

**TOWN OF BOW MAR, COLORADO BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Bow Mar was called to order on Monday, January 18, 2021 by Mayor Feldkamp. The meeting was held via Zoom or teleconference for the Trustees and for the public. A quorum was declared present at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor	Tom Feldkamp
Trustees	Andrew Swanson
	Leslie Hinton
	Marsha Dennis
	Jane Carlson
	Margo Ramsden
	Steve Fabricant
Police	Chief Cottrell
Clerk	Angie Kelly
Attorney	Kathie Guckenberger

Public Comment: none presented.

Berry Sidewalk Update: Rick Pilgrim outlined the meeting with the homeowners in the area, to discuss the sidewalk options. Representatives from Bow Mar and Littleton were present at that meeting. The same plan presented to the Trustees was presented at this meeting. The homeowners asked to be shown options for the sidewalk to be placed on the south side of the street. Options are being discussed regarding this request. Jason Miner is working on a few options with costs. Another meeting will be scheduled for early February and then results of that meeting will be presented to the Trustees in February. Trustee Carlson noted that a question has been asked regarding how many accidents have occurred at this curve. This will need further investigation to provide the correct answer.

Consent Agenda:

Trustee Swanson moved to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as presented. Upon a second, by Trustee Carlson, a vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Commissioners Reports:

Public Safety – Trustee Swanson noted that he had no further report from what Chief Cottrell provided. Chief reviewed his report. Chief noted that reports of unemployment fraud cases are increasing. RV parking was also discussed.

Finance – For the month of December, the total revenues were 102% of the year-to-date budgeted amount while operating expenses were at 102%. General government was 74% of budget, public safety 98%, parks and rec 89%, and public works 120%.

Total year-to-date operating deficit was \$57,843 and the net non-recurring income (building permits/road impact fees less building inspection expense) of \$104,795 results in a total year-to-date surplus of \$46,952.

There was no property tax and road mill funds collected in December. Other sources of revenue included specific ownership tax, highway user tax, Xcel franchise fees and Lottery income. Road expenses were \$68,268 for road mill work, Berry curve, town mapping and snow removal. Bow Mar paid the Town of Columbine Valley for first quarter police and building cost of \$80,296. The repair for the Belleview rock wall was \$13,508 which should be reimbursed through insurance. All other expenses were as anticipated.

Building – Trustee Carlson reviewed her report which was emailed to the Trustees. In December, the Town collected \$9,469.75 in permit fees, \$5,409.64 in transportation utility fees, and \$470 in licensing for a total of \$15,349.39. Trustee Carlson outlined the permit comparison from 2019 to 2020 in total. The trend since 2016 was increasing permits and then permit numbers fell in 2020.

Parks and Recreation – Trustee Hinton noted that parks and recreation did not have a report.

Public Works – Trustee Fabricant noted that the lack of snow has helped the budget but had no other report. Potholes were discussed and Trustee Fabricant will contact the engineer to review.

Intergovernmental Affairs – Trustee Ramsden outlined the Republic Services contract. One item of discussion was the term. Currently, a five-year term is proposed. There was no objection from the Trustees on the term. The proposed contract is similar to the previous contract. The key factors are keeping low large item rates, free Christmas tree removal, \$225 dumpsters on top of the 3 free in spring and 3 free in fall. Recycling and additional bags will remain the same. The same rates are proposed but Republic has not agreed to this draft contract yet. It is important to note that homeowners are not required to use Republic, but this contract should provide lower rates for trash service. Trustee Ramsden will also ask about composting again. The Comcast franchise agreement is still in negotiation.

Attorney's Report – Attorney Guckenberger outlined the model traffic code update and noted that a draft of the updated model traffic code will be presented at the February meeting for the first reading. It was also noted that there a lot of incongruities between Columbine Valley ad Bow Mar. Therefore, updates will be discussed moving forward and a study session held in March to review the possible code changes.

Clerk's Comments – Town Clerk Kelly noted the next meeting will be held on February 15, 2021. Also noted was that the King Scholarship Application had been posted. No applications have been received yet. Finally, a work session is planned for March, to be held immediately before the Trustee meeting. The work session is to review possible revisions to the code. Trustee Carlson asked about awarding the scholarships since the Winter Dance is not taking place. Likely, something small will be held at the beach.

Mayor Report – Mayor Feldkamp outlined the upcoming evaluations. The evaluations should be finalized in short order, and the Mayor will schedule meeting with each person receiving an evaluation. Mayor Feldkamp noted that he is getting significantly more reports of coyotes. Mayor Feldkamp also noted that he would like the DRB to attend the February meeting to discuss the plan moving forward.

Old Business:

Review Traffic Survey Results – Clerk Kelly outlined survey results and noted that the results were still split half and half for and against the gates. The survey also noted that a large majority would like it to be on a ballot for vote. To move forward, due diligence would be the next step in working toward an election in November. To do this properly, a project manager will likely be hired to ensure information is gathered and processes are followed to get the question on a ballot. Trustee Carlson also asked about the detailed information about the cost of gate, what it will look like, where exactly where it will be placed, what will the landscaping look like, etc. An exact process for this information needs to still be determined.

Discussion Regarding Speed Limit Changes - this has been added to the agenda as many comments during the gate discussion outlined concern for safety. Given that, the question was asked if reduced speed limits would be helpful? Chief Cottrell was asked for insight regarding the number of pedestrian/vehicle accidents. Chief noted that he knows of no accidents of this nature. It was also discussed that the most recent traffic survey indicated the speed limit was correct and speeding did not appear to be an issue. Trustee Ramsden noted that reducing speed limits is not related to address speeding, but to improve safety on Town roads without shoulders or sidewalks. Trustee Hinton noted that perhaps slower speed limits would remove the streets from google maps. It was discussed that the cut through traffic does so because they enjoy the beauty of the neighborhood and not necessarily to save time. Increasing enforcement

of existing speed limits was also discussed. Chief Cottrell explained that the officers are around Bow Mar on a very regular basis and speeding is not a huge issue. To close discussion it was noted that reducing speed limits is not gaining support. It doesn't seem that speed limit changes are necessary for safety, since no pedestrian or vehicle accidents have happened.

Discussion Regarding Building IGA – Trustee Carlson outlined the draft IGA for building services with Columbine Valley. Columbine Valley is asking for a 5-year contract for \$20,000 per year. The previous contract was \$25,000. The lower price is due to the permit numbers decreasing. Trustee Carlson would like to stay with Columbine Valley as they have done a good job with the building permits. The IGA will come to the Trustees for a final vote.

New Business:

Resolution for Hazard Plan – the Arapahoe County Hazard Mitigation Plan was discussed. The intent of the IGA is to ensure Bow Mar can take part in FEMA funding and assistance should an emergency take place. Trustee Carlson moved to approve the resolution adopting the Arapahoe County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Upon a second, by Trustee Ramsden, a vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Regarding Republic Services Contract - this was already discussed in the Intergovernmental report.

Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 8:51pm.  
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Thomas Feldkamp, Mayor

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