



**BASALT TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES – JANUARY 8, 2019**

**Basalt is an inclusive, sustainable, mountain community that boasts both historic charm and progressive vision. It is an engaging place to live, work and play while offering an abundance of creative, professional, educational and recreational outlets.**

**6:00 PM 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The regular meeting of the Basalt Town Council was called to order at 6:02 PM on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 by Mayor Jacque Whitsitt. Council members present were Katie Schwoerer, Auden Schendler and Ryan Slack. Council members Bill Infante, Gary Tennenbaum and Jennifer Riffle were absent.

Mayor Whitsitt was not feeling well and asked Auden Schendler to chair the meeting.

**M/S COUNCILORS SCHWOERER AND SLACK THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPOINT AUDEN SCHENDLER TO CHAIR THIS EVENING'S COUNCIL MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

**2A. Minutes:** December 11, 2018

**2B. Continue Public Hearing on Basalt River Park LLC Application to January 22, 2019:**

Basalt River Park LLC on behalf of the Roaring Fork Community Development Corporation, a Colorado Non-Profit Corporation, has made an application to develop twenty-eight (28) residential units, three (3) commercial buildings which are proposed to include two (2) non-profit facilities and a food and beverage operation, and associated improvements on the property and on Town-owned property adjacent to or near property, commonly known as the Roaring Fork Community Development Corporation (CDC) Property. Development Actions include: Rezoning to the Community Serving Commercial (CSC) Zone District; CSC Sketch Plan Review; Amendments to the CSC Zone District, Sketch Plan Subdivision, ESA and ESA Reach II Floodplain Review. (James Lindt)

**M/S COUNCILORS SCHWOERER AND WHITSITT TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

**3. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**3A. Positive Comments and Gratitudes about Basalt**

**3B. At this time members of the public are invited to address the Town Council on any issue, except for items scheduled for a Public Hearing at this meeting.**

Gerry Terwilliger was present to follow up on a comment and apologize for a mis-statement he had made at the public hearing for the Basalt River Park LLC Application.

#### **4. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS**

Mayor Whitsitt noted that the Roaring Fork Club cross country ski trail had been groomed and was very nice to ski on. It was unclear who should be thanked for that grooming. Auden Schendler said the Green Team had met to discuss the use of their \$50,000 for building energy audits and implementation. They met with CORE and Holy Cross who both want to participate. One priority is to electrify the Town Hall as a model for the valley and the world. Another priority would be to find a big energy user in the public realm to do an energy audit and amass funds from Holy Cross and CORE to do a demonstration project.

Auden Schendler also thought a discussion for a future meeting might be some upgrades to the town hall. Any electrification upgrades the Green Team may do to the building would require some renovation, and maybe replacement windows could be a part of that. Auden hoped there would be council support for paint and ambiance improvements.

#### **5. MANAGER'S REPORT**

Town Manager Ryan Mahoney thanked the public works crews for their great job at snow removal this year. They've worked hard to keep roads and sidewalks clear and should be commended for that.

Ryan gave a quick update on the flood mitigation work that is moving forward. Basalt staff went out with Eagle County, Colorado Parks and Wildlife and SGM Engineering on a site visit and got some ideas on how to tackle the issue. Another piece of good news is that the Town received a grant from NRCS that covers 75% of the mitigation costs; the State stepped up and is granting the Town 50% (or \$12,500) for the local match. Staff is hoping the private property owners will get the mitigation done without any cost to them. Ryan is keeping a close eye on the project as plans develop. Despite the federal government furloughs, the Town is moving ahead with the planning and signing of the documents; there are key government personnel who continue to work toward this.

Lastly, the new Tiny Library was picked up from the Art Base. It was painted by a group of 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys and has been sealed and placed in Linear Park. Ryan Slack said he saw the library and saw people using it.

#### **6. PRESENTATIONS**

##### **6A. Quarterly Financials: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (Christy Hamrick)**

Finance Director Christy Hamrick made a presentation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financials to the Council. It had already been presented to the Basalt Finance Committee who offered good feedback and input.

#### **7. COUNCIL ACTIONS**

**7A. Public Hearing and 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2019:** An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Basalt, Colorado, Granting Special Review Site Plan, Southside Reach II ESA Floodplain, and Community Housing Approvals for the Development of a Mixed Use Project on Lot S, Basalt Business Center South PUD, Also Known as 525 Basalt Avenue, Basalt, Colorado (LAAM 525, LLC Application) (Sara Nadolny)

Glenn Rappaport, representing applicant Patrick Keelty, hoped that they would postpone their project before the Council due to the lack of council members present. The packet of information on this project is pretty large and there are some significant issues. They hoped to postpone the public hearing and ordinance for 2 weeks.

**M/S WHITSITT AND SCHWOERER THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL CONTINUE THE FIRST READING AND PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 01, SERIES OF 2019, TO JANUARY 22, 2019. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

**7B. First Reading Ordinance No. 02, Series of 2019:** An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Basalt, Colorado, Approving Water Rate Charges Pursuant to Section 13-47 of the Town Code (Ryan Mahoney)

Town Manager Ryan Mahoney noted this Ordinance modifies the Town Code to update the fee schedule for water rates. It does not increase the rates that were approved by budget in 2018.

**M/S COUNCILORS SCHWOERER AND SLACK THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 02, SERIES OF 2019 ON FIRST READING AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR JANUARY 22, 2019. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

**7C. First Reading of Ordinance No. 03, Series of 2019:** An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Basalt, Colorado, Amending Chapter 11, Article III (Excavations) of the Municipal Code to Enact an Additional Condition that may be Imposed on the Work Performed Under a Street Excavation Permit in Order to Promote Deployment of Telecommunication Resources (One-Dig) (Ryan Mahoney)

Town Manager Ryan Mahoney explained that this action also included a Resolution (Item 7D on the Agenda) that authorizes us to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Cedar Networks that would establish our relationship related to the installation of conduit whenever there is an open trench, to ultimately create a fiber optic network in town.

The Ordinance creates a Code change that when someone gets a street cut permit in or near our right of way, we can demand they install the same pipe.

Jeff Conklin recommended approval on first reading of the ordinance, with the Resolution being continued to the next meeting for concurrent approval of these 2 related documents.

**M/S COUNCILORS SLACK AND WHITSITT THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2019 ON FIRST READING AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR JANUARY 22, 2019. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

**7D. Resolution No. 01, Series of 2019:** A Resolution of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado, Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Cedar Networks Concerning the Donation and Installation of Shadow Conduit (Ryan Mahoney)

**M/S COUNCILORS SLACK AND WHITSITT TO CONTINUE THE RESOLUTION NO. 1, SERIES OF 2019 TO JANUARY 22, 2019. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

**7E. Committees Review** (Ryan Mahoney)

Town Manager Ryan Mahoney offered some background on this item and how council might proceed. Ryan discussed the Charter requirements for committees. He created a spreadsheet of the various board and commissions containing each group’s mission statement, how and why the committee was formed, projects, priorities and tasks, membership composition, meetings, appointment timing, and more. Ryan spoke of standardizing aspects of each committee or board. Council had previously expressed a desire to sit with each committee to have a roundtable discussion and discuss their work plans, priorities, projects, etc. Some groups may not need to be continued or may need to be modified and passed to another group. The first group to meet with council is the POST group, likely to be scheduled at a special meeting on January 23, 2019.

Council direction was to hear from the committees while simultaneously working on the bringing them before council and standardizing each.

**8. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE**

- 8A. Accounts Payable
- 8B. Advanced Agendas
- 8C. Correspondence
- 8D. Update Sales Tax – November 2019

**9. ADJOURN**

**M/S COUNCILKORS SLACK AND SCHWOERER TO ADJOURN THE COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 PM. THE MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

The minutes of this January 8, 2019 meeting were read and approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2019.

**BASALT TOWN COUNCIL:**

By:   
Jacque Whitsitt, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Pamela Schilling, Town Clerk



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