



**Town Council
Town Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 16, 2023**

4:00 PM

130 Kearns Road

Town Council Chambers

Snowmass Village, CO, 81615

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Mayor Madsen called to order the Regular Meeting of the Snowmass Village Town Council on Tuesday October 16, 2023, at 4:00 pm.

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1) CALL TO ORDER

4:00pm

Mayor Madsen asked for a moment of silence in recognition of recent tragic events in our world.

2) ROLL CALL

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

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Clint Kinney, Town Manager; Jeff Conklin, Town Attorney; Greg LeBlanc, Assistant Town Manager; Anne Martens, Public Works Director; Mike Horvath, Town Engineer; Brian McNellis, Senior Planner; Dave Shinneman, Community Development Director; and Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk.

Public Present: Charles Hess, John Orton, Lucy Peterson, Phil Sirianni, Sam Light and Andrew Berglund.

3) **PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

3.A) [CIRSA Update - Sam Light](#)

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[CIRSA Presentation - Snowmass 10-16-23.pdf](#) 

Council welcomed Sam Light, CCIRSA Deputy Executive Director and General Counsel. Light gave an overview of services CIRSA provides and resources available to Council and TOSV. Light then went through the presentation from the packet.

3.B) [Update from PTRAB Members](#)

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Greg Leblanc introduced PTRAB members present and appearing virtually, John Orton and Charlie Hess in person and Mike Brizel and Jeff Steinberg virtually.

On behalf of PTRAB, Orton asked and encouraged Council that whatever proposed property tax treatment and relief be applied equally to the full-time and part-time residents of the Town of Snowmass Village. Orton further discouraged adopting of any methods which would be viewed as subjective, overly complex or treating part-time and full-time residents differently.

Hess, on behalf of the PTRAB, continued by briefly giving some feedback on a few Council decisions from the last year. PTRAB supports the Council's decision to pause the Transit Center, encourages Council to address the Snowmass Center's lack of progress with redevelopment, loves the Town Entrance & Rodeo Project, encourages development of a round-about rather than a traffic light at Brush Creek/Owl Creek, is supportive of recently passed leash laws with the understanding that HOAs can have more restrictive rules within their boundaries, and is supportive of new cell towers but ask they continue to find ways to shield them from view.

Council expressed their appreciation for the feedback and encouraged PTRAB to continue to offer feedback on Council issues especially in real time when those issues are being considered by Council.

4) **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

5) **CONSENT AGENDA**

5.A) Draft Agendas

[Pages 5-6 2023 Town Council Agenda Overview](#) 

5.B) Minutes for approval

[Pages 7-17 10-02-23 TC Minutes Draft](#) 

Councilmember Shenk sent a few small corrections for the minutes.

5.C) POST Fund Budget - Ordinance - 1st Reading

[Pages 18-19 Agenda Item Summary - Ordinance No. 12 of 2023-1st Reading-POST, Tourism & CIP FUND](#) 

[Pages 20-21 Ord No. 12, Series of 2023---1st reading-POST Grant, Marketing and CIP](#) 

Councilmember Fridstein motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Shenk seconded. All in favor. None opposed.

6) PUBLIC HEARINGS - QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS

6.A) Town Park Cell Tower Replacement Update

[Pages 22-23 Agenda Item Summary Rodeo Cell Tower 2023](#) 

[Pages 24-27 Attachment A - TC draft Reso 23 of 2023 Rodeo Cell Tower](#) 

[Pages 28-31 Attachment B - Approved PC Reso 6 of 2023 Cell Tower Rodeo unsigned](#) 

[Pages 32-38 Attachment C - Cell Tower Site Plan and Construction Drawings](#) 

[Pages 39-47 Attachment D - Cell Tower Graphic Representations](#) 

[Pages 48-75 Attachment E - Broadband Vision Report 2021](#) 

Mayor opened the public hearing and welcomed Senior Planner Brian McNellis and the applicant, Crown Castle. McNellis summarized the agenda item, the Special Review for the Cell Town proposal at the rodeo grounds. Proposal is to replace the existing pole with another same height 40 ft monopole in a new location, in line with the project. Planning Commission has passed this proposal with conditions.

Andrew Berglund from Crown Castle presented materials from the packet. Berglund explained that they are trying to match the existing coverage and fit it into the new design plan for the project. He further noted that the new pole could house additional carriers. The applicant worked with the Town and the architect to integrate the new pole into the project.

Discussion after the presentation included pole location and size, the length of the contract and specifics of that contract, and concern that the pictures were not indicative to how it really looks in the space.

Council proposed amending the application to reduce the lease area by approximately 15 feet and have them add screening in the form of fencing and vegetation, working with the Town and the landscaping plan for the project.

Town Manager Kinney clarified that we are not changing the lease with Crown Castle, rather the discussion is about Council's decision regarding the Land Use of the site.

Councilmember Fridstein motioned to approve the special review with additional conditions to give up the two equipment spaces to the west and add landscaped areas with understanding Crown Castle could ask for some of that space back in the future.

Kinney clarified, goal of the Council is to approve the Civil Plans from the application by reducing the two west boxes next to lease space and add screening with fencing and vegetation.

Councilmember Gustafson seconded. All in favor. None opposed.

7) POLICY/LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS

Five-minute Break

8) ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

8.A) [Budget Review - FAB Recommendations](#)

[Pages 76-77 Agenda Item Summary - Continued review of the 2024 Budget](#) 

[Pages 78-86 Budget Message Council - 10-16-23](#) 

[Pages 87 Budget Message Council - 10-16-23](#) 

[Pages 88-90 Property Tax Analysis-2024 10-16-23](#) 

[Pages 91-169 2024 Council Budget Presentation - PDF](#) 

[Pages 170-231 2024 Budget Backup - Council](#) 

Phil Sirianni, Chair of the Financial Advisory Board, went over the FAB recommendations with regards to the 2024 budget. In general, the FAB believes the budget is sound and that the Town is in good financial shape.

FAB recommendations include:

Employee Housing - Recognized the need for employee housing. FAB thinks the DRAW site is too expensive, and recommended Council look in other less expensive locations. Hopes the intercept lot location could be considered in some way.

Mall Transit Center – Asked if the moneys set for the Mall Transit Center should be in the 2024 budget considering it will not all be spent in the coming year. Would it be better

to take it out since there is not a defined plan. Kinney clarified that keeping it in the budget signals to the other members of EOTC the Town's intentions to move forward with plans to use those grant dollars and show our intention. FAB understood and asked Council and Staff to pay attention to that as you might not spend all those monies in the coming year.

Mill Rate – Suggested lowering the Mill Rate temporarily to help balance out the excess. Thought is not to collect more money than is needed. If the Town decides to collect it - then collect it and fix the roads.

Brush Creek Owl Creek Roundabout - FAB supports this concept and general plan. Also of note, the operating budget is starting to increase significantly and the FAB would like it noted with a large percentage dedicated to staff and staff needs. FAB recommended watching that operating expense and for Council to be aware. FAB recommended keep an eye on current spending for an uncertain future.

Council briefly discussed the Property Tax Analysis and Kinney summarized each of the scenarios for Sirianni as these were not available when FAB last met. Council stated they would discuss this in more depth a bit later in the meeting.

Council thanked FAB for their hard work and recommendations.

Budget conversation continued, guided by Town Manager Clint Kinney and Finance Director Marianne Rakowski. A few proposed changes from last time Council saw the budget include an increase in funds towards fire mitigation and added funds to accelerate the Snowmass Inn improvements. Kinney estimated adding 2 million for Snowmass Inn from the Tourism Tax. If Council agrees with this direction, then Staff will adjust the budget to reflect that.

Staff asked for specific direction with regards to Property Tax Analysis. After thorough discussion, Council decided that scenario 3 was a good compromise and easily able to be communicated to the public.

Anne Martens and Mike Horvath presented information for Council to consider regarding road projects and our aging infrastructure. There are road projects that the Mill Rate money would go towards but looking for a balance of what is needed to be done and what is possible (time and resources) to be done.

Council decided that Scenario #3 will be incorporated; Snowmass Inn funds will be increased; and fire mitigation funds will be increased.

Kinney notified the Council that RFTA has just announced a 5% increase and TOSV needs to address this so we can continue to attract and keep our drivers. Staff recommendation will be forthcoming, hopefully in the coming week. The increase may affect other position pay rates. Staff will look at increasing the pay for CDL positions and increase those positions as of Dec 1st.

Council will next see the budget November 6th and these changes will be incorporated.

GID meeting will start at 4pm November 6th followed by Town Council Regular Meeting.

9) **TOWN COUNCIL REPORTS AND ACTIONS**

Councilmember Marolt asked all Council members to further discuss the Intercept lot housing options and if EOTC and its members can help. Mayor Madsen said that EOTC may be developing that idea. Council briefly discussed options to best utilize the EOTC to further both the Brush Creek Intercept Lot plans and the entrance to Aspen plan.

Councilmember Shenk attended the recent RFTA meeting. Despite \$30/hour pay, RFTA is still short on drivers. RFTA has reduced routes for off season. Shenk reported on Sister Cities and an artist exchange going on this week with an exhibit at Red Brick. We have some students in Bariloche and representatives and students in Shimukappu. Shenk reported that the NWCCOG meeting coming up.

Mayor Madsen thanked Town Clerk Megan Boucher for the B & C Appreciation dinner. Nordic Council is coming up this week.

Councilmember Fridstein has CORE meeting coming up.

Councilmember Gustafson had no updates.

10) **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Fridstein motioned to adjourn. Councilmember Marolt seconded. All in favor. None opposed.

7:35pm

The Snowmass Village Town Council approved this set of meeting minutes at their Regular Meeting on Monday November 6, 2023.

Submitted By,



Megan Harris Boucher, Town Clerk