

**TOWN OF KERSEY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 13, 2021 – MINUTES**

The Kersey Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 446 1<sup>st</sup> Street and via a hybrid meeting. Mayor Gary Lagrimanta at approximately 6:00 p.m. called the meeting to order. Trustees present in person were Mike Theorine, Nathan Roth, Clay Luce, Allen Salsar, and Michelle Vannest. Trustee Stan Sameshima was attending virtually.

Town Staff present: Christian Morgan, Town Manager, Julie Piper, Town Clerk, James Neill, Recreation Director, and Rick Zier, Town Attorney.

Audience present: KJ and Carla Dunston and Justin Beckner with Civilworx.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Additions to the Agenda** – Christian Morgan presents a Life Saving Commendation to Police Chief David Gottschalk for recently performing CPR to save a patient's life.

**Proclamation** – Mayor Gary Lagrimanta reads aloud the proclamation that July is Park and Recreation Month.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of the consent agenda to include approval of the minutes of the June 8, 2021 regular meeting, approval of bills paid, and approval of bills to be paid. Motion made by Trustee Theorine and seconded by Trustee Luce to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

**Public Hearing – Kersey Day Special Event Liquor License**

Mayor Lagrimanta opens the public hearing at approximately 6:10 p.m. James Neill states Kersey Days will be Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> with the beer garden from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. It will have the same beer trailer as in the past with a single entrance/exit with security checking the wristbands and ID's. Chief Gottschalk states the only problem with Kersey Days is people trying to sneak alcohol in or out of the designated areas but otherwise an easy event to cover. No public comment. Motion made by Trustee Luce and seconded by Trustee Vannest to approve the special event liquor license for Kersey Days. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote. Mayor Lagrimanta closes the public hearing at approximately 6:13 p.m.

**Public Invited to be Heard**

**New Business**

1. Planning Commission Vacancy Candidate Interviews – Christian Morgan states that the Planning Commission currently has two vacancies and is an advisory board to the Board of Trustees. KJ Dunston submitted a letter of interest and is here for questions and introduction. The other applicant could not attend tonight so she will be interviewed at the work session. Motion made by Trustee Luce and seconded by Trustee Theorine to appoint KJ Dunston to the Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Approval of Resolution 2021-0006 Authorizing the Town Manager to Enter into an Agreement of Services to provide for a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Storm Water Master Plan Study of which the majority is Funded through a Grant Provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency Christian states the town was awarded a grant from FEMA for storm water study in the amount of \$76,000. RFP's were sent out with two submissions received. The town chose Civilworx and Justin Beckner is here for questions. Trustee Luce asks how long the study will take. Justin states hope to complete by the end of the year. They use LIDAR for the surveys; however, with Kersey being so flat, additional surveys will be necessary. They will also have a public input process. Trustee Theorine asks if this will be a construction contract as well. Christian states they can make recommendations for construction but that would be a different grant process.

Motion made by Trustee Theorine and seconded by Trustee Vannest to approve Resolution 2021-0006 Authorizing the Town Manager to Enter into an Agreement of Services to provide for a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Storm Water Master Plan Study of which the majority is funded through a grant provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Motion carried with a 7-0 vote.

3. Discussion of Sewer Line Camera Re-imbusement – Christian states that there have been several sewer backup issues in town recently. Some homes have very flat service lines out to the town main line. Sometimes it is necessary to camera the lines at the property owner's request to see if the problem is on the town or property owner side. Christian had an idea to have the attached form to be signed by the property owner prior to the camera that it would be the property owner's expense to camera if the problem were actually on the property owner's side. If it is the town's side, then it would be a town expense. Further discussion with the board regarding other options, splitting cost, the effect of low flow toilets, the cost, etc. Christian does state the camera is used after all other options have been completed. He will change the wording of the form for review later.

## Old Business

1. Project Updates
  - a. Centennial Trail – Christian asked Justin Beckner with Civilworx to give an update. He states the agreement has been solved with the ditch company. Therefore, another survey was completed for the new alignment and work should start up again the first week of September and will take two to three weeks to complete. They will have to go back to CDOT with the new numbers. The finished trail will be concrete along Centennial Drive from the bridge west to First Street. The only landscaping at this time will be the native grasses.
  - b. Union Pacific Acquisition – Christian states he sent a list of issues to be resolved and it is now the UP's legal department. Mayor Lagrimanta asks about the Third Street crossing. Christian wants to leave it open and rehab it as we can. Union Pacific wants it closed.
  - c. Kersey Workforce Housing – Christian states when he was at the CCCMA conference he made contact with a DOLA rep with experience in this. The housing will be in the 9<sup>th</sup> Street area and south of Kohler Farm Road. He met with Gene and Barb and formed a plan. He also asked for a congressional grant of \$3.9 million, which Senator Hickenlooper approved and is forwarding to the feds for review. The fire district and school district have sent letters of interest as well. They will meet with Don Sandoval at the next meeting regarding a CDBG grant.

## Staff Communication

- a. Chamber of Commerce– Trustee Luce states they had a meeting last night. They will be doing a meal at Kersey Days of pulled beef sandwiches, chips, salad, and a cookie. They will also have pop and water. Ben Elliott gave them a great deal on the meat. They are planning on 300 meals at \$6 a meal.
- b. Tree Board – Trustee Salser says the Tree Board is on hold this summer after all the work in the spring.
- c. Town Manger – Christian states the town will be putting together a “Hydrant Painting Program” as they have had interest from residents in doing so.

He states Chief Gottschalk received a grant for local law enforcement of \$8760 to finish purchasing the radios with the donation from PDC.

Clean up days was successful with \$850 brought in this year, over \$640 last year.

He notes that the parks are open 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and if you see someone in the parks outside of those hours, to please contact dispatch.

70 Ranch is having their annual BBQ on October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

He reviews the sales tax report and states it is 64% higher than last year.

Our mosquito spraying company states they have had a positive West Nile in our area in the second week of July. He encourages citizens of town to spray and do not go out at dusk or dawn. Fogging will continue through the summer.

The first half of the American Rescue Funds has been received and will be put in the new Edge account at ColoTrust. This is to account for lost revenues due to COVID and be used for water and sewer projects. More information to follow.

Thanks to the Mayor, the town has a new contractor for trench safety equipment.

## Unapproved Minutes – 07/14/2021

August 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to noon will be the Budget Workshop with the board and staff. Two seasonal workers were hired and work during the week. The third works the weekend and opens the green dump from 8am to noon.

Kersey will be hosting the CML District meeting here in September.

Kersey Days will be August 7<sup>th</sup> if the board would like to have a parade entry.

The audit will be presented at the work session. While the auditor was here for interviews, Christian asked him what community should we follow for audit guidance. Chad states that Kersey is that model and Christian feels that is a great compliment.

d. Town Attorney – No report.

### **Board of Trustee Communications**

Mayor Lagrimanta asks about the ATV legislation. Christian states there has not been any more guidance and that this is perhaps for towns that have issues which Kersey does not. Mayor Lagrimanta is also concerned that there is no signage for the Community Center. Christian says it is in the works. He also met with CDOT regarding signage along that highway regarding local businesses.

Motion made by Trustee Theorine and seconded by Trustee Luce to authorize the Town Attorney to prepare any required resolutions, agreements, ordinances, policies, letters, and memoranda to reflect action taken by the Town Board at this meeting and at any previous meetings, and authorizing the Mayor and Town Clerk to sign all such resolutions, agreements, ordinances, policies, letters, and memoranda. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

### **Adjournment**

Mayor Lagrimanta adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:13pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Piper  
Town Clerk