



Town of Green Mountain Falls
Board of Trustees Special Meeting Agenda
Thursday, April 30, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present

Mayor Jane Newberry
Trustee Katharine Guthrie
Trustee Margaret Peterson

Town Manager

Angie Sprang

Board Members Absent

Trustee Chris Quinn
Trustee Dyani Loo

Town Clerk/Treasurer

Nathan Scott

Called to order at 6:35 pm, adjourned at 7:17 pm.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Newberry called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. Roll was taken

2. Additions, Deletions, or Corrections to the Agenda

- a. No changes to agenda noted. Mayor Newberry moves to approve the agenda. Trustee Peterson seconds. Vote: all ayes, motion carries.

3. New Business

- a. 4th of July Celebration - Low Proximity Fireworks Proposal:
 - i. Mr. Stroope: thanks for convening, company has cancelation; block party scheduled for July 4. Fireworks could be done regardless of 10-person rule or not. Met with Tristate in GMF, scoping out locations. Best location is determined to be gazebo island and the

- bridge. Package is a 6-minute show choreographed to patriotic music. Time of day is not set yet. Assume it would be around 9pm.
- ii. Sharon from tristate – close-proximity fireworks are actually pyrotechnics that are used for places within 50-60 feet of crowds. Fallout is very minimal. Fall within a few feet of the devices, easy cleanup. No hot fallout of any time. No duds. There is noise, but not as loud as traditional fireworks.
 - iii. Chief Murphy: familiar with these devices. Manitou did it from rooftops one year. He doesn't have a concern. But would recommend changing terminology from fireworks to pyrotechnic show to be more accurate and ease fears of fire.
 - iv. Insurance: Green Box would have an additional policy to the vendor's for two policies in place, at least \$2million each. Trustee Peterson: should consult with CIRSA. Ms. Sprang: no personal or property damage coverage? Sharon: Tristate policy would cover any incident. They have never had a claim in 20 years. They inspected the site and have no concerns.
 - v. Discussed Safer at Home order: rescheduling an option? Mr. Stroope: the hope is still that the pyrotechnics would go on even with the restriction – town can watch from distance. Marshal Hodges: concern over manpower if people are sitting in cars in streets and clogging the roads. Sharon: They offer a reschedule date – in case the governor's order is the same or goes back to Stay at Home.
 - vi. Mr. Stroope: Green Box is open to hiring additional officers as part of the block party permit if necessary. And have planning sessions to cover any concerns and details.
 - vii. Ms. Sprang: recommends against the event because of the potential crowds – with other communities postponing July 4 celebrations, there could be a large crowd.
 - viii. Marshal Hodges: what is the concern regarding different Fire Ban situations? Chief Murphy: professional fireworks or pyrotechnics are always OK in Fire Ban situations, regardless of the stage.
 - ix. Mayor Newberry moves to approve the Pyrotechnics Show on July 4, with a potential reschedule date and with the understanding that CIRSA and the Town attorney think everything is OK. Trustee Peterson seconds. No further discussion. Vote: all ayes, motion carries.

4. Reports:

- a. Trustee Peterson:
 - i. Comment and suggestion: would be cool to have the town employees as part of the Still Ute Pass photo project. Could still social distance. Photographer has time Friday afternoon. Angie will respond and try to schedule something but reminded that the 50% office rule is in effect.
 - ii. Thanks to Public Works crew for the water fountain installation.
- b. Mayor Newberry: Reminder that we are still in Safer at Home, most staff work is still remote. She appreciates everyone's dedication and effort, particularly Angie's work with Teller County. Reminder to the Board of sunshine law considering all the remote work being done.

5. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Jane Newberry, Mayor

Nathan Scott, Town Clerk/Treasurer