

**Town of Bayfield
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2021
1199 Bayfield Parkway, Bayfield, Colorado**

I. Opening Ceremony

The July 13, 2021, Bayfield Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairperson Tish Nelson at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commissioners Present: Bryan Gadd, Tish Nelson, Chris O'Shea Heydinger, Ashleigh Tarkington, Kelly Polites. All present.

Staff Present: Kathleen Sickles, Town Manager; Rachel Davenport, Deputy Town Clerk/Treasurer

Media Present: None

Pledge of Allegiance

General Public Input: None

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest: None

II. Action Agenda

a. Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Nelson opened the action agenda and asked for a motion to approve the agenda for the July 13, 2021, meeting. Mayor Tarkington moved to approve the agenda. Trustee Polites seconded. All in favor.

b. Approval of Minutes

Chairperson Nelson asked the Commission for questions or approval of the minutes from the June 8, 2021, meeting. Commissioners discussed detail of the public hearing. Mayor Tarkington moved to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Gadd seconded. All in favor.

c. Consider Recommending Matt Nyberg as Planning Commission member to fill vacancy 2018-2022 to the Board of Trustees

Manager Sickles stated that several letters of interest had been received for Planning Commission and she had recommended the candidates to the Commission to fill the open seats.

The Commissioners expressed gratitude to the candidates and Mayor Tarkington moved to recommend Matt Nyberg to the Board of Trustees for appointment. Trustee Polites seconded. All in favor.

d. Consider Recommending Brooke Briel as Planning Commission member to fill vacancy 2020-2024 to the Board of Trustees

Manager Sickles noted that Ms. Briel was in the audience.

Chairperson Nelson asked Ms. Briel to introduce herself to the Commission.

Ms. Briel introduced herself and expressed her interest in serving the Bayfield community.

Trustee Polites moved to recommend Brooke Briel to the Board of Trustees for appointment. Mayor Tarkington second. All in favor.

III. Discussion Agenda

a. Final copy of the Planning Commission Bylaws

Manager Sickles stated she included the Bylaws so Commissioners may have the final approved copy version available to them. She stated they will also be posted to the website.

Commissioner Gadd asked if having the names in the bylaws would require official changes in the future.

Manager Sickles stated that the bylaws would not need to change and the current Commissioners' names would serve as placeholders for the different seats.

b. Staff Updates

Katie stated Town has several pre-development projects are coming up that will be presented to the Commission for consideration in the coming months.

Chairperson Nelson asked the Commissioners to brainstorm ideas to bring more people to Bayfield to visit. She suggested considering some ideas around the river.

Mayor Tarkington noted that the Master Parks Plan has some river corridor development in the plan, but nothing in process at this time.

Trustee Polites asked about a previous suggestion or proposed plan for a change in the rodeo arena and arena at the church property on County Road 501.

Chairperson Nelson noted that the current arena is not big enough to house very many people. She also noted that there is a lot of historical significance to the arena, similar to the old BMS gym, and is treasured by many residents.

Vice Chairperson O'Shea-Heydinger asked what approach might be taken to get more ideas, such as a workshop.

Manager Sickles stated there may some grant funding to help with planning if an idea was presented for development. She recommended setting some goals and time frames for achievement.

Mayor Tarkington said she likes the idea of promoting Bayfield as a daily destination, because at this time, Town does not have infrastructure to support RV parks and other short term housing. She recommended carrying forward the discussion of downtown revitalization.

Chairperson Nelson said Bayfield has some resources and attractions and just needs to find the niche.

Mayor Tarkington noted that have an amazing concert hall that is underutilized

Vice Chairperson O'Shea-Heydinger asked what approach might be taken to develop an idea and recommended Town will need to do research to figure out what will work.

Mayor Tarkington noted that the Parks Plan was prioritized according to stages of implementation.

Manager Sickles asked if the Commission wanted to have a workshop before the August meeting to brainstorm. In response to Trustee Polites' question to include the public, she noted the discussion should be guided to have some goals and specific outcomes from the discussion.

The Commission agreed to plan to have a brainstorming session at the August 10, 2021, meeting.

c. Adjournment

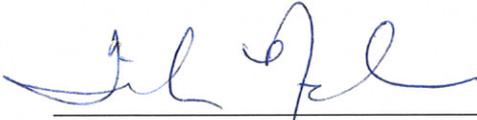
Mayor Tarkington moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairperson O'Shea-Heydinger seconded. Chairperson Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

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c. Adjournment

Mayor Tarkington moved to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairperson O'Shea-Heydinger seconded. Chairperson Nelson adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Approved:



Tish Nelson, Chairperson

Attest:



Rachel Davenport, Deputy Town Clerk/Treasurer