

Town of Garden City Minutes

July 19, 2022

Regular Meeting

Mayor Fil Archuleta called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Fil Archuleta and Trustees Tim Costello, Alex Lopez, Leigh Sorensen, Katherine Rodriguez, Sam Parsons and Gary Sorensen were present. Staff present: Town Administrator Cheryl Campbell; Deputy Town Clerk Lindsay Shoemaker; Public Works Director Brett Bloom; Police Chief Jeremy Black; Town attorney James Godbold. Also present were Andrew Brown of the Garden City Police Department, Tammy, and Jack Malick, 2743 6th Avenue Lane.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes from July 5, 2022 Regular Meeting
- b. Approve June 2022 Treasurer's Report
- c. Approve Paid Bills
- d. Approve Bills To Be Paid
- e. Approve Build-West work in progress invoice in the amount of \$16,000

Sam Parsons questioned item e. in regards to the invoice that was approved at the last meeting for \$18,000. Chery Campbell advised that this is the final payment and the check will be held until the building has been completed in the next day or two. There were no other concerns.

Alex Lopez moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve the Consent Agenda, items a.- e.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Public Not on the Agenda Invited to be heard

There was none.

Commercial Revitalization Grant Final Review and Payment for Greeley Hat Works in the amount of \$5,554.01

This item was approved at an earlier meeting. The sign project has been completed and this item is to approve the final review and payment.

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Gary Sorensen seconded to approve the Commercial Revitalization Grant Final Review and Payment for Greeley Hat Works in the amount of \$5,554.01.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Residential Revitalization Grant Approval for Alex Lopez 614 27th Street Road in the amount of \$3,000

Alex Lopez and Katherine Rodriguez recused themselves from this agenda item. Alex Lopez presented his grant request. He is having windows manufactured for him home to replace the current leaking and non-sealing windows. Payment will be approved on a future agenda when the windows are installed. Gary Sorensen moved, and Sam Parsons seconded to approve the Residential Revitalization Grant for Alex Lopez 614 27th Street Road in the amount of \$3,000.

5 Aye. 0 Nay. 2 recused. Motion carried.

Approve Festival Permit for Bootleggin' Days August 26 and 27, 2022

This festival permit will allow several liquor licensed businesses to operate under one license for Bootleggin' Days

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Sam Parson seconded to approve the Festival Permit for Bootleggin' Days August 26 and 27, 2022.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Consider Weld County Referral #ZPAG22-0009

This is a referral from Weld County referring to a location "East of and adjacent to Cherry Avenue; approximately 630- feet south of East 20th Street."

Sam Parsons moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to answer "no conflicts with our interests" to Weld County Referral #ZPAG22-0009.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Events Update

Officer Brown addressed the Board. National Night Out is two weeks away and planning is almost finished. The Chief is finalizing the safety plan. We are expecting around 50 people to attend. Superior Towing is supplying two vehicles for the fire department to cut up. Superior has also offered their three light towers and their help in closing roads if the department ever has an incident where it is needed. Greeley Fire Department will be at National Night Out with Engine 4 and their Ladder Truck. Greeley Victim Advocates will be attending as well. Officer Brown recently did a 25-minute interview with Mandy Collins, a nationwide talk show host, for Bootleggin' Days. He is expecting over 1,000 people for Bootleggin' Days. Bootleggin planning meetings are wrapping up this week and starting August 1st we will be in the implementation phase.

Staff Reports

a. Town Administrator

Cheryl addressed the Board. The Budget to Actual was completed and the Town is right where it should be relating to the budget. There are a few places that are above, but not over budget. Sales tax is down 2.98%, and overall revenues are down 11%. Audit is underway. Mosquito spraying is continuing.

b. Police Chief

Chief Black advised the Board that recent calls have evened out and they are almost equivalent to the levels of last year. There was another break-in at a local business. The department is trying to work with them on better security measures. The department is on the waiting list for the new police vehicles, although there is no firm timeline as to when they will be available. The officers will be hosting a joint training with the Weld County Drug Task Force and the ATF, at the Community Center.

c. Public Works Director

Brett has been working hard to get things taken care of around town including keeping the flowers alive on 8th Avenue in the recent heat wave. The Community Center parking lot was paved. The basketball hoop is ready to be moved, it will be placed on the other side of the court. The street paving is almost finished around town. There was an unexpected hiccup in the paving of 28th Street. The old pavement was so damaged that water got into the ground below and it had to be torn up and mitigated. This will be another expense added to the final invoice. Japanese beetles infested the rose garden but have been sprayed and Brett has put out traps for them as well.

d. Town Attorney

Mr. Godbold has spoken with the Colorado Marijuana Enforcement Division about Nature's Herbs and Wellness joining their two addresses into one. The Board has already approved the Modification of Premises and there won't be any issues. There are more changes to the Town Code that he is reviewing and will have suggested amendments by the next meeting.

Other Board Issues

Gary Sorensen expressed concern about the administrative staff being safe in the building without any protective measures. Cheryl advised the Board of the security measures taken at the town hall to ensure staff safety. Leigh Sorensen brought up the town events and how some staff members have to work 10-12 hour days at times for these events. She brought up the idea of having only one staff member and then one or two Board members assisting the events so there won't be an added expense and the other staff members don't have to work such long hours. Fil Archuleta asked about the vicious dog attack that happened last week. Six dogs got out of one yard and threatened a staff member. The owners were given written warnings and advised to rehome two of their dogs, as per town code they can only own four animals. Another issue that was brought up was about the pawn shops operating hours. This will be monitored by the evening officers.

Announcements

- a. Picasso and Koolaid will be July 27th at 6PM for kids. Please RSVP
- b. The August 2nd 2022 Board meeting has been rescheduled to August 1st 2022 at 5:30
- c. National Night Out is August 2nd from 5PM to 7PM in the Community Center

Adjourn

Since there was no further business, Sam Parsons moved, and Tim Costello seconded to adjourn the meeting.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Fil Archuleta adjourned the meeting at 6:35PM

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