

Minutes

Board of Trustees – Firestone Town Hall
151 Grant Avenue, Firestone, CO 80520
7:00 p.m.

April 9, 2009

Regular Board Meeting

The Town Board of Trustees of the Town of Firestone met in regular session at Town Hall, 151 Grant Avenue, Firestone, Colorado. Mayor Chad Auer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with the following persons present:

Mayor: **Chad Auer**
Mayor Pro-tem: **Charlie Thomas**
Trustees: **Butch Walb**
Matt Holcomb
Darrell Walsh
Paul Sorensen
Kelly Morgan

Also present were: **Cheri Andersen, Town Manager**
Wes LaVanchy, Director of Operations
Judy Hegwood, Town Clerk, CMC
Sam Light, Town Attorney
Bruce Nickerson, Town Planner
Dave Lindsay, Town Engineer
David Montgomery, Chief of Police
Pete Ditmon, Public Communications Coordinator
Carl Nelson, Finance Director

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All rose for Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. There were eleven Cub Scouts in attendance to lead the Pledge; each was given a Certificate and a Firestone Centennial Pin.

PRESENTATIONS

Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Director of Operations Wes LaVanchy introduced the GFOA Certificate of Achievement Award, giving recognition to Ms. Susan Watkins, Senior Accountant and Mr. Carl Nelson, Finance Director. Mayor Pro-tem Thomas presented the Plaque for excellence in financial reporting. The Town of Firestone has received this award in 2008 and 2009.

Introduction of New Police Officer Curtis Sassons

Police Chief David Montgomery introduced Officer Sassons to the Board of Trustees, stating that Officer Sassons has been with the Town of Firestone for three months.

Introduction of New Canine Officer Sean Haynes and Condor the New Police Dog

Police Chief David Montgomery introduced Officer Haynes and Condor, the Police K-9 to the Board of Trustees. Condor has a nickname of Re-Con, and is currently going through bite training. Chief Montgomery thanked Officer Haynes for his dedication.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Auer called for additions, deletions or changes to the agenda. Director of Operations Wes LaVanchy added the Boulder County Tree Purchase Contract, as item 7A under Action Items. Trustee Holcomb moved and Trustee Morgan seconded, to approve the agenda, as amended. Voice vote taken. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- a. *Approval of April 2009 Accounts Payable*
- b. *Approval of Minutes – April 2, 2009 Regular Meeting*

Trustee Holcomb moved and Trustee Walb seconded, to approve the consent agenda, as submitted. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There was no audience participation.

PUBLIC HEARING

BURGER KING AT FIRESTONE CITY CENTRE FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Mayor Auer opened the public hearing at 7:17 p.m.

Town Planner Bruce Nickerson gave a Power Point Presentation and an overview of the Final Development Plan, entering the Power Point into the record. The location is northwest of Home Depot, off of Firestone Boulevard. The building will be 3338 square feet in size, 104 seats inside with a play area, 33 parking spaces, bike racks, a trash enclosure, a mixture of plants, a retaining wall to separate the pad site from the drainage channel, and outdoor lighting.

Mayor Auer explained the development process this far to the cub scouts.

Mayor Auer swore in Mr. Ron Girks. Mr. Girks addressed the Board of Trustees, giving testimony and showing a Power Point of the landscaping plan, outdoor eating tables, and stating that the circulation of traffic will not be a problem in this area due to a sign that will show the traffic where to go, for even flow. The building will be stucco and brick with four-sided architecture. Mr. Girks commented that this project has already gone out for bids.

Public Comment

There was public comment from the following citizen:

1. Ms. Michelle Boswell was sworn in by Mayor Auer. Ms. Boswell asked if the Burger King on the west side of I-25 will be closed. Mr. Girks said the Burger King on the west side of I-25 will be closed and the existing employees will be moving over to this new facility.

Town Planner Bruce Nickerson stated that the Planning Commission recommended approval of the application.

Mayor Auer closed the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

Board Comment

The Board asked how many outdoor seats are planned, the time table for beginning construction, and the expected opening date. Mr. Girks answered that two tables and 4 seats are planned. Discussion. The Board agreed they would like to see more tables and Mr. Girks agreed, stating that he would be happy to put in more tables. He stated that the bidding is in process and construction could easily be started by June 2009 taking between 110 to 120 days for completion.

Town Planner Bruce Nickerson stated that the facility will be open 24 hours and there is opportunity for eight jobs per three hour shifts.

Attorney Sam Light stated that the seating can be addressed in the resolution of approval, by changing the language to read a minimum of three or more tables. The applicant agreed to the change to the resolution.

Ms. Crystal Krall, of Burger King, gave the Cub Scouts gift certificates to Burger King.

Resolution No. 09-11

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BURGER KING AT FIRESTONE CITY CENTRE

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Sorensen seconded, to adopt Resolution No. 011. Roll call vote was taken. Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

BOULDER COUNTY TREE PURCHASE CONTRACT

Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Morgan seconded, to approve the expenditure, not to exceed \$7,198.00, for the contract to purchase 203 trees from Boulder County. Roll call vote was taken. 6-Yea; 0-Nay. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION

GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – CLEARWATER SOLUTIONS

Director of Operations Wes LaVanchy recommended entering into an Engineering Service Agreement with Clearwater Solutions. This will be an action item at the next meeting.

WCR 7 & 26 IMPROVEMENTS – MEAD HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION ISSUES – FUNDING OF IMPROVEMENTS

Town Manager Cheri Andersen explained that Town Engineer Dave Lindsay has been the primary contact with all of the parties involved regarding WCR 7 & 26. There have been several discussions on how to fund this project prior to Mead High School opening in August 2009. The School District is going to pull funds out of the cash-in-lieu from the feeder area, using County funds. They have not contacted any other municipalities for funding of this project.

Town Engineer Dave Lindsay said that they are trying to square off the curve on WCR 26, and three alternatives that have been put together for this project. Adding a guardrail, water and phone lines need to be relocated, the existing driveway leading to the farmhouse will need to stay, and the construction cost estimate is \$50 to \$60 thousand dollars.

Town Manager Cheri Andersen asked the Board how they would like to proceed. The Board agreed that the School District should go to all of the communities involved for funding and if so, the Town would agree to 1/5 of the cost. Discussion. The County could be considered as one portion, so it could be 1/6 of the cost to each community involved. Town Manager Cheri Andersen will take the information back to the School District at her next meeting with the District.

FIRESTONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING SITE AND ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPTS

Town Manger Cheri Andersen introduced the Kugel property site, known as Central Park, and the idea for the new Town Administration Building.

Town Planner Bruce Nickerson showed a Power Point presentation of the site and stated that this project was discussed at Planning Commission and has gone through the public process. The Planning Commission has recently recommended to move the location of the Administration building from the west lot location on Park Avenue to a lot on the east side of Park Avenue.

Town Engineer Dave Lindsay stated that the water features are in the Master plan and this area will be the hub for the town's raw water. The new administration building address would be 2 Park Avenue, and the earliest this building could be completed is 2011, with an estimated cost of \$3,012,270.00. The Town received a DOLA Grant for the design that expires on December 31, 2009. To utilize the grant, it needs to be completed by the first of May, 2009 and the design needs to be started by July 1, 2009. The design will take about six months, and it will take an estimated two months to select an architect. The design budget is an estimated \$291,510.00. The Police Department would keep the current Town Hall, and the board room would be used for Court.

Mayor Auer asked that technical grants and lead certification to be looked into for this project. Town Manager Cheri Andersen said she would look into these.

Town Engineer Dave Lindsay stated that he would have the design RFP (request for proposal) ready for the next meeting.

Trustee Holcomb said this is a beautiful location, but in a location that is not going to grow, and suggested a more efficient place for the new administration building, such as WCR 15, for a more regional area.

Trustee Thomas asked that a modular design be looked into so that there is room for expansion. This needs to be a walkable area, with a court-yard, and outside tables.

Trustee Walb said public input is needed and wants a Leads Leader, for this type of building.

Attorney Sam Light stated that the RFP could require the architect responsible for holding public meetings.

Trustee Thomas and Trustee Walb agree that the square footage of the new building is too small, and requested that the Board get copies of the change in lots, the building size, and the design.

FIRESTONE BOULEVARD-WCR 19 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT ALTERNATIVES

Town Engineer Dave Lindsay stated that there are three alternatives, to add flashers to stop sign, add sign on WCR 19 to alert people about the intersection, and to lower the speed limit on WCR 19. Engineer Lindsay recommends alternative #1, which is to lower the speed limit on WCR 19. The Board agreed to go with alternative #1 with Trustee Holcomb recommending doing nothing. Engineer Lindsay said there may be a CDOT Grant that could be submitted by next Friday to help with the cost.

COMMUNITY SURVEY

Director of Operations Wes LaVanchy stated that information has been gathered regarding the community survey, handing out the City of Arvada's citizens survey to the Board asking the Board to let staff know what they like and do not like in the survey. Staff will then draft a survey for the Town.

TRUSTEE FORUM

Director of Operations Wes LaVanchy asked how the Board would like to conduct Trustee Forums. Discussion. Mayor Auer likes the table at events, and Trustee Morgan suggested holding a Forum at one place on week day evening, or once

a month, an hour before a Board meeting. The Board agreed to have a table/tent at events for citizens to ask questions, and they will look into the suggestions that were discussed. The next planned event is Earth Day on April 25, 2009.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There was no citizen participation.

STAFF REPORTS

Mayor Auer stated that Staff Reports were reported electronically.

Town Planner Bruce Nickerson (1) showed the Board of Trustees that the word “committed” was taken off of the Time Capsule (2) showed a Power Point presentation of Mountain Shadows Park (3) showed a Power Point of the standard Parks sign that will be utilized in all new town parks, it is a metal sign and is grey/blue in color. Discussion. The color of the sign will be brought back before the Board, showing several different color options (4) the St. Vrain State Park tour went very well on Wednesday, April 8, 2009.

Public Communications Coordinator Pete Ditmon (1) the Easter Egg Hunt is this week-end and there will be four Police Officers on duty (2) the deadline for scholarships is Friday, April 10, 2009 (3) Earth day is April 25, 2009 and 300 trees will be given away (4) reported that Staples in Longmont is recycling printers.

BOARD REPORTS

Trustee Holcomb stated that the new liquor ordinance applies to liquor stores.

Trustee Morgan (1) April 19, 2009 is Authors Day at the Carbon Valley Library from 10 to 4, 12 authors will be present, and all are from Colorado. Elitch tickets will be available for \$19.99 and included with that is a \$10.00 dollar off coupon and free hot dog to use by September 2009 (2) attended two CML classes on recyclables, and a man at the seminar does recycling programs and she has asked him to attend the Towns Clean Up day to give a presentation on recycling, and the programs available.

Mayor Chad Auer (1) Upstate Colorado has a fund raising campaign going on and this is an opportunity for Firestone to participate (2) Carbon Valley Relay for Life has plaques for the Town (3) He and Pete Ditmon have been working on getting the Denver Orchestra to come to Firestone for future concerts (4) Coal Ridge Middle School Orientation as done very good and went very well, people came to look at the school even if they had no children attending.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, Trustee Thomas moved and Trustee Morgan seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

TOWN OF FIRESTONE, COLORADO

Chad Auer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Judy L. Hegwood, Town Clerk, CMC

READ AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF April, 2009.