



101 Midland Avenue, Basalt, CO 81621

**Meeting Date: Tuesday, August 2, 2016**

**Location: Town Council Chambers**

**BASALT TOWN COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

The special meeting of the Basalt Town Council was called to order by Mayor Jacque Whitsitt at 6:20 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

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

**3. Prioritization, Funding and Ballot Language for Land Purchase and Park Improvements related to the Basalt River Park**

Town Manager Mike Scanlon said one issue revisited was the acquisition of the land; part of it is a private development piece and part of it is a park piece. Mike proposed that he and Bruce Kimmel could start working on an acquisition of the property as one parcel with use of COP or Certificates of Participation, allowing council to decide on how the development parcel works.

On the ballot issue language, Katie Schwoerer requested, in addition to the required form of language for this type of TABOR issue, there also be a common English version that everyone could easily understand.

Council requested a table of property taxes, and a nuanced full design, broken out costs of 3C (handout) including the terraced seating; and within that, which ones go together well – such as waterline improvements and children's water park.

Mike reminded Council that staff had also adjusted the POST sales tax dollars to create more maintenance dollars; this would be an additional question posed at the election. Jenn Riffle also asked for costs to grass cover the development parcel in the event nothing is built for a few years. An updated timeline was discussed with possible agenda discussion items, as was the phasing and construction schedule. A schedule of public informational open houses was proposed.

Bernie Grauer made a Finance Committee report to Council with directions to staff:

Bernie Grauer reported that Finance Committee at their meeting earlier this evening, had voted unanimously to recommend to Council that they terminate the predevelopment agreement with TACAW as of its August 9 meeting.

The Finance Committee requested Town staff to prepare a Council resolution, preparing the predevelopment agreement with TACAW as per section 4.J for the August 9 agenda.

The Finance Committee requests of the Council that it direct staff to make no reimbursements of TACAW expenses until August 9 and make no new expenditures be made by the Town on their behalf, and place on hold any contracts.

The Finance Committee requests staff place on hold any City contracts or expenses relating to TACAW until August 9. The Finance Committee requests that the Town Council direct the Town Attorney to advise them in Executive Session on August 9 of any legal ramifications of the termination.

Bernie Grauer asked if Council supported these recommendations. Tom Smith advised that the issues could be dealt with on August 9.

Mayor Whatsitt asked that the August 9 packet contain information to fully inform the Council of the issues so they are able to vote on the items on August 9.

Mike Scanlon explained the reason the Executive Session was set was for the acquisition in land in terms of laying out the financing of the property and was no longer needed.

**M/S COUNCILORS KITTLE AND GRAUER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:16 PM. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

August 2, 2016 Special Meeting were read and approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2016.

**BASALT TOWN COUNCIL:**

**ATTEST:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jacque Whatsitt, Mayor

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Pamela Schilling, Town Clerk

