

**BASALT**

101 Midland Avenue, Basalt, CO 81621

Meeting Date: July 12, 2016
Location: Town Council Chambers

Time: 6:00 p.m.

5:00 Worksession: TOB Council and POST to review estimated costs for Basalt Riverfront Park and Discuss next steps

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**6:30 1. Call to Order (Mayor Whitsitt)**

Mayor Jacque Whitsitt called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

6:31 2. Roll Call (Pam Schilling)

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

6:32 3. Consent Agenda (Mayor Whitsitt)

3A. Minutes: June 28, 2016

M/S COUNCILORS KITTLE AND SCHENDLER THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PUBLISHED. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

3 4. Council Comments, Reports, Disclosures**4A. Council Comments**

Jacque Whitsitt noted she meets with Charlie Spickert, Chair of the Basalt Chamber every week for an update on what each is working on. Charlie and Jacque also met with Genna Moe of the Art Base and Cathy Click of the Basalt Downtown Business Association to discuss partnership opportunities.

Jennifer Riffle noted the Aspen Valley Marathon and Lemonade Day were coming up on July 16 from 9 am to 1 pm. The Eagle County Down Payment Loan Assistance Program would make a presentation to mortgage lenders, home buyers, and the general public at Town Hall on Wednesday, July 13 from 8:30 to 9:30 am. Jenn offered kudos to Bernie Grauer for manning the Basalt booth at the Sunday market and encouraged other council members to sign up. Jenn gave a shout out to Robin Waters and the Basalt Chamber for their Movie in the Park night which was a big success. Jenn noted that accessibility to Lions Park was needed with a ramp

and boardwalk down to the grassy area, not just the sidewalk periphery. Jenn said Fire Chief Scott Thompson had replied to an email she sent to him requesting information on Fire Department staffing and the joint nature of the Wildcat Fire and Basalt Fire departments. Jennifer said she met with Genna Moe on the future of the Art Base where they discussed possible expansion of the Art Base building, and a possible phased approach to achieving mutual goals. Jenna thanked Susan Philp, James Lindt and Market Manager Jimmy Dula for their help and set up for the Sunday Market of July 3, and to Susan for standing in at the booth for an hour.

Katie Schwoerer said she had met in late June with Eagle Commissioner Jill Ryan to discuss mutual interests of the Roaring Fork portion of Eagle County.

Bernie said he was at the recent Sunday Market and wanted to commend Shae Singer who brought in a bunch of new vendors for the Basalt Goes Bazaar event adding more vitality and people to the market. Bernie said he would ask the chainsaw carver to leave his power tools in the shop next time. Bernie suggested that Committee reports be added as a regular item to the agenda.

Bernie Grauer gave a brief Finance Committee report to the Council. He noted that the August 2 meeting of the Committee would be held at 5 pm and they would discuss the financial history and how we got here and how we can increase the cash reserves. The Finance Committee also wanted to advertise to add one or two citizen members with financial experience or background to the Committee.

Gary Tennenbaum said Brian Buell came in and asked us to do a bike park over by south side. Brian took a lot of initiative and worked with Pitkin Open Space and trails and the bike park looks awesome right now. There is a shade structure out there, and the bike park was revamped by a citizen driven initiative. Gary gave a shout out to Brian who made that happen.

4B. Town Manager's Report

Mike Scanlon reported that the most significant thing was the Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) that had been completed. If there are no protests or complaints, the LOMR becomes effective 90 days November 25, 2016. This is good news for southside businesses as it will lower their flood insurance premium.

4C. Gnome Village

Auden Schendler reported that one goal of council was to get some things done quickly. One thing he wanted to do was to create a Fairy and Gnome Home Zoning District. Auden introduced Elias Schendler and Zealand Lane who were present to discuss the matter with Council. Town Manager Mike Scanlon introduced Chief Gnome Boyd Bierbaum and explained the concept of Fairy and Gnome Home Zoning. Three sites have been identified as possible zoning locations where kids can go to develop gnome and fairy homes using only natural items found in the vicinity.

Elias Schendler and Zealand Lane discussed their interest in gnomes, and the importance of gnomes to nature and the community.

A motion was made that the Fairy and Gnome Home Zoning project go forward; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Citizen Comments:

- Mark Kwiecienski discussed the holiday/Christmas tree lighting and menorah celebrations.
- Bill Maron asked that the discussion for the potential expansion of the zones in which marijuana could be sold include discussion of mental health issues .

6. ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

6A. Basalt Mini-Storage Expansion: Application Introduction (James Lindt)

Assistant Planning Director James Lindt introduced applicant representatives Clay Crossland and Jeff Orsulak who made in presentation in favor of expanding the Basalt Mini Storage facility to 820,000 sf. There was no council action on this item at this time.

7. RESOLUTIONS

7A. Resolution No. 27, Series of 2016: Direction to Staff related to expansion of zoning districts where marijuana could be sold and to consider the Town’s four license locations to be either retail or medical

Town Manager Mike Scanlon offered a history of marijuana in Basalt.

M/S COUNCILOR GRAUER AND KITTLE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO 27, SERIES OF 2016. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-2 WITH COUNCILORS RIFFLE AND SCHWOERER OPPOSED

8. FIRST READINGS OF ORDINANCES:

8A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 15, Series 2016: An Ordinance of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado: Approving Revised Plans for the Roaring Fork Conservancy’s Proposed River Center and Old Pond Park (Susan Philp)

Planning Director Susan Philp introduced the project and noted that the Roaring Fork Conservancy and the Town of Basalt are co-applicants on the project.

Applicant representatives who were present were introduced: Don Schuster, Rick Lofaro, Jim Light, Larry Yaw of the Conservancy, Matt Armentrout of Harry Teague Architects, Rob Morey owners rep and project manager.

M/S COUNCILORS TENNENBAUM AND KITTLE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 15, SERIES OF 2016 ON FIRST READING AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR JULY 26, 2016. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

8B. First Reading of Ordinance No. 16, Series 2016: An Ordinance of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado: Approving a Minor PUD Amendment to Add Kitchens to Ten (10) of the Roaring Fork Club Suites, Lot 2, Block 1, Roaring Fork Club PUD (James Lindt)

Assistant Planning Director James Lindt led the discussion and introduced Vesela Mihaylova, Director of the Cabin Corporation of the Roaring Fork Club.

M/S COUNCILORS TENNENBAUM AND RIFFLE TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 16, SERIES OF 2016, WITH AN AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE THE FULL PARKLAND DEDICATION FEE, AND TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR JULY 26, 2016. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

8C. First Reading of Ordinance No. 17, Series 2016: An Ordinance of the Town Council of Basalt, Colorado: Amending the Town’s Community Housing Guidelines to Change the Composition of the Special Housing Evaluation Committee (SHEC) (James Lindt)

M/S COUNCILORS KITTLE AND RIFFLE THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 17, SERIES OF 2016 ON FIRST READING, AND SET THE PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING FOR JULY 26, 2016.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Executive Session was deemed unnecessary. Town Manager Mike Scanlon discussed where the Town was in terms of the park, costs for park improvements, methodology to calculate costs on a square foot basis, and next steps. Council will meet to discuss the park further on Monday, July 18, at 6 pm.

10. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE:
NO ACTION REQUIRED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

- a. Accounts Payable
- b. Advanced Agendas

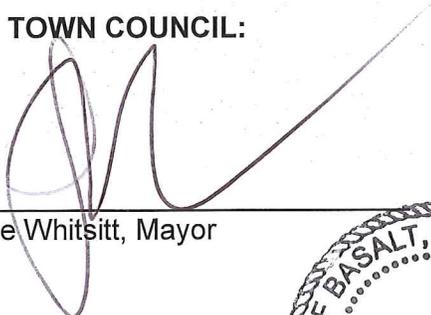
11. ADJOURNMENT

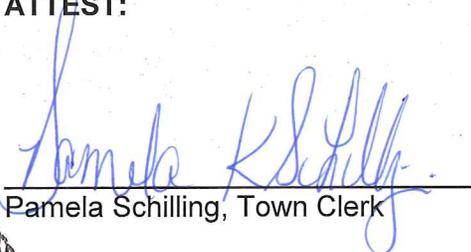
M/S COUNCILORS KITTLE AND SCHENDLER THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:04 PM. THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

The minutes of the July 12, 2016 meeting were read and approved this 26th day of July, 2016.

BASALT TOWN COUNCIL:

ATTEST:

By: 
Jacque Whitsitt, Mayor


Pamela Schilling, Town Clerk

