



MEETING MINUTES
Town Council
Tuesday, October 10, 2023
Public Meeting Room / Eagle Town Hall
200 Broadway Eagle, CO

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ACCESS INFORMATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. This was an in-person meeting using Teams.

CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 PM

Mayor Turnipseed called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Mikel Kerst, Scott Turnipseed, Ellen Bodenhemier,
Geoffrey Grimmer, Nick Sunday, Jamie Woodworth Foral
(virtual), Sarah Parrish

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Larry Pardee, Town Manager
Melissa Daruna, Assistant Town Manager
Matt Mire, Town Attorney
Kelly Huitt, Senior Accountant
Chad Phillips, Comm Dev Director/Town Planner
Tom Gosiorowski, Public Works Director
Derek Bos, Police Chief
Lynette Horan, HR Manager
Denise Cardoza – Community Development Admin

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

MOTION: Council Member Kerst motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Kerst, Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Parrish, and Woodworth Foral) and 0 opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Turnipseed reviewed Public Comment etiquette for attendees.

Phill Letaille - 228 Broadway – requested additional parking for local business owners by utilizing the Town of Eagle's Parking lot after business hours. Commented on selective enforcement. Requested that the church not be able to park in the Town Hall parking lot if no other businesses can.

Joanne Rock - Nogal Rd. - requested additional maintenance on Nogal Rd to address the potholes in the street. Commented on the needed maintenance at the community park, picnic tables, pavilion, and adjacent bike path. Voiced concern about a fire hazard in dry grass-filled areas. Voiced concerns over the entrance to Nogal Rd and would like to know which studies were conducted to support the location of that entrance. Expressed concern over ADA parking in her privately owned apartment complex. Expressed disapproval over the artwork displayed at the roundabout by Alpine Lumber.

Kate Sheldon - E Haystack Drive – expressed concern over the stability of the Elk herd in the area and requested a winter closure on Haymaker and voiced concerns over incorrect information being circulated.

Tom Olden - 1864 Eagle Ranch Rd. – inquired about a conflict of Interest on the open space committee. Vail Valley Mountain Trails Coalition received money that affected open space and is concerned over this crossover. Would like additional guidance on this from the Council.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Special Olympics Polar Plunge, Derek Bos

Council comments: Thanked the PD for their participation in this event.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Kerst motioned to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Kerst, Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Parrish, and Woodworth Foral) and 0 opposed.

1. Minutes - September 26, 2023
2. Bill pay – September 2023

STAFF REPORTS

1. Town Manager Update

Thanked everyone who assisted 3rd Graders who toured Town Hall. Provided an update on the culture study

Council Member Grimmer – with regard to the Vision, Mission, and Values – expressed the need to reclassify the “leadership” portion and possibly move it to another section.

Council Member Bodenheimer – reviewed the time frame of the retreat to be earlier in the year.

Mayor Turnipseed - noted that February may be a better date for the retreat next year.

2. Department Update for September Activities

Council Member Bodenheimer – complimented Molly Furtado on the Life Jacket Library at the Eagle River Park. Noted approval of the crosswalk on Brush Creek Rd. and commented on the need for the crosswalk on 3rd and Capital to be repainted. Noted a recent law in NY City passed regarding STR and Airbnb being held accountable for taxes.

Council Member Parrish – commented on Airbnb’s response regarding the lodging tax. However, the stated tax they charge on rentals is not being shared with the Town. Kelly Huitt – responded to the council regarding current software monitoring STRs.

LIQUOR LICENSE AUTHORITY

1. PUBLIC HEARING: Application for a New Lodging & Entertainment License: Aimbridge Hospitality LLC dba Best Western Plus Eagle Lodge & Suites

MOTION: Council Member Kerst motioned to approve the Application for a New Lodging & Entertainment License for Aimbridge Hospitality LLC dba Best Western Plus Eagle Lodge & Suites. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Kerst, Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Parrish, and Woodworth Foral) and 0 opposed.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Eby Creek Apartments Sidewalk Project Funding Request

Council comments: discussion with Rick Patriacca on the sidewalk on Eby Creek Road. Applicant and staff provided information about the unanticipated increased costs of the sidewalk and guardrail per CDOT specifications. Council discussion on investment in the sidewalk as a public benefit. The council requested an update on the finalization of the project and requested the applicant to return with an updated total amount.

2. E-Bike Regulations and Education

Chief Bos presented this item.

Council comments: discussion on partnerships with the schools, Vail Health, and budgeting for education and safety items. Request for clarification on dismount zones, bike lanes, issues with State law definitions, helmet requirements for those under 18, speed limits, enforcement, and restrictions for e-bikes on town open space. Staff will schedule an online survey, and public sessions seeking feedback and bring back an Ordinance for council approval.

3. PUBLIC HEARING: File #DR23-04 Major Development Permit for 263 Sawatch Rd (Request to continue)

Mayor Turnipseed opened the public hearing for File #DR23-04 Major Development Permit for 263 Sawatch Rd.

MOTION: Council Member Grimmer motioned to continue File #DR23-04 Major Development Permit for 263 Sawatch Rd. until November 14, 2023. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Kerst, Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Parrish, and Woodworth Foral) and 0 opposed.

4. PUBLIC HEARING: 2024 Budget Presentation

Council comments: discussion on the unassigned general fund balance at 23.79%, approved general fund transfer to capital improvement fund in the amounts requested, approved the DDA funding in the amount of \$20K. Discussion on rapid blocks and DBA Christmas on Broadway funding through MEAC.

a. Broadband Strategic Plan Update – Melissa Daruna Assistant Town Manager presented this item.

Council comments: discussion on out-of-town rate adjustments for service, discussion on fiber vs wireless, partnerships with other communities should be pursued, concerns about speeds, and billing issues.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Future Agenda Items
2. Council Committee Updates

Mayor Turnipseed - commended Officer Heil for the Medal of Honor she received at the First Responders event and shared his experience along with Council Member Bodenheimier.

Council Member Bodenheimier - updated on OSRAC that the consultant reviewing community surveys wants to ensure that comments all are being reviewed.

Council Member Grimmer – noted that the Colorado Municipal League is in opposition to Proposition HH.

Council Member Woodworth Foral – is interested in the wildlife signage and further discussion on a potential stop sign at Ouzel Lane and Brush Creek Road and adding a speed limit.

Council Member Sunday – EVTA is discussing the environmental impact and increased ridership for free fares, they will try to add buses to the busiest routes. Rates will go down to help increase ridership.

Council Member Bodenheimier – OSRAC is concerned with CPW and possible conflict regarding numbers.

MOTION: Council Member Parrish motioned to cancel the November 28 and December 26, 2023, regular Town Council meetings. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Kerst, Turnipseed, Bodenheimier, Grimmer, Sunday, Parrish, and Woodworth Foral) and 0 opposed.

ADJOURN – 8:10 PM

MOTION: Council Member Mikel Kerst motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 7 in favor (Kerst, Turnipseed, Bodenheimier, Grimmer, Sunday, Parrish, and Woodworth Foral) and 0 opposed.

Date:

Scott Turnipseed, Mayor

Jenny Rakow, CMC Town Clerk

