



**BASALT TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 22, 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.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The regular meeting of the Basalt Town Council was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Jacque Whitsitt. Council members present were Gary Tennenbaum, Bill Infante, Ryan Slack, and Katie Schwoerer. Council member Jennifer Riffle arrived a couple minutes into the meeting and Council member Auden Schendler was absent.

2. CONSENT AGENDA:

2A. Minutes: October 8, 2019

M/S COUNCILORS SCHWOERER AND SLACK TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 8, 2019 MEETING AS APPROVED. THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Council member Jennifer Riffle arrived at this time.

2B. Resolution No. 40, Series of 2019 - Supporting Ballot issue 3A

Town Attorney Jeff Conklin explained the Resolution in support of Ballot Issue 3A – which would set the Town's general operating mill levy at its present rate. The Fair Campaign Practices Act authorizes jurisdictions to pass resolutions in support of ballot issues such as this which is why its appearing on the agenda. It's an opportunity for the Council to show support of Issue 3A. Gary Tennenbaum read the title of Resolution No. 40, 2019.

M/S COUNCILORS SLACK AND TENNENBAUM THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 40, SERIES OF 2019 AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

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.

There were no public comments this evening.

4. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Ryan Slack confirmed noted the Aquatic Nuisance Species caught 6 boats this year at Ruedi; a program Basalt supports. Ryan also offered kudos to Eagle County for adjusting their child care funding to make it equitable for both sides of the valley and making awesome strides in supporting our local child care facilities in new unique ways with retention bonuses and other incentives.

Jennifer Riffle thanked Governor Polis for coming up to visit the Basalt Vista Housing project to highlight what we're doing here.

Gary Tennenbaum thanked Ryan Slack for stepping up on the Child Care Coalition; it's been difficult for Gary to make those meeting and Ryan has stepped up and it is much appreciated.

Bill Infante noted an upcoming after-action Climate Action event at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 23 at the Third Street Center in Carbondale hosted by CLEER (Clean Energy Economy for the Region) and CORE (Colorado Office for Resource Efficiency). Jon Fox-Rubin will be moderating about climate initiatives in valley communities and discussing citizen responsibility and opportunities for citizen engagement.

5. MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager Ryan Mahoney was absent; there were no manager comments this evening.

6. PRESENTATIONS:

6A. BPAC (Basalt Public Arts Commission) 2020 Work Plan and Budget

Staff Planner Watkins Fulk-Gray and Jeff Orsulak were joined by Missy Hagen for a discussion of the BPAC's preliminary 2020 Work Plan and Budget.

Council members engaged with questions and how funding recipients would report the use of their funds and when those reports are due. The dates of reporting may be an issue added to an agenda for full council consideration later in the year. Discussion was also held on who would be serving on the BPAC Board this year. BPAC still meets on the 1st Thursday of each month and would welcome Council member attendance.

Bill Infante had some questions from sculptors asking why there wasn't greater integration of the River Master Plan developed area with the prospect of placing sculpture there? Bill asked if BPAC could take a look before the River Master Plan were put to bed and see what they think in regard to sculpture placement.

7. COUNCIL ACTIONS:

7A. Appointment to Basalt Financial Advisory Board

Finance Director Christy Hamrick said the newest recommendation is for appointment of Simon Dogbe to the Basalt Finance Advisory Board. Christy outlined Simon's interest on the Board.

M/S COUNCILOR RIFFLE AND SCHWOERER THAT TOWN COUNCIL APPOINT SIMON DOGBE TO THE BASALT FINANCIAL ADVISORY BOARD. THE MOTION CARRIED 6-0.

Bill Infante suggested it would be nice to have applicants show up the Town Council meetings to give Council an opportunity to meet them and give Council an opportunity to thank them for their service to the community.

Council discussed the attendance of appointees at Council meetings; general consensus was to invite appointees, but not require them, to appear.

BI – with appts to any committee, it would be nice to have the people show up to the town

8. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE:

8A. Accounts Payable

8B. Advanced Agendas

8C. Vale Board meeting Minutes for October 15, 2019

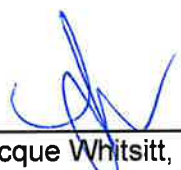
9. MOTION TO ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 pm.

The minutes of this October 22, 2019 meeting were read and approved this 12th day of November, 2019.

BASALT TOWN COUNCIL:

ATTEST:

By: 
Jacque Whitsitt, Mayor




Pamela Schilling, Town Clerk

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<https://townofbasalt.ompnetwork.org/sessions/117149?embedInPoint=1&embedOutPoint=1872&shareMethod=link>