

Minutes
OCTOBER 10, 2019
BUDGET HEARING
TOWN BOARD MEETING 6:30pm

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO FLAG
2. ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE
Supervisor John C. Reilly	✓		
Council-member Donald Coons	✓		
Council-member Jeffery Galm		✓	
Council-member Eric Mortenson	✓		
Council-member John Fraser Paterson	✓		

MONTHLY THOUGHT:

We cling to our own point of view, as though everything depended on it. Yet our opinions have no permanence; like autumn and winter, they gradually pass away. - Zhuangzi (Chinese Philosopher)

Between 1984 and 2012, according to one study, use of lawn signs in campaigns quadrupled. They were found 98.3% ineffective. – Donald Green, lead author Columbia University Study.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING:

Motion to open hearing-Councilman Mortenson second Councilman Paterson
 REVIEW 2020 BUDGET ISSUES
 Motion to close Hearing-Councilman Mortenson second Councilman Coons
 Budget adjustments-None

Resolution 2019-40: Upon motion of Councilman Mortenson and second from Councilman Coons, the Town Board approves the Gallatin 2020 Budget and instructs the Clerk to have the Budget put in proper form by the Town CPA and filed with the County of Columbia.

Vote 4 Yes -0 No- 1 absent

NEW BUSINESS SECTION 2019

1. Clean Energy – Grant update- All paperwork has been submitted, project confirmation on a solar installation for the Town Hall should be back in January.
2. Continued Discussion on Gallatin Conservation Area
The proposed New Town Hall can be utilized as a meeting and friendship and activity center for the town's senior citizens.
The natural vistas and beauty of the Conservation Area will lend itself to the town resident's use.
The culvert will be fixed for the nature trail.
There will be a call out to Town residents that are architects and designers to help start the process.
3. Scheduling of Comp Plan and Zoning Review for Fall 2019- Grant updates- Greenway- Clerk Review of Grant approval. The proposed budget for the Comprehensive Plan review is \$17,125. \$8,500 to be paid by the Greenway Grant, \$5,254 is in kind services provided by the Comprehensive Plan Committee and the remainder of \$3,371 is cash.
4. Road Improvement Progress 2019 Report - Jack Gomm attached. Explanation of shared services. Jack explained that the Gallatin helps other towns with highway projects and receives help in return.
5. Assessor update- resolution of Article 7 Case against Town. The Haley Article 7 case has been settled out of court.

Special Resolution: The Town Board wants to make special mention with a proclamation honoring Paul Weaver for many decades of service to the Town, first as a highwayman and later as the Town superintendent of buildings. Paul is stepping down October 31, 2019 from his duties to pursue his next career move.
Motion Councilman Mortenson second Councilman Coons.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS

MONTHLY BUSINESS SECTION

1. Review of September 2019 Minutes for Errors/Clarifications **Resolution 2019 41: Accept September 2019 minutes for filing and posting.**
Motion CM Mortenson second CM Paterson
Vote 4 Yes-0 No- 1 Absent
2. Bill Review of Non-Reoccurring items-**Resolution 2019-42 Approve September 2019 bills for payment.**
Motion CM Mortenson second CM Coons

- Vote 4 Yes-0 No- 1 Absent
3. Highway Superintendent Comments-Attached
 4. Comments of Code Enforcement Officer-Read and filed
 5. Clerk Report-Read and Filed
 6. Assessor Comments-Settlement of Article 7
 7. Historian Comments-read and filed
 8. Supervisors report
 9. Signs- Ongoing planning for new planned design for road entrances to town and saving Town Historic ones.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MONTHLY BUSINESS

Motion to adjourn CM Mortenson second CM Coons

OLD BUSINESS ARCHIVE 2019

1. Church Road issues.
2. Town Files project: basement files cleaned up, stored safely and digitized
3. Review of town capital repair needs -2019-roof/painting.
4. Official town Map- Progress Update
5. Historic Sign repair
6. Community Food Pantry proposal
7. New Town signs- design and purchase plan 2019-continued.
8. Purchase of Solar speed sign
9. Get sprinkler proposal for Town Highway Garage