

## **Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, April 18, 2001**

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the **ESTES PARK URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY** of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in the Municipal Building in said Town of Estes Park on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001.

Commissioners: Steve Jackson, Tamara Jarolimek, Richard S. Putney, Paula Steige, Gerald W. Swank, Al Wasson, Rich Widmer

Attending: Jackson, Jarolimek, Putney, Steige, Swank, Wasson, Widmer

Absent: None

Also Attending: Executive Director Smith, Deputy Town Clerk van Deutekom

Chairman Putney called the regular meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

### **AGENDA**

Executive Director Smith requested amending the agenda to include the addition of Resolution 295 following the Rocky Mountain National Park presentation. There being no objection, the Agenda was approved with the noted addition.

### **MINUTES**

It was **moved and seconded** (Steige/Jarolimek) **the minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 2001 be approved as presented**, and it passed unanimously.

### **COMMISSIONER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Wasson reported that the Internet Access Task Force made its final report to the Town Board and has disbanded.

Town Administrator Widmer presented a letter, sent to the Mayor, regarding relocation of the Post Office and downtown gas station. Discussion was held regarding efforts to explain EPURA projects and the importance of involving all citizens in the process.

Chairman Putney noted that Commissioners are receiving letters regarding fences along the golf course and explained that these areas are not within the EPURA boundaries. The decision to fence these areas will be made by the Estes Valley Recreational and Park District and the Town, not EPURA.

### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

None.

**DRAFT ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK (RMNP) BACKCOUNTRY AND WILDERNESS MANAGEMENT PLAN**. Tim Devine/RMNP presented the RMNP Backcountry and Wilderness Management Plan slide presentation. Areas discussed included development of the Management Plan and Environmental Assessment, resource management, public use and support, and Park visitation and management.

Executive Director Smith read Resolution 295 endorsing the RMNP Backcountry and Wilderness Management Plan. It was moved (Wasson) to approve Resolution 295 as presented and the motion died for lack of a second. Discussion was held regarding the Resolution wording, and it was agreed that the sentence "This endorsement is independent of earlier comments from the Town of Estes Park, in the form of a letter from Mayor Baudek" be replaced with "This endorsement is sensitive to the concerns and interests of the Mayor and staff of the Town of Estes Park." Following all discussion, it was **moved and seconded** (Wasson/Widmer) **that Resolution 295 be approved with the change noted above**, and it passed unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 294 – AMENDING THE BYLAWS FOR TIME ALLOCATED TO PUBLIC COMMENT.** Executive Director Smith read Resolution 294 amending the Bylaws to ensure consistency in time allocated to public comment. Bylaw changes require a 30-day notice, therefore, Resolution 294 will be presented at the May meeting for approval.

**WALKWAY WESTWARD PROJECT PRIORITIES - DISCUSSION.** Executive Director Smith distributed Walkway Westward Phasing Priority Worksheets and discussed possible open house sessions to share information with the public, especially property and business owners in the immediate project area. Town Administrator Widmer recommended mailing invitations to the open house sessions to encourage citizen dialogue.

**PROJECT REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**Executive Director's Report.** Executive Director Smith discussed the Stanley Village project and Transportation Study.

There being no further business, Chairman Putney adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

The next regular meeting will be May 16, 2001 at 8:00 a.m.

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Rebecca van Deutekom, Deputy Town Clerk