TOWN OF LARKSPUR
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 17th, 2013
6PM
Town Hall

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Gerry Been called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT	ABSENT	NON-VOTING
Jennelle VanGorder	Joseph Jeske	Town Attorney- Scott Krob
Lester Burch		Town Clerk/Manager-
Matias Cumsille		Matt Krimmer
Sandy McKeown		
Mayor Pro-tem Shannon Buss		
Mayor Gerry Been		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Florence Burch, Kristin Cutbirth, Paul Grant, Tony Perconti, Joey Edge, Virginia Grantier

UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES: Douglas County Sheriff's Deputy Anthony Arutunov reported no serious crime activity in the Larkspur area. Mayor Been thanked the deputy for providing the electronic speed monitoring sign on the north end of Spruce Mountain Road next to the Park. Deputy Arutunov commented the signs have a positive impact on slowing down speeds and recommended the Town consider installing another flashing yellow electronic speed limit sign similar to the one near Fox Farm Road on the south end of the business district. The deputy then answered several questions from the audience.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES: Joey Edge addressed questions from the Council regarding the conditions for acquiring his building at 8720 Spruce Mountain Road and Matt provided information from Peoples Bank on acquiring the building through a lease/purchase arrangement. Several Council members asked what the monthly payments would be under the proposed L/P arrangement and requested Matt have Peoples Bank provide the information for several interest rate numbers within the interest range provided. Matt also informed Council of Larkspur Storage owner Jim Sikora's interest in buying the current Town Hall. Three Council members expressed interest in another walkthrough of the Edge building and Matt will coordinate a date and time for early next week.

NEW WELL PROJECT: Matt informed Council no new information has been received pertaining to the DOLA grant and project planning will begin once approvals have been received and loan/grant agreements have been signed.

PARK UPDATE:

- **Mile High Softball Coed Spooktacular Tournament –** The tournament is scheduled for October 19th beginning at 9 a.m.
- **Park Fees for 2014 –** Council reviewed current park fees and following a short discussion agreed that park fees for all facilities should be raised by 20% for all non-Residents only. Resident fees would remain the same.

A motion was made by Matias Cumsille and seconded by Shannon Buss to raise 2014 facilities park fees by 20% for all non-Resident users only. A roll call vote was taken. Six (6) in favor, zero (0) against; motion carried.

- **Trail Project Grant –** Matt informed Council of meeting with Cheryl Matthews, Douglas County Open Space Manager to discuss partnering with DC in submission of a Trail grant application to Colorado Parks and Wildlife Trails Program. This grant, if approved, would fund construction of the Larkspur segment of the Front Range Trail along with the County's segments from the Town boundary on the north to Columbine and the Town boundary on the south to Greenland. The County, Cheryl Matthews, will prepare most of the application narrative and supporting data. The deadline for submission is November 1st.

MINUTES: September 19th – Matt presented draft minutes from the September 19th Council meeting. Under Council Comments Shannon Buss requested clarifying and rewording the comment regarding removal of banners.

Shannon Buss made a motion to approve minutes from the September 19th Council meeting with one correction as noted. Matias Cumsille seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Six (6) in favor, zero (0) against; motion carried.

BILLS TO BE PAID: $28,673.48

Matt presented bills to be paid in the amount of $28,673.48.

A motion was made by Matias Cumsille and seconded by Shannon Buss to approve bills in the amount of $28,673.48. A roll call vote was taken. Seven (7) in favor, zero (0) against, one (1) abstention for Fischer Enterprises invoices (Mayor Been); motion carried.

SEMOCOR REPORT: Matt informed Council of the need to have Semocor clarify additional charges identified in the well tank maintenance proposal from Inland Potable Services since M&M Tank Coating Company can only perform their proposed maintenance work with the tanks drained. Since our reserve water supply does not allow for draining the tanks Inland Potable is the only company able to do the maintenance. Paul Grant provided a revised proposal from Inland Potable in the amount of $6000 which included the cost of two epoxy kits for repair. Council decided to delay a decision on the tank maintenance pending further evaluation.

Sandy McKeown made a motion to retract the motion approved at the last meeting to award the tank maintenance bid to M&M Tank Coating. The motion was seconded by Matias Cumsille. A roll call vote was taken. Six (6) in favor, zero (0) against; motion carried.

Mayor Been asked Paul to address the sewer pump replacement and the matter of the broken pipe connecting to the pump. Paul commented the Town's maintenance man,

Jerry Perkins, caused the pipe to break when lifting it with the back hoe. Mayor Been stated he would investigate the incident and talk to John Leary, a contractor, who was present. Paul also informed Council of the State of Colorado's inspection of the Town's water system. All components passed the inspection. A minor deficiency was noted in a cable opening at the top of tank which needed to be plugged. Semocor will address this item.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- **Brian Cook Property at 9170 Frank Road –** The Council revisited the request from Brian Cook at the lase Council meeting to waive building permit fees for a modular home to be located on the property and to allow drilling a well for domestic water and installation of a septic system instead of connecting to the Town's water and sewer systems. Following an in depth discussion Council agreed to waive permit fees for up to three years and not to allow a well or septic systems. The Town's Ordinance requires all property owners within 400 feet of the Town's water and sewer lines to connect to them and since there is no apparent economic incentive or other benefit to the Town to grant a waiver, the request is denied.

A motion was made by Lester Burch to approve waiver of building permit fees for a period not to exceed three years for Brian Cook's property at 9170 Frank Road and to deny his request to drill a well and install a septic system on the property. The motion was seconded by Jennelle VanGorder. A roll call vote was taken. Six (6) in favor, zero (0) against; motion carried.

- **Spruce Mountain Road Repaving** – A meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 23rd at 9 a.m. with Douglas County Commissioner Partridge, County Roads Supervisor Darrell Roberts, and Project Manager Pete George to visit and discuss deficiencies in the Spruce Mountain Road repaving. Mayor Been and Mayor Pro-tem Buss plan on attending. This meeting will be posted in the event other councilmembers are able to attend**.**
- **Road Maintenance IGA –** A draft IGA has been prepared by the County and is being reviewed by Matt and the Mayor. The IGA will also be forwarded to Scotty Krob for legal review. The IGA will then be presented to Council for approval.
- **Town Highway Sign update –** Since there has been no response from Stewart Signs, the proposal from Yesco Signs was discussed and Council requested we obtain a breakdown of the permit fees and inspection fees from the railroad and CDOT.

LEGAL UPDATES:

- **Perry Park Water & Sanitation Settlement Proposal –** Nothing new to report.
- **OSI Property Subdivision and Transfer –** Dan Krob is working with Matt in completing a subdivision of the property and will draft an agreement for the transfer.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **LES Fall Festival Donation Request –** Matt presented a request from the Larkspur Elementary School PTO for a donation in support of their Fall Festival to be held on October 26th at the Colorado Renaissance Festival property.

A motion was made by Shannon Buss to provide a $150 donation to the PTO of the Larkspur Elementary School for their Annual Fall Festival on October 26, 2014. The motion was seconded by Matias Cumsille. A roll call vote was taken. Five (5) in favor, one (1) against (Sandy McKeown); motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Matt presented the following:

- Compliments to the Council on their participation and very productive Budget Workshop held on October 10th.
- At yesterday's partnership breakfast Jamie LaRue, the Director of Douglas County Libraries, announced his retirement at the end of the year.
- Reminder – Economic Development CEO Networking October 23rd, 4-6 p.m. at Cherokee Ranch & Castle. Joe Yavorski and Ian Steyn will be attending.
- Reminder – Starburst Award from Colorado Lottery to be presented November 7th at the LFPD.
- Reminder – Elected Officials Caucus November 13th at Cherokee Ranch & Castle.
- Upon further investigation the Loveland train depot offer proved to be more complicated than originally thought and there would be a cost to the Town to move the depot. The offer has been rejected and no further action will be taken.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:
Sandy McKeown asked if the dump card renewals are being done in accordance with Resolution 12-01 which requires annual renewals on the anniversary date of when the card was first purchased. Matt stated he will check with staff to be sure the renewal procedure is being followed.
Shannon Buss asked about accountability issues with Semocor addressed by USDA and CDPHE in the loan documents and Matt explained the items addressed had to do with collecting additional data requiring more record keeping not required by the State but required by the loaning agencies. Currently Semocor is satisfying all State reporting requirements and there are no accountability issues. Shannon also asked if there was any update on the I 25 electronic sign in Monument being changed to show Larkspur. Matt stated he would follow up with CDOT.

MAYORS COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURN: Shannon Buss made a motion to adjourn the regular Council meeting. Matias Cumsille seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Been adjourned the Council meeting at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Matt Krimmer
Town Clerk/Manager

These minutes are only a summary of the proceedings of the meeting. They are not intended to be comprehensive or to include each statement, person speaking or to portray with complete accuracy. The most accurate record of the meeting is the audiotape of the meeting, maintained in the office of the Town Clerk.