

**TOWN OF GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS**  
**Regular Board of Trustee Meeting**  
**March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Board Members Present**

Mayor Todd Dixon  
Trustee Katharine Guthrie  
Trustee Nick Donzello  
Trustee Sean Ives  
Trustee Sunde King

**Town Manager**

Becky Frank

**Town Clerk**

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**Board Members Absent**

**Town Attorney**

**Marshal's Dept**

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

Mayor Dixon called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A tech check was conducted. All Board members were present in-person.

**2. Additions, Deletions, or Corrections to the Agenda**

Trustee Guthrie made a motion to approve and accept the agenda, as amended, seconded by Trustee Donzello. Motion passed unanimously. Resolution 2024-03 was added to the agenda as item 6E.

**3. Reports**

Mayor Dixon reported on the success of the Public Works Department in dealing with the large volumes of snow from the recent storm.

The Town manager presented a staff report on behalf of the Marshal's Office.

The Town Clerk presented a Q1 Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet). The Town manager discussed including a PowerPoint presentation as part of the future financial reporting.

The Town Manager reported on CAIC doing an evaluation about avalanche hazard in Green Mountain Falls. They found that the Town was not in danger after the recent large snow fall. She invited Board Members to join staff at the 2024 Colorado Municipal League Conference.

**4. Public Comment**

**None**

**5. Public Hearing- Conditional Use Permit at 10325 HWY 24.**

Mayor Dixon opened the Public Hearing at 7:15pm.

Ben Thurston of Baseline Engineering gave background and details about the proposed Horse Wellness Center.

The applicant, Jesse Stroope, discussed the application with the Board and Staff. TM explained the process and timeline. Mr. Stroope voiced a complaint about the timeline and how some steps in the process could have been taken concurrently to expedite the process. Brandy Morales made a public comment about the project being in keeping with GMF's historic traditions as well as the positive community resource that it would be. Mayor Dixon closed the public hearing at 7:30pm.

## **6. Business**

### **6A) Conditional Use Permit at 10325 HWY 24.**

Trustee Ives recused himself from the vote citing his relationship with Historic GMF Foundation (HGMFF). Trustee Guthrie, seconded by Trustee Donzello, motioned to approve the conditions. Trustee King and Mayor Dixon voted to approve. Tally: 4 yes & 1 recusal.

### **6B) National Library Week Proclamation**

The Branch Manager of the Ute Pass Library presented the proclamation in which the Mayor read in full. Trustee Donzello motioned to approve NLW 2024, seconded by Trustee Guthrie. Motion passed unanimously.

### **6C) Child Abuse Prevention Proclamation**

A Department of Human Services representative read the proclamation recognizing Child Abuse Prevention month. Trustee Donzello motioned to approve, seconded by Trustee Guthrie. Motion passed unanimously.

### **6D) Broadband Study**

Office of Information & Technology & RESPEC spend 6 weeks examining the speed, availability & reliability of internet service in GMF. The Town was found to have generally reliable internet (100mb/sec download & 20mb/sec upload). RESPEC recommended pursuit of fiber cable in the future.

### **6E) Resolution 2024-03 Local Disaster Emergency Declaration**

The TM discussed the declaration and the need to have this in place incase the Town needs to apply for FEMA or DOLA funding. The Town did incur substantial over-time spending in dealing with the large amount of snow recently. Trustee Donzello motioned to approe, seconded by Trustee Guthrie. Motion approved unanimously.

## **6. Correspondence**

### **6. Discussion Items**

### **7. Public Comment**

Brandy Morales made a public comment that broadband reliability is an issue in her central GMF location and encouraged continued work to improve service in Town.

### **8. Adjournment**

At 8:20pm Mayor Dixon called to Adjourn the meeting.