



101 Midland Avenue, Basalt, CO 81621

**Meeting Date: May 10, 2016**  
**Location: Town Council Chambers**

**Time: 5:30 p.m.**

### **TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

#### **Worksession: Basalt Finances**

##### **1. Call to Order (Mayor Whitsitt)**

The regular meeting of the Basalt Town Council was called to order at 6:12 PM on Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

##### **2. Roll Call (Pam Schilling)**

Council members present were Gary Tennenbaum, Mark Kittle, Bernie Grauer, Katie Schwoerer, Auden Schendler and Jennifer Riffle.

##### **3. Council Acknowledgements**

**3A.** Police Chief Greg Knott for Contributions to the Glenwood Springs Youth Hockey Association

##### **4. Consent Agenda (Mayor Whitsitt)**

**4A. Minutes:** 4Ai. April, 26, 2016; 4Aii. April 27, 2016

**4B. Special Event Activity Permit:** Motors on Midland

**4C. Resolution No. 17, Series of 2016:** Resolution of the Town Council of Basalt Colorado, Granting Approval for a Sunday Market on Midland Spur and Lions Park in Downtown Basalt

**4D. Resolution No. 18, Series of 2016:** Resolution of the Town Council of Basalt Colorado, Approving Use of the Willits Rugby/Soccer Field for a For-Profit Fitness Class

**M/S COUNCILORS SCHWOERER AND GRAUER THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 4A THROUGH 4C AS PUBLISHED. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

Council discussed item 4D separately as it dealt with for-profit use of a public park.

**M/S COUNCILORS GRAUER AND RIFFLE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION 18, SERIES OF 2016, AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

**5. Council and Manager Comments, Reports, Disclosures**

Auden Schendler said he had some quick and easy wins for the community:

- Open the alley between the Alpine Bank and the Aspenalt property creating a path to the river.
- Look at zoning a trail in town as “Fairy and Gnome” as had been done in Harpswell, Maine. The Cliff Trail in Maine allows children to build fairy and gnome houses using natural materials, costing little and getting kids into open space.
- Auden said he didn’t like the shape of the room as it could make audience or applicants feel as supplicants to the Council. A round table design was discussed, but there were concerns about council members having their backs to the public.

Gary Tennenbaum noted the new Mountain Bike Trail – Buckhorn Trail – from Rock Bottom Ranch to the Crown that is now completed with the steep section removed. Gary wanted to give a ‘shout out’ to the Roaring Fork Mountain Bike Association and Mid Valley Trails for their work on this.

Jennifer Riffle said she met with Eagle County Commissioner Jill Ryan last week and they shared an excitement for working together on environmental and economic sustainability issues. Jenn also requested that all documentation be included in the packet prior to the meeting allowing Council time to review; if documentation was not in the packet, the item should be pulled from the agenda.

Bernie Grauer noticed assignments to committees had been made while he was gone. Bernie said he would be happy to serve as an alternate to the mayor on the RFTA committee. Bernie asked that at the next worksession, Council discuss developing a unified policy for Basalt’s Affordable Housing program feeling it was important for public trust and transparency; and to ask Council to give direction to staff on the allocation of affordable housing units until a uniform public policy is in place.

Katie Schwoerer asked general questions about the Accounts Payable.

**5A. Manager’s Report**

Basalt Education Foundation and the Art Base were the beneficiaries of the Roaring Fork Charity Golf Classic with net proceeds of around \$35,000 being split between the two organizations. Basalt Education Foundation is giving out \$15,000 in scholarships to 8 individuals this evening; that has grown from \$3,000 just 4 years ago. A lot of work has been done by the committee of 18 individuals on the Basalt Education Foundation Board which has raised almost \$400,000 over the last 5 years, 95% of which goes back into the schools or for scholarships.

**6. Citizen Comments:** for Items Not on the Agenda and Items Added to the Agenda After the Deadline

Heather Kent read a statement regarding a dispute concerning the alleyway behind Two Rivers Café.

**7. ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

**7A. Discussion:** Check in Our Town Planning Process

Susan Philip, Mike Scanlon, Dylan Johns of P&Z Commission and Laura Kirk of DHM were present for this discussion.

**7B. Approval of Contract with Old Castle SW Group, Inc., dba United Companies, for the Construction of SH-82 Basalt Pedestrian Underpass Project**

Town Manager Mike Scanlon and Town Engineer Louis Meyer were present for this discussion.

**M/S COUNCILORS TENNENBAUM AND GRAUER THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH THE OLD CASTLE SW GROUP, INC., DBA UNITED COMPANIES, WITH THE AMENDING LANGUAGE TO SECTION 4.6 (PAGE 3) OF THE CONTRACT, PROPOSED BY TOWN ATTORNEY TOM SMITH.**

**8. RESOLUTIONS**

**8A. Resolution No. 19, Series of 2016:** A Resolution of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado, Informing Clean Energy Collective (CEC) That the Town is not Pursuing the Purchase of Solar Panels

**M/S COUNCILORS SCHENDLER AND RIFFLE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 19, SERIES OF 2016. THE MOTION CARRIED 6-1 WITH COUNCIL MEMBER KITTLE OPPOSED.**

**8B. Resolution No. 20, Series of 2016: A Resolution of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado,** Directing the Town Manager to Draft a letter of Support for the Roaring Fork Apartments Tax Credit Application and Supporting Contribution of \$175,000 for the Construction of the Roaring Fork Apartments Affordable Housing Project

Real America representatives Ronda Shrewsbury Weybright and Jeff Ryan were present to address this item with council this evening.

Mayor Whitsitt opened the public hearing this on this item at 7:50 PM. Cathy Click, Chair of the BACH (Basalt Affordable Community Housing) was present noting that BACH submitted a letter in support of this project and the members of BACH were enthusiastic in moving forward with the zoning and the \$175,000 contribution.

Former Mayor and Councilman Rick Stevens submitted a letter in support allocating \$175,000 in fee reductions to Real America for the purpose of gaining funding to move the project forward.

There were no further public comments and the hearing was closed at 7:53 PM.

**M/S COUNCILORS TENNENBAUM AND KITTLE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 20, SERIES OF 2016 AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

**9. FIRST READINGS OF ORDINANCES:**

**9A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 13, Series 2016:** An Ordinance of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado, Approving a one-year extension on the document recordation deadline and a corresponding extension of vested property rights for the Roaring Fork Apartments.

**M/S COUNCILORS KITTLE AND TENNENBAUM THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 13, SERIES OF 2016, ON FIRST READING, AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR MAY 24, 2016. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

**10. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE:**

**NO ACTION REQUIRED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL**

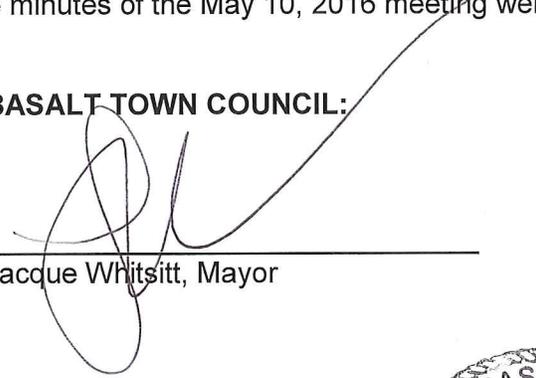
- A. Accounts Payable
- B. Advanced Agendas
- C. Correspondence to the Town

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

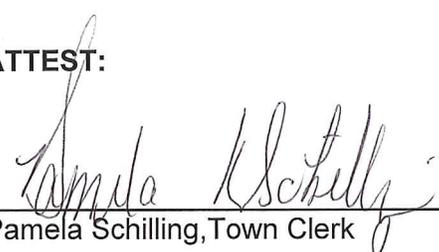
**M/S COUNCILORS KITTLE AND TENNENBAUM TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:08 PM.**

The minutes of the May 10, 2016 meeting were read and approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

**BASALT TOWN COUNCIL:**

By:   
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 Jacquie Whitsitt, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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 Pamela Schilling, Town Clerk

