

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TOWN OF GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2012**

The Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Mayor Worthey at 7:02 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Newberry – present Pitrone - present Useman - present (left at 8:16 pm)
LoCascio - present Price - present Stevens - present
(left at 8:12 pm)

At this time in the meeting, Trustee Howard Price presented Steve Murphy, Chief of the GMF-Chipita Park Fire Department a check for \$7,362.19 collected during the Sunday, July 15, 2012 Community Fundraising and Thank You event held in the Gazebo Lake Park area. Heartfelt gratitude went out to the Chief Murphy and department volunteers from all audience and Board members. Price stated that the event was organized within 10 days and thanked everyone involved for their dedicated participation. Price applauded Margaret Peterson, Joyland Falls Church Pastor Larry McKnight, Church in the Wildwood Pastor, David Shaw, Cub Scout Pack 33, Molly Stevens and Kelly Butts for their service to this event.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - No additions requested.

CONSENT AGENDA

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 19, 2012 AND JUNE 24, 2012 EMERGENCY MEETING
- APPROVE BILLS DUE AND PAYABLE FOR \$10,017.63
- ACCEPT PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES 7/10/12 INTO RECORD

M/S Pitrone/Useman to approve the Consent Agenda. All yea

Mayor Worthey called the Public Hearing to order at 7:18 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING: REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO FRONT PROPERTY LINE SETBACK TO CONSTRUCT A CARPORT

- Property Owner, Ron Gans: 10845 Belvedere Avenue was present. Gans is requesting a variance to the front property line setback requirement of 15' to construct a single car carport. He recently obtained an Improvement Location Survey and has overlaid the carport project on the survey. A portion of the property fronts Belvedere Avenue and a portion fronts Kansas Avenue which converges into Belvedere Avenue. A setback variance request and subsequent approval is specific to the project submitted. The Planning Commission determined that the closest portion of the new structure to include the overhang will be setback approximately 1.5' from the property line. Five informational packets were sent to property owners within 100' of the petitioner's property lines. Two letters in favor of granting a variance were received. As requested, the petitioner produced the drainage plan for the carport showing a rainwater collection tank.

There being no further comments from the petitioner, board or audience members, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:22 p.m.

The Board of Trustees accepted the following findings determined from the July 10, 2012 Planning Commission Public Hearing:

- letters received show neighborhood support for the project.
- the granting of the variance shall be in harmony with the general intent of the zoning district and shall not be injurious to the neighborhood or detrimental to the public.
- the granting of the variance is necessary for the reasonable use of the property.
- the variance will not impair property values within the neighborhood.

M/S Price/Pitrone to concur with the findings of the Planning Commission and grant the request for a variance to the front property line setback as presented by property owner, Ron Gans, 10845 Belvedere Avenue. All yea

PUBLIC HEARING: PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE 02-2012 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE 2011 EDITION OF THE PIKES PEAK REGIONAL BUILDING CODE AS AMENDED AND ALL CODES REFERRED TO THEREIN - Todd Welch, Chief Legal Counsel and Roger Lovell, Chief of Plan Review for the Pikes Peak Regional Building Department were present to summarize the amendments to the codes that include: Adoption of 2011 Regional Building Code that incorporates

the 2009 ICC Codes, as amended; Adoption of 2011 National Electrical Code (NEC); Adoption of Chapter 13 of the 2009 International Mechanical Code – Fuel Oil Piping and Storage; Amend Flood Plain Code; Amend Fee Schedule to Establish Flat Fee for Reroofs, Stucco and Siding, and Disband the Electrical Committee and Create MEP Committee. The Town of Green Mountain Falls had previously adopted the 2005 Regional Building Code. Colorado Springs, Fountain, Manitou Springs, Monument, Palmer Lake, and El Paso County have all recently adopted the 2011 RBC. The RBC includes provisions regarding the Electrical Code, the Flood Plain Code, Fee Schedules, and the Advisory Committees to assist the Board of Review.

Lovell was asked to discuss the amendment to the floodplain codes and stated that the current Flood Plain Code provides in RBC313.6 under the definition of Substantial Improvement: “Any rehabilitation, addition, or other improvements of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds 50% of the market value of the structure, before the improvement is started. Project costs for permitted activities are counted cumulatively over the previous 2-year period from the date of application for a new permit. Permitted activities not completed must also be considered as part of the 2-year cost total.” Lovell stated that the amendment will remove the language “Project costs for permitted activities are counted cumulatively over the previous 2-year period from the date of application for a new permit. Permitted activities not completed must also be considered as part of the 2-year cost total from the first paragraph.”

There being no further comments from the Regional Building staff or the Board or audience members, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:43 p.m.

ADOPT ORDINANCE 02-2012 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE 2011 EDITION OF THE PIKES PEAK REGIONAL BUILDING CODE AS AMENDED AND ALL CODES REFERRED TO THEREIN

M/S Pitrone/Stevens to adopt Ordinance 02-2012. All yea

RESOLUTION 2012-10 A RESOLUTION TO REOPEN THE TRAILS WITHIN THE TOWN OF GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS

– The Board of Trustees passed Resolution 2012-08 on June 24, 2012 during an emergency meeting. There was an active fire within close proximity to the Town of Green Mountain Falls. The Board deemed that an emergency circumstance existed and evacuation orders for the Town of Green Mountain Falls, Chipita Park, Cascade and Crystola were declared by the El Paso County Incident Commander. The Board of Trustees now declares that all trails within the Town of Green Mountain Falls, Colorado would be reopened to the public effective Wednesday, July 18, 2012.

M/S Pitrone/Stevens to approve Resolution 2012-10 to Reopen the Trails within Green Mountain Falls. All yea

PUBLIC COMMENT – Items Not Listed on Agenda Marshall Worthey requested that the Board give him, as the Town’s webmaster for the Google site, some direction as to content to be added or changed on or to the website. Worthey stated that he receives 30 or more requests to add items and needs approval from the Board as to the content. Trustee Pitrone stated that Mayor Worthey could approve the content. Marshall Worthey was asked to provide the Board with 5-6 cost estimates for a web hosting service for the next meeting. Dick Bratton had suggested that the Board combine the two town websites, gmfo.us hosted by El Paso County IT staff and the Google site that Marshall Worthey developed. Pastor McKnight stated that the use of social networking has worked well for the town and recommended the GMF Facebook site continue on. McKnight offered to stream the trustee meetings in the near future with equipment from the Joyland Falls Church. **Resident Sharyn Grace** asked if the board members were in contact with each other during the evacuation period. There was discussion about the emergency disaster plan which is managed by the El Paso County Sheriff’s office. The residents of the Ute Pass received reverse 9-1-1 evacuation orders during the Waldo Canyon fire. **Resident Claudia Eley** asked if the maintenance staff could assist elderly citizens without trucks by hauling their residential slash to the slash site on Saturday, August 11, 2012 if the citizens piled the slash site on the side of the road. Trustee Pitrone stated that the Town did not have the personnel to do that.

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Mayor Worthey will solicit volunteers to assist citizens without the means to haul slash to the slash sites. The Board will discuss wildfire mitigation at the next meeting.

REPORTS:

Mayor's Report – Mayor Worthey will be a Grand Marshal at Victor's Gold Rush Days parade on 7/22/12. The Thin Air Car Show is Saturday, July 21, 2012.

Trustee Liaison Useman, Marshal's Department – The Marshal's report was entered into the record.

Trustee Liaison Pitrone, Advisory Committee for Regional Building Dept - No report.

Public Works, Rob McArthur was present and his report was submitted into the record.

Pitrone commended McArthur for all his efforts and contribution to the community during the fire crisis.

Trustee Liaison Newberry, Administration – Revenue and expenditure accounting entries completed through June. Department heads have the budget expenditure reports through June. Payroll and payroll tax reconciliation (out sourced with Paychex, Inc.) will be done through journal entries as will the CIRSA payments and expenditures. CIRSA will cover the expense for an accountant to assist the clerk with the reconciliation. Accounting is being backed up by the town server

Trustee Liaison Stevens, PPACG, PPRTA - The PPRTA Capital Improvement ballot language is near completion for the Board of Directors' approval. Stevens attended the Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) meeting on July 17, 2012. The BAER assessment team evaluated the soil burn severity of the Waldo Canyon fire. Funding for emergency stabilization treatments is anticipated in the very near future so that treatments to mitigate flooding can begin.

Trustee Liaison LoCascio, Parks – No report.

Trustee Liaison Price, Business/Chamber - Price thanked the Mucky Duck and Black Bear Restaurants for their donation of food to the fire department during the fire. Price's company, Multi-Net Marketing, is donating radio and TV time nationally to advertise the area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – No unfinished business was presented.

MUNICIPAL CORRESPONDENCE – The Board received a letter from FEMA outlining the results of the recently completed Flood Insurance Rating System. The Town will retain its current rating of CRS Class 7 enabling residents to obtain flood insurance for a 15% discount in premium costs. **PPACG Director** Robert McDonald sent a letter informing the Board that the town has a vacancy on the PPACG Community Advisory Committee (CAC). Citizens can be appointed to fill this vacancy. **No other** correspondence was presented that required Board discussion or action.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, Mayor Worthey adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Mayor Lorrie Worthey

ATTEST: _____
Chris Frandina, Town Clerk