

Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, June 9, 2009

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in the Town Hall in said Town of Estes Park on the 9th day of June, 2009. Meeting called to order by Mayor Pinkham.

Present: Mayor William C. Pinkham
Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Levine
Trustees Eric Blackhurst
Dorla Eisenlauer
John Ericson
Richard Homeier
Jerry Miller

Also Present: Greg White, Town Attorney
Jacquie Halburnt, Town Administrator
Lowell Richardson, Deputy Town Administrator
Jackie Williamson, Town Clerk

Absent: None

Mayor Pinkham called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and all desiring to do so, recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Irene Little/Town Citizen and Co-chair for LWV provided an update on the reusable bag challenge and stated 10,628 bags were saved in May, up from last month. She again urged the Town to adopt an ordinance to ban plastic bags or at a minimum charge for the use of plastic bags. She invited the community to attend one of the upcoming open houses for the Estes Park Memorial Observatory on Saturdays, June 13th and 27th, July 11th and 25th, and August 15th and 29th at 8:30 p.m. Rocky Mountain National Park will also hold observing sessions on June 12th and 26th, July 10th and 24th, August 14th and 28th at 8:30 p.m. in Upper Beaver Meadows.

Paul Newendorp/Town citizen and member of Sustainable Mountain Living (SML) extended an invitation to the Town Board to a community-wide Town Hall meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Board Room to discuss the future of Estes Valley. SML would present the Estes Valley Transition Initiative, a plan for creating a low-energy, resilient and sustainable future.

David Habecker/Town citizen requested the Town Board refrain from reciting the 'under God' Pledge of Allegiance at Board meetings.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS.

Trustee Blackhurst reminded the public that the Estes Park Housing Authority meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2009 has been cancelled.

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Town Board Meeting Minutes dated May 26, 2009.
2. Bills.
3. Committee Minutes:

A. Public Safety, May 21, 2009

It was **moved and seconded** (Levine/Miller) **to approve the consent agenda**, and it passed unanimously.

2. ACTION ITEMS:

1. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT.

- MSNBC recently produced a story on the elk in Estes Park and can be viewed at <http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/3032619/vp/31123887#31123887>.
- The Town held a premier viewing of the new Estes Park DVD entitled “A Great Place to Visit, A Great Place to Live” on Monday, June 8, 2009.
- Reported the yellow discoloration of the water is due to an excessive amount of decaying leaves and needles in the water system. The color has not been addressed by the temporary water treatment facilities because full chemical treatment cannot be completed with these units.
- Safeway has submitted a formal application for a gas station across from the CVB. This application would be conducted as a staff level review per the Development Code and would not be presented at a Planning Commission meeting. The application can be reviewed on the Town’s website or in the Community Development.
- The proposed IGA between the Town and EPURA would be presented to the EPURA Board at their next meeting for their review prior to Town Board consideration. The IGA would be presented at the July 14th Town Board meeting.

The Board expressed their appreciation for the letter of support from the Volunteer Firefighters on the proposed Fire District.

Whereupon Mayor Pinkham adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

William Pinkham, Mayor

Jackie Williamson, Town Clerk