

**TOWN OF BOW MAR, COLORADO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
MAY 19, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Bow Mar was called to order on Monday, May 19, 2022 by Mayor Sperry. The meeting was held in person at the residence of Mayor Sperry, 4650 Bow Mar Drive, Littleton, Colorado. A quorum was declared present at 7:01 p.m.

Present:

Mayor: Bryan Sperry
Mayor Pro Tem: Marsha Dennis
Trustees: Jane Carlson
Leslie Hinton
Steve O'Dell
Margo Ramsden

Absent was Trustee Andy Swanson, whose absence was excused.

Also in attendance were:

Police Chief Bret Cottrell
Deputy Clerk Michelle Parker
Attorney Christiana McCormick
Residents Connie Swenson, Candy Ergen, Joanne Sposito

Agenda: Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved as presented.

Public Comment: Connie Swenson addressed the board regarding BMOI's plans for beach improvements. Ms. Swenson stated that she has some concerns and suggestions and requested a meeting with the board to discuss plans for the beach bathroom, pump shed, and removal of a tree.

Candy Ergen thanked the board for upholding the DRB process. Ms. Ergen said she has tried to engage BMOI regarding the plans for the bathrooms and the pump house, and that these decisions will impact the whole town. She went on to say that BMOI is part of the purview of the town, and they will not return emails or talk with her.

Joanne Sposito echoed the sentiments of her neighbors and said that she has taken time to talk to both BMOI and her neighbors about the plans. Ms. Sposito said there was zero transparency and she would appreciate more awareness about what is going on. She said this is a community asset going to DRB and suggested maybe the DRB meet with BMOI as a different process.

Consent Agenda: Trustee Dennis moved to approve the items listed on the consent agenda as presented. Upon a second by Trustee Ramsden , a vote was taken and carried unanimously.

Commissioners Reports:

Public Safety – Chief Cottrell reviewed the monthly public safety report, and followed up on a recent auto theft. Chief Cottrell said they identified the suspects and their vehicle through camera footage. Chief Cottrell further stated that the suspects were on the run, but he is working with Littleton and warrants were issued. Chief Cottrell also said that the recent drug take-back event was successful, and 122 lbs of drugs were collected.

Finance – For the month of April, the total revenues were 46% of the year-to-date budgeted amount while operating expenses were at 25%. General government was 30% of budget, public safety 33%, parks and rec 73%, and public works 14%.

Total year-to-date operating surplus was \$204,579 and the net non-recurring income (building permits/road impact fees less building inspection expense) of \$88,829 results in a total year-to-date surplus of \$293,408.

In April, we collected \$97,408 in property tax and road mill funds. Other sources of revenue included specific ownership tax, highway user tax and Xcel franchise tax. The clerk expense was, once again, high due to the election and work performed for the 2021 audit. The Parks and Rec budget vs actual is high due to the Sheridan circle landscape project that was not in the 2022 budget. The Berry curve project cost was \$11,064. Snow removal cost for January through March was \$12,958. All other April expenses were as anticipated.

Public Works – The Mayor read an email from Trustee Swanson regarding the Berry Curve project, and plans to move forward.

Parks and Recreation - Trustee Hinton reported that plantings have been installed, and mowing will take place. Trustee Hinton noted that during planting, some sprinklers needed to be adjusted and it was discovered that there may need to be some sprinkler equipment replacement.

Building – Trustee Carlson stated that she had sent the board the wrong report, and said she would sent the April report to add to the minutes. Regarding the public comments, Trustee Carlson summarized the plan that BMOI presented to the DRB: bathrooms and pump house in one building with a much bigger footprint than previously. She explained that neighbors had only seen the first draft and BMOI wants to take out a tree. The DRB did not approve the plans as presented at the meeting, and the options are to appeal to the Board of Adjustments or come back before the DRB. There was discussion amongst the board about clarifying DRB processes and rules, and Trustee Carlson said she is working with Attorney McCormick to do so. There was further discussion about the need for clearer communication to town residents about DRB meeting schedules, agendas, and open meetings. Trustee Carlson stated that an application for a new home to be located at Larkspur and Bow Mar Drive would be coming before the DRB next month.

Intergovernmental – Trustee O’Dell said that he attended a community meeting with the developer for Columbine Square. The applicant is Lennar, and the plans are for multi-family. Trustee O’Dell said the 17 ½ acres were rezoned to CMU last November by the City of Littleton, which allows for up to 1300 units, and up to 65 ft. for housing, or up to 85 ft. for mixed use. As it stands, the May application from Lennar seeks to build 484 units with 180 being senior housing, and the rest as market-rate apartments. The build will be 4-stories, and elevator serviced. They also proposed surface parking, a small café, and a pickleball facility. Traffic is expected to flow in from Federal Blvd.

Trustee O’Dell also said he is looking into the Tri-Cities homeless policy, per the Mayor and has been researching composting options with Ridwell and Compost Colorado. There was discussion regarding enhancing the internet infrastructure with ARPA funds, and Attorney McCormick said this needed to be researched thoroughly.

Attorney's Report - Upon a motion by Trustee Ramsden, seconded by Trustee Hinton, the board approved Resolution 2022-R-08 Intergovernmental Agreements For Region 10 and the Arapahoe County and The Opioids Settlement IGA, by unanimous vote.

Attorney McCormick led an in-depth legal training session with the Board.

Clerk's Comments – Deputy Clerk Parker reported that the next meeting is scheduled for June 20. She also presented a draft planning schedule for the boards review and approval. After brief discussion, the board agreed to move forward with the planning schedule and to send any items for addition to the schedule to CRS staff.

Mayor's Report – The Mayor reported that he resigned as President of the Bow Mar Water and Sanitation District last Tuesday but will stay on the board until the end of his term. Scott Wagner was elected as the new President. Mayor Sperry distributed a Bow Mar Roads Update email from Jason Miner. Mayor Sperry reported that official emails had been set up for himself, and Trustees O'Dell and Ramsden. The Mayor also said there was a lot of work to be done to clean up the Town's website.

Old Business - The board discussed the Berry Curve Project, and it was noted that plans are ready to bid. The Mayor distributed a cost estimate for the Berry Curve project. Trustee O'Dell moved to authorize the Town Engineer to begin the bidding process for the Berry Curve project. Seconded by Trustee Ramsden, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business -

Trustee Ramsden led a discussion about food trucks and requests from residents to close roads. The board discussed drafting guidelines for these types of events, noting that there is nothing in the code to address it, and there is a need to be consistent.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Bryan Sperry

Bryan Sperry, Mayor

Sue Blair

Sue Blair, Town Clerk