

**TOWN OF KERSEY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
October 11, 2022 – MINUTES**

The Kersey Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, at Kersey Town Hall, 446 First Street. Mayor Gary Lagrimanta at approximately 6:00 p.m. called the meeting to order. Trustees present were Nathan Roth, Michelle Vannest, Stan Sameshima, and Karen Dusin. Trustee Theorine was absent.

Town Staff present: Christian Morgan, Town Manager, Julie Piper, Town Clerk, Robi Ehrlick, Front Desk, Alex Vigil, PW Technician, Kurt Smith, PW Director, and Brandon Unruh, Recreation Director.

Audience Present: Allen Salser and David Sappington.

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions to the Agenda: Christian Morgan states addition of Resolution 2022-0018 Creating the Kersey Days Advisory Committee and Adopting Bylaws for the Kersey Days Advisory Committee

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of the consent agenda to include approval of the minutes of the September 13, 2022 regular meeting, approval of bills paid, and approval of bills to be paid. Motion made by Trustee Roth and seconded by Trustee Sameshima to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Public invited to be Heard

David Sappington of Kersey Lion's Club states the club is growing with new members. They meet the fourth Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. for a nominal member fee. They are holding a game night this Saturday, October 15th at the middle school, \$10/person with lots of prizes. The club was started in 1953 and will be having their 69th birthday next month.

Public Hearing – Mayor Lagrimanta opens the public hearing at approximately 6:10 p.m. for Kramer's Minor subdivision #3 and Cultivated Coffee Site Plan. Christian explains that some continued work on the agreements and work on the open space requirement is needed. The applicants agreed to continue to the next regular meeting, which would be Tuesday, November 8, 2022. Mayor Lagrimanta closes the public hearing at approximately 6:11 p.m.

Motion made by Trustee Roth and seconded by Trustee Vannest to continue the Kramer's Minor Subdivision #3 and Cultivated Coffee Site Plan public hearing to November 8, 2022. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

New Business

1. Preliminary 2023 Budget
Christian states the 2023 preliminary budget is attached for review. Revisions will be made as needed with adoption in December.
2. Approval of Resolution 2022-0018 Creating the Kersey Days Advisory Committee and Adopting Bylaws for the Kersey Days Advisory Committee.
Brandon Unruh and Christian Morgan present a copy of the proposed bylaws to the board. Christian states that with James leaving, the current committee will be dissolving and the town will take over the event with the advisory committee with Brandon as the facilitator. He will schedule meetings, draw up agendas, work on the bylaws, etc. The committee suggested changes to the bylaws: one being members must be residents of town and the committee suggested the Kersey Community to involve those in the outlying area, two that voting shall be by roll call, and three that there would be a cap of 11 members. Further discussion with the board regarding these items. Trustee Sameshima states it should be clear how to become a member as well. Christian states that even though there is a committee, the town would be the ultimate decision maker.

Motion made by Trustee Roth and seconded by Trustee Vannest to approve Resolution 2022-0018 Creating the Kersey Days Advisory Committee and Adopting Bylaws for the Kersey Days Advisory Committee with staff review and changes. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote. Christian will bring the revised bylaws to the board when complete.

Old Business

Christian states in follow-up from last month's meeting, a packet of information regarding feral cats and issues and solutions is attached. It is a problem everywhere. The best approach is catch/fix/release but that can be costly.

Staff Communication

- a. Chamber of Commerce – Mayor Lagrimanta was unable to attend the meeting. Christian states that they are interested in participating in the Holiday Festival and are in touch with Brandon. They are holding the next Business After Hours here at Town Hall on November 3rd at 5:30 p.m.
- b. Tree Board – Trustee Dusin says they met yesterday. She states the board would like to go forward with helping purchase the irrigation for Memorial Park, which Kurt is working on. Barb Eckhardt volunteered to help design and plant the center flower area at Kohler Park. They also discussed the trees at Memorial Park and planting trees that are more drought resistant.
- c. Town Manger – Christian states he did a letter of support for Rise Broadband and the grant they are doing for fiber installation. Trustee Sameshima states there might be federal money for broadband as well.

He did request funds from Weld County CDBG for architecture work for the museum pad. Haley Curtis, our Deputy Town Clerk, received her Certified Municipal Clerk designation and received a very nice plaque today from CMCA

Christian and Nathan attended the CML District 2 meeting on September 29th. Pierce has volunteered for next year. He announced that Kersey would be putting together their first podcast. It will be named TOK TALK. Interviews with the mayor and other topics will be broadcast.

RFP's were sent out for the Hill Street/First Street project. Two were received and Northern Engineering has tentatively been selected. Still working on the details with the Kersey Inn. Christian received a quote for demolition of the mill, which came in at \$200,000 for the four towers. This would leave the front building and the back metal building. We are still under contract with Union Pacific.

Town/County Dinner is October 27th. RSVP; s need in to Julie by October 21st.

RFP's for snow plowing were sent and two responses were received. Law Lawn Service was chosen. He is working with the school district regarding a snow removal plan as well.

He attended the CML Policy Committee meeting on October 7th and the Highway 34 Coalition meeting October 6th.

The storm water drainage grant is in place with a \$214K match. Working on a master plan for Centennial Park detention area to be multi-use.

Christian sent a letter to Xcel Energy stating they are in breach of their franchise agreement for poor service. The outage that caused the school to dismiss early last week was the last straw.

The town purchased 20 units of CBT water about four years ago to have just in case. The owner of Cultivated Coffee Shop has sent a letter of interest in purchasing one of those water shares. Christian asks the board if they are interested and it would be sold at current market price. The board agrees.

- d. Town Attorney – Not in attendance tonight.

Board of Trustee Communications

Trustee Dusin – Received a thank you for the town for cutting the weeds between the tracks and Latham Drive along the sidewalk. No other comments or concerns.

Unapproved Minutes – 10/11/2022

Motion made by Trustee Vannest and seconded by Trustee Sameshima 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 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Piper
Town Clerk