



MEETING MINUTES
Town Council
Tuesday, January 14, 2025
Public Meeting Room / Eagle Town Hall
200 Broadway Eagle, CO

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TOWN COUNCIL MEETING ACCESS INFORMATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION *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

Scott Turnipseed, Ellen Bodenhemier, Geoffrey
Grimmer, Nick Sunday, Jamie Woodworth Foral, Bryan
Woods

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

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STAFF PRESENT

Larry Pardee, Town Manager
Melissa Daruna, Assistant Town Manager
Ruthanne H. Goff, Town Attorney
Jenny Rakow, Town Clerk
Jill Kane, Finance Director/Treasurer
Carrie Buhlman, Police Chief
Tom Gosiorowski, Public Works Director
Peyton Heitzman, Community Development Director
Lynette Horan, Human Resources Manager
Jessica Lake, Senior Planner
Molly Furtado, Special Events Manager
Sydney Dynek, Planner
Kira Koppel, Sustainability Specialist
Brian Lieberman, Open Space & Trails Manager
Ryan Goebel, IT Analyst
Kevin Aoki, Information Technology Manager
Ryan Johnson, Town Engineer

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

MOTION: Council Member Nick Sunday motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Woodworth Foral, and Woods) and 0 opposed.

PUBLIC COMMENT – *there was no public comment.*

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Bryan Woods motioned to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Woodworth Foral, and Woods) and 0 opposed.

1. Minutes - December 10, 2024
2. Bill Pay - December 2024
3. Town of Eagle Employee Housing Program Documents
 - a. Resolution 01, Series 2025, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado Approving the Town of Eagle Employee Housing Guidelines and Lease Template"
 - b. Resolution 04, Series 2025, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado Approving the Deed Restriction Templates to Correspond with the Updated Local Employee Residency Program Guidelines"
 - c. Resolution 07, Series 2025, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado Supporting an Application to the Office of Economic Development & International Trade, Tourism Management Grant Program"
4. Resolution 08, Series 2025 "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado Authorizing the Mayor to execute a Construction Contract with Gould Construction, Inc. for the Sylvan Lake Road Improvement Project"
5. Resolution 09, Series 2025 "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado, Supporting a Financial Match for the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (Raise) Grant Program Application for the Grand Avenue Multimodal Reconstruction Project"
6. Resolution 10, Series 2025 "A Resolution Designating the Place for Posting of Notices of Meetings for the Boards and Commissions of the Town of Eagle"

STAFF REPORTS

1. Town Manager Update
Larry requested the Council to consider waiving the fee for the Brush Creek Pavilion. He emphasized the importance of supporting community events and the recommendation from the police department.

Council comments: concerns were raised about setting a precedent for waiving fees for other non-profit groups and potential challenges in maintaining fairness and consistency in future fee waiver requests.

MOTION: Council Member Bryan Woods motioned to approve the request to waive fees at the Brush Creek Pavilion for an event for the Eagle County Democrats' Women's March on January 18, 2025 per Eagle Police recommendation. The motion was seconded and with a vote of 6 in favor (Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Woodworth Foral, and Woods) and 0 opposed.

Larry introduced the proposal to explore a conservation easement at Haymeadow, aiming to increase open space while maintaining housing development. He highlighted the potential benefits for the community and the environment.

Council comments: Council members expressed their support for the initiative with emphasis on the importance of balancing open space conservation with housing development. Additional comment regarding the number of housing units being built in a lesser amount of space. Larry acknowledged the concern and indicated that further exploration and collaboration with stakeholders would be needed to address those details.

2. Department Update for December 2024 Activities

Council comments: inquiry on solar array and reduction in costs. Tom Gosiorowski stated that staff does not know those numbers yet. Will provide an update at an upcoming meeting. Staff also noted potential rebates from the IRS for municipalities to offset project costs.

Inquiry on the waitlist for broadband. Staff noted that we are still still negotiating installations and looking for new promotions for 2025.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. REP, Matt Daley - Eagle River Park

Brandon Billing and Sam Swanson from McLaughlin Whitewater presented possible enhancements to the Eagle River Park to create a surfable wave. They discussed the benefits of a wave shaper and the potential costs involved.

Mike Harvey from Recreation Engineering and Planning (Rep) proposed creating a river surfing feature upstream of the existing drop #1. He emphasized the importance of improving safety and usability for a wide variety of users.

Council comments: discussed the added benefit to longer seasonal river use and potential cost estimates.

2. Resolution 02, Series 2025: "A Resolution by the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado, Establishing Seasonal Use Restrictions for all Users on Tract OS-1 at the Reserve at Hockett Gulch for the Protection of Wintering Wildlife from December 1 Through April 15 Annually"

Brian Lieberman presented the resolution to establish seasonal use restrictions for the open space parcel at Hocket Gulch.

Council comments: discussion regarding the area being closed, enforcement difficulties and whether it was in the winter range. Staff provided that intent was to provide an additional buffer for wildlife.

MOTION: Council Member Jamie Woodworth Foral motioned to approve Resolution 02, Series 2025: "A Resolution by the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado, Establishing Seasonal Use Restrictions for all Users on Tract OS-1 at the Reserve at Hockett Gulch for the Protection of Wintering Wildlife from December 1 Through April 15 Annually". The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, and Woodworth Foral) and 2 opposed (Sunday and Woods).

3. Scope of services and timeline direction for the Open Space Ranger Position

Brian presented the scope of services and timeline for the position.

Council comments: expressed support for the responsibilities proposed and urged Brian to get feedback from the wildlife committee and HOA.

4. Discussion and direction for a proposal to consider supporting a review of class 1 pedal assist e-bikes on natural surface trails in Town-owned open space properties
Brian discussed the potential for collaborating with the BLM on evaluating e-bike policies on non-motorized trails.

Council comments: expressed support for working with the BLM and considering community engagement and funding for the evaluation process.

5. Resolution 05, Series 2025 "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado Allocating Funds to Oversize the Restroom Facility per the Reserve at Hockett Gulch Development Agreement from the Required Vault Restroom to a Plumbed Restroom."
Ryan Hohnson presented this item.

Council comments: discussion regarding timing and necessity of a restroom at this location. Further discussion regarding options and requesting funds to install later.

MOTION: Council Member Bryan Woods motioned to direct staff to request the cash in lieu from the developer and set those funds aside in the open space fund to be used at a future date. If the Developer rejects that plan, the vault restroom will be built as planned. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Woodworth Foral, and Woods) and 0 opposed.

6. Discussion and direction on fees for the Eagle Pool Replacement Project.
Melissa Daruna presented this item. Terry Nikum from Mountain Recreation expressed support for adding additional pool amenities from these potential waivers.

Council comments: discussion on the fees and appropriateness of waiving our own offset fees. Melissa gave examples of the additional features that would be installed with the funds.

MOTION: Council Member Bryan Woods motioned to approve waiving the Exterior Energy Offset Program "EEOP" fees of \$215,785.00 and use those funds to acquire the final amenities for the pool. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Bodenhemier, Sunday, Woodworth Foral, and Woods) and 2 (Turnipseed and Grimmer) opposed.

7. 2025 Fee Schedule

- a. EEOP Outdoor Appliances Fee Update
Melissa Daruna presented this item. Options provided were to reduce fees or allow flat fees.

Council comments: discussion regarding typical fireplaces used in residential settings, confirmation that residential and commercial would be charged the same, determination on how many hours of residential use will be used to determine calculations, and further discussion on what is appropriate fee or multiplier to charge.

Gina McCrackin provided the council with rationale behind the calculator urged council to use that model as it is related to usage.

Council comments: discussion regarding overreach and unintended consequences if people choose not to follow the permit process. Discussion on using 200,000 BTU fireplace as standard with 65 hours of residential use for the model.

MOTION: Council Member Geoffrey Grimmer motioned to approve the Exterior Energy Offset Program Fee for Outdoor Appliances for gas powered outdoor fire pits and fireplaces to be \$15,000.00 for a 200,000 BTU residential outdoor fireplace. The motion was seconded and failed with a vote of 3 in favor (Grimmer,

Bodenhemier, and Turnipseed) and 3 opposed (Woods, Woodworth Foral, and Sunday).

MOTION: Council Member Geoffrey Grimmer motioned to approve the Exterior Energy Offset Program Fee for Outdoor Appliances for gas powered outdoor fire pits and fireplaces to be \$10,000.00 for a 200,000 BTU residential outdoor fireplace. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 4 in favor (Grimmer, Woods, Bodenhemier, and Turnipseed) and 2 opposed (Woodworth Foral and Sunday).

- b. Resolution 06, Series 2025, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado, Adopting a Fee Schedule Pursuant to 2.34 of the Eagle Municipal Code"

MOTION: Council Member Ellen Bodenhemier motioned to approve Resolution 06, Series 2025, "A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Eagle, Colorado, Adopting a Fee Schedule Pursuant to 2.34 of the Eagle Municipal Code". The motion was seconded and with a vote of 5 in favor, 0 opposed and 1 absent (Turnipseed).

8. Discussion and direction on current and future legal services for the Town

At the request of staff, this item was postponed.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Nick Sunday noted that Core Transit numbers are up 20%. Requested that CPW do a presentation regarding the wolves in Eagle County.

Council Member Ellen Bodenhemier note4d that the Haymeadow RITA will be going towards open space. Requested staff provide a fund balance policy for the sales tax capital improvements fund. Also wanted a future agenda item to discuss the dog park funds and give some direction on how to use them.

Mayor Scott Turnipseed stated another deed restricted unit closed recently and acknowledged Jill Kane's announcement that she is moving on from her position and thanked her for her service to the Town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 8:25 PM

MOTION: Council Member Scott Turnipseed motioned to enter into Executive Session To consider the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of real, personal or other property, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(a) for purposes which cannot be disclosed without compromising the topic of the executive session and further move to conclude the regular meeting upon the adjournment of the Executive Session. The motion was seconded and passed with a vote of 6 in favor (Turnipseed, Bodenhemier, Grimmer, Sunday, Woodworth Foral, and Woods) and 0 opposed.

ADJOURN - 8:50 PM

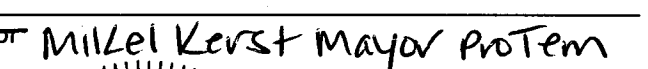
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Scott Turnipseed, Mayor



Jenny Rakow, CMC Town Clerk



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