

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF CASTLE VALLEY
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2008 – 6:30 P.M.
CASTLE VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
2 CASTLE VALLEY DRIVE

Town Council Members Present: Damian Bollermann, Jim Lindheim, Ranna Bieschke, Valli Smouse, Aaron Davies.

Others Present: Jack Campbell, Sheri Simmons, Faylene Roth, Bruce Keeler, Joan Sangree, Dave Erley, Laura Cameron, Jeff Fink, Ron Drake, Jim Tharp.

1. Call to Order: 6:31 P.M.
2. Open Public Comment.

Jack Campbell stated that because the POA has contributed approximately \$70,000 over the last 10 years, primarily in road work; the Town budget did not reflect these extra contributions to the community.

Approval of Minutes:

3. Approval of Minutes: October 22, 2008 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of the Town Council.

Jim motioned to approve the Minutes as amended. Ranna seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna and Aaron all approved the Motion. Valli abstained. The Motion passed with four in favor, one abstained.

4. Approval of Minutes: November 13, 2008 Special Meeting of the Town Council.

Valli motioned to approve the Minutes as presented. Aaron seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. Ranna abstained. The Motion passed with four in favor, one abstained.

Valli motioned to suspend the order of business to allow Bruce Keeler to make his presentation (shown as Item 6. below). Jim seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. Ranna opposed the Motion. The Motion passed with four in favor and one opposed.

6. Discussion and Possible Action re: Presentation by Bruce Keeler Regarding a Scenic By-way Designation for Highway 128.

Bruce made a presentation during which he mentioned that Randy Jorgen had done an excellent job in preparing his recommended Grand County Scenic By-Ways Corridor Management Plan. Bruce and the Scenic By-Way Committee then pared down the original

150 page document to a document of approximately 100 pages. However, the version that the Travel Council presented to the County Council took out much, if not all, of the public comment section.

Bruce recommended that the Town Council contact the County Council to make comments on what they feel the document does/does not represent. The public hearing on this document is scheduled for December 2, 2008.

5. Reports:

. Roads (Damian Bollermann and the Road Committee)

The Town now owns a dump truck, which we purchased from Jim Keogh. That, combined with our front loader, means that we can move material around to improve road surface conditions in a number of places.

We are accepting delivery of our tractor and boom mower at 6:30 A.M. tomorrow. Damian and Mark Roth will be on hand to handle the unloading from the semi trailer.

Ranna mentioned that she would like to see the hiring process for the Roads Manager position accelerated. To accomplish this Aaron suggested that we advertise the open position.

. PLUC (Mary Beth Fitzburgh)

Mary Beth had presented a comprehensive report for inclusion in the Red Books. There was only one brief question for clarification regarding culinary water tanks.

6. Covered before 5. above.

7. Discussion and Possible Action re: Sign for the Castle Valley Community Center.

After some discussion, it was decided not to pursue this.

8. Discussion and Possible Action re: Appointments for the Road Committee.

Jim motioned to appoint Joan Sangree and Valli Smouse to the Road Committee. Aaron seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna and Aaron all approved the Motion. Valli abstained. The Motion passed with four in favor, one abstained.

Greg Halliday submitted his Letter of Interest for the Road Committee at the meeting. Jim motioned to appoint Greg to the Road Committee with the stipulation that as long as he is a candidate for the Road Manager position, he cannot participate in that hiring process. Also, if he is selected as the Road Manager he must resign from the Road Committee. Aaron

seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion and Possible Action re: Mayor's Compensation.

Damian commented that now that the workload of this position has decreased, he felt that perhaps the salary should be reduced. Jim commented that the overall responsibility of the office has not changed from what he can see, and he feels that there is no problem with the compensation.

Ranna mentioned that she feels the compensation may help to attract qualified individuals to run for this office.

There was no Motion to repeal Ordinance 2007 – 8. Valli commented that, should Damian not want the salary, he is free to refuse it or to put it back into the community in any way he desires.

10. Discussion and Possible Action re: BLM Oil and Gas Lease Sale December 19, 2008.

The deadline for taking action is December 3, 2008. The Moab City Council is sending the BLM a letter which, loosely phrased, talks about being a good neighbor, etc. Dave Sakrison is still working on the letter from Moab City.

The Castle Valley Town Council feels that this is an important matter to the citizens of Castle Valley. After some discussion, it was decided that the Town Council will submit a letter expressing our concerns to the BLM based on the letters that the County and Moab City will be sending.

11. Discussion and Possible Action re: New Year's Fireworks' Funding.

Damian stated that he had spoken to Rick Fulham and that Rick is unsure as to whether or not there will be fireworks this year due to the fact that they have not been receiving enough private donations the last few years.

Jim motioned that, if the fireworks do happen, the Town should be prepared to contribute \$500.00. Valli seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

12. Discussion and Possible Action re: Placer Creek Flooding.

Damian said that he had a conversation with Norm Evansted of NRCS, and the situation does not look promising for us because his preliminary report is considering a project that would require matching funding from local sources of \$150,000.

NRCS will want an engineering firm to design and manage the project and write a report at the end of the project.

Damian stated that, if this project goes forward (with the Town as the sponsor), it is clear that we will need some grant or loan money, and that CIB is likely our best source for that.

The next step in getting the CIB funds is securing bids from engineering firms for a drainage study. Damian and Valli will work together on locating engineering firms.

As the project moves forward, Jim will become involved with the County.

13. Discussion and Possible Action re: Appointments to the Board of Adjustments.

Damian nominated Rob Soldat to another term on the Board of Adjustments. Jim motioned to accept the nomination. Aaron seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

This leaves one position still available on the Board of Adjustments, and all agreed that it should preferably be someone with land use experience.

14. Discussion and Possible Action re: Firewise Information on the Town Website.

Aaron is still working with the Fire Department to gather information for the website.

15. Payment of Bills.

Jim motioned to approve the bills as presented, with the exception of the Labor Law Posters. Ranna seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

16. Executive Session (if needed).

None needed.

Ranna motioned to adjourn. Aaron seconded the Motion. Damian, Jim, Ranna, Valli and Aaron all approved the Motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: 8:37 P.M.

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Damian Bollermann, Mayor

Denise Lucas, Town Clerk