



**TOWN OF LARKSPUR
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SUMMARY MINUTES
April 4, 2019
6 PM
Larkspur Town Hall**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Pro-tem Jeremiah Holmes at 6 p.m.

PRESENT	ABSENT	NON-VOTING
Tabitha Parks		Town Attorney- Scotty Krob
Paul Bowers		Town Clerk – Sharon Roman
Heather Sanchez		Town Manager – Matt
Isaac Levy		Krimmer
Jennell Waggle		
Mayor Pro-tem Jeremiah Holmes		

TOWN STAFF PRESENT: Arlen Goertzen, Bill Kramer, Paul Grant (SEMOCOR)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited

MAYORS CONCERNS: Jeremiah Holmes made the comment that everyone keep talking about the reason Barbara Allen left was the fault of the Water/Sewer Board, so he emailed Barbara Allen to find out what really happened to make her walk away from the Water/Sewer Board and she mentioned several reasons. One was that the Town Council was not supportive but feels that it may be better when a new Mayor is elected. The Board seemed very energetic and willing to move forward, however; they did not seem supportive to the process. They will not make any recommendations until the financial piece of the Waste Water Treatment Plant is finalized with Sun Communities. After the things happened in December, Matt Krimmer and others seemed to lose focus on what was going on. The rumor mill keeps on running so if you have any questions it is good to go to the source.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

- **Matt Krimmer:** Announced his retirement effective May 31, 2019
- **Dorothy Hise:** Stated that she was fired on Wednesday. Shared that she had done everything she was required to do in respect to her position. She is glad that Matt is leaving. She accused Matt of favoritism with the staff. She spoke of the fact that she has always given a fair day’s work for a fair day’s pay. She is glad she is not working at the Town any more, the staff is full of dishonest evil people and Matt is the worst manager she has ever seen.
- **Ed Blanchard:** Ed began disputing the things that Jeremiah had shared on the information from Barbara saying the reason the Water/Sewer Board would not recommend the Loading Agreement for the Waste Water Treatment Plant was not financial but that the way it is put together is incorrect. The Town needs to get a water attorney to address the Loading Agreement and should have had this

attorney a long time ago. Encouraged Town Council to hire a water attorney and will have contact information available by next Monday for a very reputable person that he has been talking to recently to fill this need. There have been questionable decisions made in the past and now the Town's reeling backwards. Moving from the campground to the Travel Center project site being a real eyesore with the fences down there, Ed would like to go over the blueprints for the Travel Center. He asked Matt and the fact is today these cannot be produced. It is ridiculous that he has had to go to Annex and look at them, they should be available to anyone. None of the prints he has seen in the last couple years are contradictory to each other. Next, there is a supposed Muni Code book that codes are quoted out of, have been told that it is too expensive to allow boards and commissions to have these.

A MOTION was made by Isaac Levy and seconded by Heather Sanchez to print copies of the Muni Code at the Town Hall for the Boards and Commissions. A roll call was taken Six (6) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed.

MINUTES:

A MOTION was made by Jeremiah Holmes and seconded by Tabitha Parks to approve the March 21, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. A roll call vote was taken Five (5) in favor, zero (0) against, one (1) abstained; motion passed.

COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:

- **Planning Commission (PC)** – Marvin Cardenas, Chair, gave the report. Still working on the Master Plan. Their next meeting will be Monday April 8, 2019 at 5:00pm. They hope to have their final draft for the Design Criteria for Council review and approval at the next Council meeting.
- **Water and Sewer Board (W&S)** – RuthAnn Arfsten read the Board's report that had been prepared by Trish the Board Chair.
- **Parks and Recreation Board (P&R)** – Bill Kramer asked if the Council was ready to vote on Resolution 19-7.

A MOTION was made by Jeremiah Holmes and seconded by Tabitha Parks to approve **RESOLUTION 19-07 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR AN AARP COMMUNITY CHALLENGE GRANT TO HELP FUND THE LIGHTS FOR THE BALLFIELD.** A roll call vote was taken, six (6) in favor, zero (0) against: motion passed.

- **Strategic Planning Report** – Isaac Levy, Chair reported that the last scheduled meeting was only attended by Barbara Sheldon, Dorothy Hise and Sherilyn West so there was no real meeting. Transparency will be the topic of the next meeting on April 11, 2019 at 5:00.

CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS REPORTS: Matt Krimmer presented Planning and Building Department reports and status summaries of the development projects:

- **Construction & Development Projects** – No changes
 - ✓ **Jellystone at Larkspur** – Negotiations are on hold.
 - ✓ **Dumler Travel Center** – Out of compliance with Town Ordinances per Ed Blanchard, their fence is in the Town’s right-of-way and that should have never happened. Jeremiah said he was going to discuss with Sherilyn on Monday April 8, 2019 when she returns.
 - ✓ **Moltz Constructors** – No new information is available
- **Building Department** – no changes

TOWN PROJECTS: Matt provided a status summary:

- **Water Treatment Plant (WTP)** – Completing last phase, water sent to tank up hill and testing for contaminants. Plan to have it up and running the week of 4/22/19 with CDPHE approval the following week
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)** – Summary was given in the Water/Sewer Board update.
- **Source Water Protection Plan Project (SWPP)** – March meeting cancelled due to snow. April 11, 2019 is next meeting.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- **Project Management/Lee Staab** – Lee Staab introduced himself. He retired as a Military Officer in 2006, lives in Perry Park, was born in Kansas, has a degree in Civil Engineering from the U.S. Military accepted by Bob Dole, graduated from West Point, Masters in Structural and Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois, Business degree from Harvard, among other degrees, worked in the reconstruction program in Iraq and Iran, been in Afghanistan 53 times... He is a person who is used to getting things done. He is not looking for full time employment s he cannot replace Matt. He was asked if he wanted remuneration for helping with the Waste Water Treatment Plant. He is going out of town on Friday. He will need to review what Barbara has presented and talk to Council and Board next week.
- **Resolution 19-06:**

A **MOTION** was made by Heather Sanchez and seconded by Tabitha Parks to approve **RESOLUTION 19-06 A RESOLUTION SETTING FEES FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE PUBLIC BY THE TOWN.** A roll call vote was taken, six (6), zero (0) against; motion passed,

- **Sign Code** – Review and discuss at April 18, 2019 meeting

LEGAL UPDATES:

- **Ordinance 1.18 Financial Advisory Board** – On Hold

- **Amended Agreement on water/sewer tap for Buss/Cardenas –**

A **MOTION** was made by Tabitha Parks and seconded by Jeremiah Holmes to approve the Amended agreement on water/sewer tap for Buss/Cardenas. A roll call vote was taken, six (6) in favor, zero (0) against; motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: None

A **MOTION** was made by Jeremiah Holmes and seconded by Heather Sanchez to move Fire Marshall, Randy Johnson to a Regular Member of the Parks and Rec Board. A voice vote was unanimous, motion passed.

MAYOR UPDATES:

- Meet your Council Member Isaac Levy 4/12/19 – 6:00 to 7:00 pm at Town Hall

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- **Tabitha Parks**
 - #1 We should be able to renew business licenses on line
 - #2 Gerry Been is in a rehab facility in Colorado Springs and she thinks we should go by and see Janet because she is alone
 - #3 Would like to meet with Dorothy, Matt and Sharon
 - #4 Put Engineer on notice
 - #5 Losing employees right and left
 - #6 Could use Boot tickets
- **Isaac Levy** – Thanks to Lee Staab for his time. Agrees to use standard bench for Stan Trueblood in the Memorial Circle in the park, research plaque for Stan and Ann Trueblood for bench. Don't forget tomorrow to meet your Council Member on Friday 4/12/19 at Town Hall 6:00 to 7:00 pm
- **Paul Bowers** – He thought there were to be no personnel changes until needs assessment done, looking for new water attorney is a waste of time, Jellystone dump stations-need to look at master plan, need to find site plan for Travel Center, very concerned that someone on staff may be involved in the election process and this is wrong and that is why we hired an outside DEO, suggested to terminate agreement with Thrive Broadband due to incompliance with Town Ordinances, will go to Affordable Tree Service before next meeting
- **Heather Sanchez** – Thinks we need to ask Lee Staab if he refuses to work with anyone on staff he would work with the Town Council
- **Jeremiah Holmes** – nothing

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

- **Stephen Gonzales** – Explained to Paul that the election is safe. Karen is doing her job and not to worry. He wanted to tell Jeremiah that he has been doing a good job with allowing the residents to voice their concerns. Just wanted to pat everybody on the back for jobs well done. The Town Residents have begun to

talk to each other, the residents are talking to the Council, Matt has done a good job.

- **Barbara Sheldon** – Approached Heather Sanchez about signing Dorothy Hise’ termination papers, did she agree? Discussion ensued regarding the way this issue was handled, and Heather insured her that there were other staff members who shared their experiences with the situation. The issue of Executive Session was brought up and Legal Counsel assured all present that there are specific reasons that the purpose of Executive Session was and is appropriate. Matt Krimmer also assured the Nominated Candidates at the Forum on 4/6/19 would be handled by Stuart Mills the Fire Chief at Larkspur Fire Protection District would be the Moderator and not Matt.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:34 pm and voted unanimously.

**Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Roman
Town Clerk**

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