

TOWN OF BENNETT, COLORADO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
April 14, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Bennett met in regular session on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at the Bennett Town Hall, 355 4th Street, Bennett, Colorado. Mayor Sue Horn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following persons were present upon the call of the roll:

Mayor: Sue F. Horn

Trustees Present: Charles Bayley
Darvin Harrell
Grider Lee
Jim Pieters
Royce Pindell
Larry Vittum

Staff Present: Daymon Johnson, *Public Works Director*
Trish Stiles, *Town Administrator*
Rachel Summers, *Town Treasurer/Administrative Services*
Lynette F. White, *Town Clerk*

Public Present: Steven Vetter, Kay McClure, Deb Tapparo, Amanda Cronk, Matt Phillips, Karl Smalley, Terrance O'Neill, Tammy Twombly, Lee Page, Matthew Peterson, Carol Reska, Shay Reska, Gideon Reska, Deb Merkle, Cindy Horn

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sue Horn.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

TRUSTEE BAYLEY MOVED, TRUSTEE VITTUM SECONDED to approve the agenda as presented. The Mayor declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

TRUSTEE PINDELL MOVED, TRUSTEE LEE SECONDED to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voting was as follows:

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Action: Approve Regular Meeting minutes of March 24, 2015

B. Ordinance

1. Action: Approve Ordinance No. 651-15, an Ordinance amending the Bennett Municipal Code Concerning the Code Enforcement Officer and Authorizing the Bennett Fire Protection District to Issue Summons and Complaints

C. Proclamation

1. Action: Approve Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service. (*Mayor Sue Horn read the proclamation for the record*)

WHEREAS, service to others is a hallmark of the American character, and central to how we meet our challenges; and

WHEREAS, the nation's mayors are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet city needs; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps and Senior Corps address the most pressing challenges facing our cities and nation, from educating students for the jobs of the 21st century and supporting veterans and military families to preserving the environment and helping communities recover from natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, national service participants serve in more than 70,000 locations across the country, bolstering the civic, neighborhood, and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers demonstrate commitment, dedication, and patriotism by making an intensive commitment to service, a commitment that remains with them in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with mayors nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives, and strengthen communities; and is joining with the National League of Cities, City of Service, and mayors across the country to recognize the impact of service on the Mayors Day of Recognition for National Service on April 7, 2015.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that I, Sue F. Horn, Mayor of the Town of Bennett, Colorado, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2015 as National Service Recognition Day, and encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our town and thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to their communities.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Carol Reska, 460 Sixth Street, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance amending the Bennett Municipal Code to allow chickens and ducks on residential lots. Ms. Reska stated that a petition of the surrounding neighborhoods indicated agreement with the proposed ordinance.

6. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Action/Discussion Items

1. Town of Bennett 2014 Audit Presentation

Steve Dazzio, Dazzio and Plutt, LLC, presented the Town of Bennett 2014 Audit to the Board of Trustees and advised the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units and each major fund of the Town of Bennett, Colorado for the year ended December 31, 2014 were audited. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

2. Adams County Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Karl Smalley, Area Commander, Adams County Sheriff's Department provided a quarterly report on activities for the Bennett area which included the number of calls received, sight actions, arrests, criminal summons, and traffic citations. Commander Smalley also reviewed the statistics of the Town of Bennett in relation to West Adams County; and stressed that the cooperation of the community is key in notifying law enforcement of suspicious activity.

3. Arapahoe County Sheriff's Report

Lieutenant Tammy Twombly, Arapahoe County Sheriff's Department, provided a quarterly report on activities for the Town of Bennett, Arapahoe County. Lieutenant Twombly reviewed the number of calls received, reports and disposition of cases and stated that while there are no significant repeating or trouble addresses at this time, there have been issues with rodeos held in the area which have resulted in increased traffic and dui arrests on Kiowa-Bennett Road.

7. TOWN STAFF REPORTS

Town Clerk

Lynette White, Town Clerk, presented the following;

- Adams County Council of Governments Dinner -- Wednesday, April 29, 2015
- City of Aurora, State of the City Luncheon, Tuesday, May 12, 2015
- Adams County City Managers Lunch, hosted by the Town of Bennett -- Friday, May 8, 2015
- Adams County Mayors and Managers Breakfast, hosted by the Town of Bennett, Friday, May 15, 2015

Town Administrator

Trish Stiles, Town Administrator, discussed the following;

- Results of informal petition by citizens regarding the allowance of chickens and ducks in a residential area -- 77 signatures received in support
- Town of Bennett CDBG Funding, \$15,000, to be provided to Via Mobility Services to increase transportation shuttle service
- Update on grant funding for Bennett Regional Park and Open Space
- Youth Activity donation
- Scheduling of Board of Trustees Mid-Year Retreat -- July, 2015
- Colorado Health Foundation Grant to be utilized for Trupp Park development
- Economic Development Incentive Policy

Public Works Director

Daymon Johnson, Public Works Director, reviewed the following;

- Cracksealing Operations – April 13 – May 15, 2015
- Drilling of Replacement Well #3 (LFH)
- Training and Professional Development
- Well No. 9 repair

8. TRUSTEE COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Charles Bayley

Mayor Pro Tem Charles Bayley advised the Board he has been selected to attend the CDC Conference on Walkability in Nashville, TN.

Sue Horn

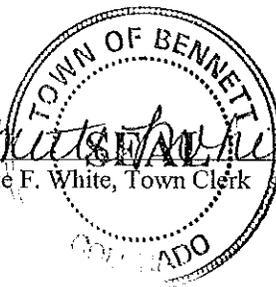
Mayor Sue Horn discussed the following;

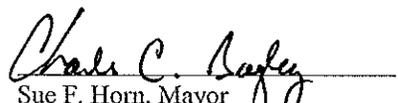
- TIF update
- Metro Transportation District
- New CDOT Executive Director
- Out of the Office, 2 weeks – April 17 – May 2, 2015

9. ADJOURNMENT

TRUSTEE PINDELL MOVED, TRUSTEE PIETERS SECONDED to adjourn the meeting. The Mayor declared the motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.


Lynette F. White, Town Clerk




Sue F. Horn, Mayor
Charles Bayley, Mayor Pro Tem