

TOWN OF GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS
Regular Board of Trustee Meeting
November 20, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.

MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present

Mayor Jane Newberry
Trustee Chris Quinn
Trustee Katharine Guthrie
Trustee Margaret Peterson (arrived 7:12)

Board Members Absent

Trustee Tyler Stevens

Town Attorney

Not present

Interim Town Manager

Jason Wells

Public Works

Not present

Interim Town Clerk

Judy Egbert

Marshal's Dept.

Virgil Hodges

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Newberry called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Additions, Deletions, or Corrections to the Agenda

Mayor Newberry moved, seconded by Trustee Guthrie, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes November 6, 2018
- b. Approve Board of Trustee Regular Meeting Minutes November 6, 2018
- c. Bring Into Record Bills Run November 20, 2018

Mayor Newberry moved, seconded by Trustee Guthrie, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. New Business

- a. **Intent to Participate, El Paso County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan**

Trustee Quinn moved, seconded by Trustee Guthrie, to approve the intent to participate as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

5. OLD BUSINESS – None.

6. PUBLIC INPUT – 3 Minutes Per Speaker

Dick Bratton invited everyone to the Tree Lighting Festival on November 24.

Note: Trustee Peterson arrived at 7:12 p.m. at this point in the meeting.

Mr. Bratton also noted that there is a Comprehensive Plan Town Hall meeting on December 11 at 6:00 p.m.

Felipe Nardo, Reserve Officer, reported on Shop With A Cop event. Kids are paired with an officer who takes them to McDonalds for breakfast and Wal Mart for shopping. Donations are being accepted.

Lisa Huizenega spoke regarding the lodging occupation tax, saying that her understanding was that the \$4.50 fee was per facility rather than per room.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

a. Planning Commission Minutes November 13, 2018

The Board acknowledged the minutes as presented.

8. REPORTS

a. Trustees

Trustee Guthrie reported that she had been asked by citizens for clarification of the lodging occupation tax. The Board noted that motels pay a higher property tax rate. The \$4.50 per occupied room per night applies equally to short term rentals and motels.

Mr. Wells reviewed the process that lead up to calculating the rate and ordinance language. The ballot question allows "up to" \$4.50, while the adopted ordinance specifies \$4.50. The Board could potentially lower the rate by ordinance. Changing the structure of the fee applied per occupied room per night would require an election change.

Trustee Peterson encouraged support of the Shop With A Cop program.

Mayor Newberry reported that CUSP forest mitigation is continuing.

b. Town Manager

Mr. Wells reviewed his report. He added that any potential reduction to the lodging occupation fee should be considered in reducing revenues during the upcoming budget adoption.

c. Town Clerk

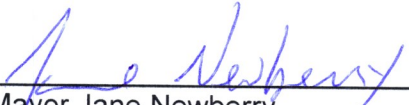
Ms. Egbert reported that Laura Kotewa has accepted the job offer for the Town Clerk/Treasurer position and will be sworn in at the next meeting.

She asked the Board's desire regarding the regular meeting that would fall on January 1. The Board asked to tentatively cancel that meeting, pending agenda needs.

d. Marshal. No report

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.



Mayor Jane Newberry



Judy A. Egbert