

Minutes of the Town of Marble
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
June 4th, 2020

A. Call to order & roll call of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Mayor Ryan Vinciguerra called the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m. Present: Larry Good, Emma Bielski. Absent: Tim Hunter. Also present: Ron Leach, Town Administrator, Terry Langley, minutes and Kendall Burgemeister, town attorney (attending via telephone).

Ryan Vinciguerra made a motion to go into Executive session pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice regarding Lawrence pit privy and Case No. 20CV30012. Larry Good seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The board went into executive session at 6:54 p.m. The executive session ended at 7:15 p.m. Because this was attorney/client privileged communication, no minutes were taken.

Ryan Vinciguerra made a motion to go back into the regular meeting. Larry Good seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The regular meeting reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

B. Approve previous minutes – Larry Good made a motion to approve the minutes from the following meetings: Regular Meeting, May 7; Work Session, May 14 and Special Meeting, May 18. Emma Bielski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Mayor’s comments

D. Administrator Report

a. Current bills payable June 4th, 2020, Ron – bills are listed in the packet on page 29. Two additional bills include \$100 to Crystal Echo for advertising and \$500 to Corinne Truesdale for a stipend for Lead King Loop work. Emma Bielski made a motion to approve and pay the bills. Larry Good seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Discussion of continuity of government during COVID, Ron

i. Mill Site Bathrooms – Ron reported that he and Charlie Manus are agreeable to opening the public restrooms. The proper equipment has been procured. The board agreed to open the restrooms. Discussion of a porta potty in Thompson Park followed. The board agreed and it was decided to clean the handles twice a day. Larry Good made a motion to direct Ron to order a porta potty for Thompson Park through September. Emma Bielski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

ii. Signs - Changing the wording on the traffic sign was discussed. Mike Yellico recommended “Please Visit Responsibly.” He reported that John Groves was beginning to enforce fishing regulations. Further discussion of the sign wording followed and Please Visit Responsibly was agreed upon.

iii. Recycling – It was agreed to again solicit volunteers for the recycling program.

E. Land Use Issues

a. Discussion of proposed access agreement, Huck Huckstep – Huck and Jim Maynard attended by phone. After the last meeting, Huck looked at two major concerns: approval of the SBA and more

detail on the proposed use of the site. He is in communication with an SBA attorney and an SBA official in Washington DC and feels like it is moving in the right direction. Huck sent a power point pdf file earlier today with a very preliminary idea of what Mr. Maynard would like to do with the property. Ryan asked about the private campground included in the plan. Mr. Maynard said that this is just an idea. Larry asked if this would be a commercial campground or a friends/family campground for private use. And was told it would be similar to a KOA. Ryan said that he felt this was too impactful. He would want any structure to have as small an impact as possible. Huck asked for feedback from the rest of the board. Larry's first impression is that he likes the idea, but as a representative of the people of Marble he feels that they would not be in favor. Emma asked about any geo-technical surveying that had been done. Huck said that a geo-technical engineer from Kumar and Associates, has been on site but no report or technical investigation had been done. Jim said that they preliminarily feel it is a buildable site. Emma asked about the statement in the plan that this would offer opportunities to expand the Mill Site Park and the disc golf course. Jim explained that this was a concept that access would offer. Mike Yellico asked if there was suitable land for a septic system. Huck said that they would comply with Gunnison County regulations. Mike asked how quickly they are trying to move forward. Huck explained that they are waiting to hear from the SBA as to their feelings about granting access. At that point they would come to Marble with a request for an easement and a discussion about an augmentation pond. He asked if there would be any interest from the town in annexing the property. Mike wondered if they are asking about annexation with the idea that Marble would be easier to work with than Gunnison County. Huck explained that this was just an idea and that had not been taken into consideration at this point. Jim explained that they have had preliminary conversations with the county and that their feedback is not negative. Ryan said he has not found many negatives to granting the easement but would prefer a private residence over a commercial use. Further work needs to be done on the feasibility of an augmentation pond. Huck asked what language the SBA should use. Ryan explained that the town just needs to know that the SBA does not have a problem with the town granting an easement and that it would not be in violation of the deed restriction. Ryan explained that the proposed commercial campground is something he wants to make sure the SBA does not have a problem with. Jim asked if the SBA approved the easement with the campground, if that would influence the town. Emma explained that they have had a very short time to review this plan and that they need more time. Larry again stated that he likes the picture in his mind but that needs to be filtered through the people of Marble and so cannot say yes or no to the proposal. This will be included in next month's agenda.

b. Discussion of broadband proposal, Visionary Networks, Ron – Andrew Eubank, Aaron Macarelli, and Maisie Ramsey of Visionary Networks attended by phone. Ron explained that there has been a lot of very positive movement since the last meeting. They are looking for an understanding and approval for locations of towers. A discussion of possible tower sites and the advantages/disadvantages followed. A land use agreement is necessary so that VN can include that in the grant applications. Aaron reported that fire house would be the best site with the SBA land across the river as second. Andrew said that anything funded by the DOLA grant would be included in phase I so the location must be identified before the grant application. Ron reported that he had been in communication with the Carbondale Fire department and they are in agreement. Larry asked if the selection of the sites would affect the quality and coverage offered to citizens. The fire station site would offer the best and the others would somewhat duplicate that. The fire station site would be enough initially. Emma asked about the matching funds needed for the grant. The DOLA grant funds up to 75% of the project. The remaining 25% could come from VN. If they fund the entire 25%, it would take 10 years for a return on

their investment so partnerships (town/county) would make this more palatable from the grant standpoint. Any funds would need to be available in fiscal year 2021. A discussion of possible profit sharing followed. They will be in contact with Ron for the land use agreement. Ryan suggested exploring an increase in sales tax to generate funds. It is currently 5.9% and surrounding areas are at least 6.9%. Ron said this should be on the July agenda with a public meeting in August. The county clerk should be informed that this is being contemplated.

F. Old Business

a. Parks committee report, Amber – Emma reported that Mike has cut down several dead cottonwoods. He asked for direction on what to do with the wood. Ron recommended moving them to the ice rink to use for the New Year’s bonfire. Larry Good made a motion to use \$400 for equipment to aid in the moving. Emma Bielski seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Other – Hub opening – Ron reported that there was some desire to open the Hub. The board agreed that this was not a good idea.

G. New Business

a. Consider approval Slow Groovin 2020 Liquor License, Ron – Ryan would have had to recuse himself, leaving the meeting with a lack of a quorum. The issue was tabled.

b. Other – Ron asked the town to waive the business license fees to support the businesses. He also proposed waiving the Slow Groovin’ lease fees. Emma moved to waive 2020 business license fees. Larry Good seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The Slow Groovin’ lease was tabled due to Ryan having to recuse himself resulting in the lack of a quorum.

c. Emma addressed the recent Gunnison County survey and the piece at the end regarding mental health issues around COVID. She would like to compile mental health resources to be placed on the website. The board is in agreement.

d. Ron reported on the Marble Charter School task force addressing COVID and issues for the next school year. They will be looking for support and partnership (funds) from the town. They will be making a presentation next month.

e. Corinne reported on the plans for the local surveys/meetings. She asked for ways to publicize these and she got several ideas.

H. Adjourn – Larry Good made a motion to adjourn. Emma Bielski seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Langley