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Town Council

Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 17, 2023

4:00 PM

130 Kearns Road

Town Council Chambers

Snowmass Village, CO, 81615

Mayor Madsen called to order the Regular Meeting of the Snowmass Village Town Council on Monday April 17, 2023, at 4:00 pm.

A complete live recording of this meeting can be found at www.tosv.com under Town Council Meetings. This meeting will be archived indefinitely, allowing you to view it anytime.

1) CALL TO ORDER

4pm

2) ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Bill Madsen, Alyssa Shenk, Susan Marolt, Britta Gustafson & Tom Fridstein.

Council Members Absent: none.

Staff Present: Clint Kinney, Town Manager; Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney; Greg LeBlanc, Assistant Town Manager; Marianne Rakowski, Finance Director; Sam Guarino, Transportation Director; Anne Martens, Public Works Director; Jim Wahlstrom, Senior Planner; and Megan Boucher, Town Clerk.

Public Present: Matt Qwest, Erin Pelton, Tim McMahon, Angela Henderson, Jay Shumaker, Mary Blankenau and Dwayne Romero.

3) PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

4) PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5) CONSENT AGENDA

5.A) [2023 Agenda Overview](#)

[Pages 4-6 2023 Agenda Overview](#) 

Councilmember Shenk would like to add to a future Work Session a discussion on workforce housing parameters and possible expansion to include other entities like local school district and hospital employees. Council decided to add it to the May 8th Work Session. Shenk also suggested an upcoming discussion on a dog park in SMV and leash laws. Kinney mentioned POSTR Board's past talks and recommendation to Council to not have a Dog Park and that the e-bike and leash law discussion will be in front of POSTR and then come to council with a recommendation soon. Shenk encouraged this discussion to continue so that if Council decided to make any changes, they would be in place by summer and able to be communicated to the community.

Councilmember Fridstein reflected on the recent EAB presentation to Council. Fridstein suggested that Holy Cross present at a work session to further explain the proposed rate change. Kinney said we can invite them and get it on a future work session.

Mayor Madsen notified that he will be out May 1st and 8th.

Councilmember Marolt would like to a discussion added to a future agenda regarding opportunities for Councilmembers to interact with community stakeholders and what capacity Councilmembers might be able to participate in Town advisory boards and commission. Kinney will aim for May 1st or 8th.

5.B) Minutes for Approval

[Pages 7-12 04-03-23 TC Minutes - DRAFT](#) 

No edits from Council.

5.C) [Ordinance No. 04, Series 2023 RE Financial Update 2nd Reading](#)

[Pages 13-15 Agenda Item Summary - Financial Update and Ordinance No. 4 2023-2nd Reading](#) 

[Pages 16-18 Ordinance 04, 2023 - 2nd Reading-Budget Revisions 2023](#) 

[Pages 19-46 2022 Year-end Financial Update & 2023 revisions -Council](#) 

Mayor Madsen asked for clarification regarding "personal services" payroll and payroll benefits. Councilmember Marolt asked for clarification on fund balances and the carryover projects. Rakowski clarified and reminded Council about the payroll market adjustment, staff changes and that some projects were continued.

Councilmember Fridstein motioned to approve the Consent Agenda including Ordinance No. 4, Series 2023 on second reading. Councilmember Shenk seconded. Rollcall vote. All in favor.

6) [**PUBLIC HEARINGS - QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS**](#)

6.A) Mall Transit Station

[Pages 47-50 Agenda Item Summary - Transit Center Special Review](#) 

[Pages 51-55 Transit Center Applicant Summary Memo](#) 

[Pages 56-79 Transit Center - Architectural Renderings](#) 

[Pages 80-88 Proposed Construction Phasing](#) 

[Pages 89-95 Referral Comments](#) 

[Pages 96-130 Public Comments](#) 

[PC Resolution No. 2 of 2023](#) 

Mayor opened the Public Hearing.

Community Development Director Dave Shinneman introduced the Special Review Application and briefly summarized the item and attached documents from the packet. Shinneman, Kinney and Town Attorney Conklin further explained the process and staff recommendations.

Sam Guarino introduced Matt Qwost, from RA Nelson, Alex Juach from SEH Architects, and Erin Pelton from CDOT. Guarino presented updated materials and designs from the packet regarding the project.

Mayor and Councilmembers recognized all the good work the team has put into this project. Council expressed being in favor of a project to tackle the current and future transportation needs. Council stated that timing might not be right, additional public

support should be sought and suggested exploring other possible plans. Safety remains a concern for all members.

Guarino described aspects of the federal funding including the expiration of those funds as well as them being attached to a specific design. This federal funding expires and cannot be used for a new design.

Erin Pelton and CDOT confirmed Guarino's information regarding CDOT and federal funds.

Fridstein asked if additional designs could be quickly considered in an effort to hold onto CDOT and Federal funding. Kinney expressed challenges and walls to any quick action but staff intention is indeed to exhaust all possibilities in an effort to hold onto funds.

Public Comment:

Tim McMahon - Incline Sport – He agreed that the benefits are great for an improved transportation hub but the 40 month build out / phased construction seemed very challenging and worried how businesses could survive during such a long project. Business community is excited for something but truly worried for such a large build.

Dwayne Romero - Romero Group – He expressed disappointment that the project had come this far and not able to get it done. SMV is going to have to do this at some point. He hopes Council will lean in and direct staff to find a project that will work. He recommends doing more hard work and finding a redesign to present. Town needs an improved public transport solution. Get a new design to PC and then to Council so that the Town can secure funding.

Kinney clarified that this project meets the goals. The goals will need to change.

Town Manager Kinney withdrew the application.

Council asked for this to be added to a Council meeting as soon as possible to discuss next steps with goals and new designs for this project.

7) POLICY/LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS

7.A) [Ordinance No. 03, Series 2023 RE Parking and Traffic Code Amendments 2nd Reading](#)

[Pages 131-133](#) [Agenda Item Summary - Parking Code changes](#)

[Pages 134-135](#) [PH Publication Notice - TC 4-17-2023 - Parking code changes](#)

[Pages 136-139](#) [TC Ord 03, 2023 - Parking & Traffic Code Amdts - 2ND READING](#)

[Pages 140-149 Off-street parking standards & traffic codes - REDLINE](#) 

[Pages 150-151 Parking Space Cost Averages](#) 

[Pages 152-153 TOSV Employee Affordable Housing Unit Mix & Parking Info](#) 

[Pages 154-155 Housing Memo CDD on Parking 4-11-23](#) 

Senior Planner Jim Wahlstrom summarized the background, Ordinance and attachments for Council to consider. No changes to the Ordinance from first reading approval. Staff recommends approval.

Council discussion included suggesting additional language to the table on minimal standards to clarify that it is for both free market and employee housing, how to regulate parking spaces being used for vehicles rather than storage, the practice of workforce housing residents to also purchase numbered lots parking permits, and restaurant outdoor seating not changing the need for parking spaces.

No public comment.

Councilmember Shenk motioned to approve on second reading Ordinance No. 03, Series 2023. Councilmember Marolt seconded. Roll call vote. All in favor.

8) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8.A) [Rio Grande Railroad Corridor - History & Background](#)

[Pages 156-157 Agenda Item Summary Rio Grande Railroad Corridor ? History & Background](#) 

[Pages 158-184 RFTA Railroad Corridor History -SV Presentation - updated](#) 

Sam introduced Angela Henderson from RFTA. Angela presented powerpoint from the packet. A brief discussion followed.

8.B) [Brush Creek Culvert Update](#)

[Pages 185-186 Agenda Item Summary - Brush Creek Culvert Update 04.12.2023](#) 

[Pages 187 Brush Creek Cross Sections \(page 7\)](#) 

[Pages 188 Culvert Project Flyer alt small](#) 

Public Works Director Anne Martens summarized and updated the Council on the current paving project along Brush and Owl and the opportunity to get it done early. This is just a 2/3 day project.

Martens followed by updating Council on the Culvert Project and other materials from the packet.

Town Attorney Jeff Conklin explained some details regarding the easements along the culvert project area. Conklin further proposes a clean-up of the easement for clarity and preservation of the green belt area.

Council and staff further discussed that the gas-line project is part of the plan, traffic control during the project, rapid flash beacons at Meadow Ranch and west of the fire station, partnering with Aspen School District & RFTA with traffic concerns, community outreach and push to communicate information to public about the project, and the temporary one lane road during Labor Day Festival for resident access.

Additional updates at additional meetings in the coming months.

9) TOWN COUNCIL REPORTS AND ACTIONS

Councilmember Fridstein has an upcoming CORE meeting and will continue to discuss concerns regarding electric rates and sustainability.

Mayor Madsen has an upcoming Nordic Council with Marolt.

Councilmembers Gustafson and Marolt had nothing to report.

Councilmember Shenk reported on the RFTA meeting and their upcoming retreat in June. The 27th St Bridge Project will be starting soon. They are mindful of the heavy traffic time in the morning and afternoon and plan no lane closures during that time. April 2023 - Oct 2024 in phases. Shenk also attended Sister Cities - Garmisch Students and Bariloche Students were both visiting this last week. Special thanks to TOSV for allowing the students to use the TOSV Recreation center.

10) EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.A) Executive Session

[Pages 189 Agenda Item Summary - Executive Session](#) 

Madsen read the legal language for the Executive Session. At 6:12 pm Councilmember Fridstein motioned to go into Executive Session. Councilmember Shenk seconded. All in favor. Councilmember Marolt absent.

At 7:25 pm, Mayor Madsen moved to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the Regular Meeting, Councilmember Fridstein seconded. All in favor. Councilmember Marolt absent.

Immediately following, Councilmember Shenk moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting, Councilmember Gustafson seconded. All in favor. Councilmember Marolt absent.

11) ADJOURNMENT

The Snowmass Village Town Council approved this set of meeting minutes at their Regular Meeting on Monday, May 15, 2023.

Submitted By,



Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk