/24 and they reviewed their RFP that will be on the agenda later tonight. Additionally, they met with Camden about East Side Park. February 5th will be their next meeting.
- **Chamber of Commerce:** Lewis reported nothing new
- **Cemetery Advisory Committee:** Lewis reported that all the paperwork is in order and they are starting to sell Columbarium spots
- **Finance/Investment Committee:** Taylor reported nothing new at this time

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Resolution 2023-15 assigning Tree Board duties to the Planning Board – Taylor moved to pass with striking the last line on the 6th whereas, Graff seconded, the motion carried with 3 aye votes and 1 nay

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Swear in Bear Taylor and Tim Graff to City Council – both were sworn in successfully.
2. Concur or not concur Mayor’s recommendation to appoint Tim Graff to be the Council representative on the Planning Board – Dawson moved to concur with the recommendation, Taylor seconded, motion carried with 3 aye votes
3. Resolution 2024-01 calling for an election on the question of conducting a local government review and establishing a study commission – Dawson moved to accept, Taylor seconded
 Dawson spoke that this is the result of the Constitutional Convention – it requires that we present to the voters every 10 years that a study commission to be created to explore the form of government of which local government operates.
 Lewis suggested that we could offer some education on this to the public so they know what they are or are not signing up for.
 Kathy Rux stated that she was on the study commission years ago and they did propose another form of government that was turned down.
 Motion carried with 4 aye votes
4. CCK Properties request for 60’ easement to be considered Legal Access to their property – Garrett Schultz was here to present what they are asking for. He presented their plan and the idea of a 60’ easement through the property of Amber Giulio. Amber Giulio and Chad Sacry are working together on this project. Using the 16 foot alleyway and the 44 foot dedicated part of that parcel to create a 60 foot easement.
 - Mayor Giulio asked if its an easement, not a dedicated right-of-way, what problems do we see in the future as far as parking goes
 - LaDana stated that the County only does easements
 - Graff said the City streets are 80 feet, if it’s only 60 feet with people parking on both sides, would it make it single lane travel
 - Giulio stated no it would be wide enough
 - LaDana asked if this was going to be maintained by the City
 - Schultz said they’ve proposed both public and private, not set in stone, but they just want the public access at this point
 - Graff requested information on the entrance
 - Schultz stated that they are going to work with the other development, Throwing Dice, that would connect the two developments to create two accesses

Taylor made the motion that CCK Properties request for the 60 foot easement to be considered a Public Legal Easement to their property, Graff seconded, the motion carried with 4 aye votes

5. Planning Board's Request for Proposal for Zoning Updates with CDBG grant – LaDana wanted to know about the subdivision regulations whether we wanted a full draft or just updates. Taylor stated we would probably just like updates and Legislative updates. LaDana stated we should correct that on the RFP.
Dawson moved to approve the RFP with the correction of updating Subdivision Regulations not create a working draft, Taylor seconded. Motion carried with 4 aye
6. Approval of City record destruction request – Taylor moved for approval of record destruction request. Dawson seconded. Motion passed with 4 aye votes.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS:

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

LaDana asked where we were at with the Bullock Subdivision stating they had 3 years but it may be coming upon that. Stated they should probably request an extension.

Taylor stated that he had multiple people reach out and say thank you to the City crew for the snow removal that they have done this year.

Mechelle asked what was happening with traffic over by Family Dollar and AYA. Giulio stated that he did call MDT and has not gotten a return call. They are trying to get a speed study done.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS: The bills were presented for payment authorization using checks #17478-17516 in the amount of \$48,364.84, and ACH payments #99747-99753 the amount of \$20,790.48 for a total of \$69,155.32. Taylor made a motion to approve the bills and payments as presented. Dawson seconded the motion and the motion carried with 4 aye votes.

COUNCIL AGENDA SUGGESTIONS TO THE MAYOR FOR THE NEXT MEETING:

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

DATE: February 20th 2024

Paul Hinton
Mayor



Attest: [Signature]
City Clerk
Accounting Assistant