

Town of Garden City Minutes

March 7, 2023

Regular Meeting

Mayor Fil Archuleta and Trustees Tim Costello, Alex Lopez, Leigh Sorensen, Katherine Rodriguez, Trustee Sam Parsons, and Gary Sorensen were present. Staff present: Town Administrator Cheryl Campbell; Deputy Town Clerk Lindsay Shoemaker; Public Works Director Brett Bloom; Town Attorney James Godbold. Police Chief Jeremy Black was absent. Ronica Lara from the White Horse Inn attended by phone, Philip Tapply from Smokey's, Eden Sayers from Star Buds, Tom Wilzcynski and Melinda Kadinger from Smokey's, Gustavo and Esmerelda from The Rodeo, and Andrew Brown from the Garden City Police Department were present.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes from February 21, 2023 Regular Meeting
- b. Approve Bills Paid
- c. Approve Bills to be Paid

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve the Consent Agenda items a.-c.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Public Not on the Agenda Invited to be Heard

There was none.

Grants

- a. Residential Revitalization Grant Application with final review and payment for Barbara Quick 2614 9th Ave Apt 1 in the amount of \$1,459.58

Mayor Fil Archuleta recused himself. Barbara Quick addressed the Board. She purchased a security system for her apartment.

Leigh Sorensen moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve the residential revitalization grant application with final review and payment for Barbara Quick 2614 9th Ave Apt 1 in the amount of \$1,459.58.

6 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

The Mayor rejoined the meeting.

- b. Commercial Revitalization Grant Application with final review and payment for the White Horse Inn in the amount of \$1,311.75

Ronica Lara joined the meeting by phone. The White Horse is purchasing updated security cameras for the bar.

Sam Parsons moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve the commercial revitalization grant application with final review and payment for the White Horse Inn in the amount of \$1,311.75.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Marijuana Issues

- a. Change Of Ownership Application from Cannabis Care Wellness Center LLC DBA Smokey's to Smoke Holdco LLC DBA Star Buds

Tom Wilzcynski from Smokey's and Eden Sayers from Star Buds addressed the Board. Cannabis Care Wellness Center LLC has submitted a Change of Ownership application to transfer ownership of their

retail marijuana store license and their medical marijuana store license to Smoke Holdco LLC DBA Star Buds.

Alex Lopez moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to approve the Change of Ownership Application from Cannabis Care Wellness Center LLC DBA Smokey's to Smoke Holdco LLC DBA Star Buds.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

b. Approve Sunset for Cannabis Care Wellness Center LLC DBA Smokey's Cultivation License

Smokey's has plants in the growing stage currently. They are asking for permission to allow the plants to grow to harvest. The Sunset date will be the date that the cultivation operation must cease.

Tim Costello moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to grant a sunset date on License #MCF 2515-23 for Cannabis Care Wellness Center LLC DBA Smokey's with the end date to be 90 days after closing.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

c. Approve Sunset for Green Medicals Wellness Center #5 LLC DBA Smokey's Medical Cultivation License

Smokey's has plants in the growing stage currently. They are asking for permission to allow the plants to grow to harvest. The Sunset date will be the date that the cultivation operation must cease.

San Parsons moved and Katherine Rodriguez seconded to grant a sunset date on License #MCF 2515-22 for Green Medical Wellness Center #5 LLC DBA Smokey's with the end date to be 90 days after closing.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Liquor Issues

a. El Rodeo Night Club LLC DBA El Rodeo Tavern with Live Entertainment Liquor License Renewal

Esmerelda Vargas addressed the Board. The Rodeo is applying for renewal. They have increased measures to limit underage drinking. They have limited the number of drinks one person can order at a time. Waitresses are monitoring tables and utilizing security guards. There were questions raised by the Board about the underage drinking and how they are combating the issue. Ms. Vargas is utilizing different color wrist bands to differentiate between adults and minors. The high number of police calls for service raised concerns from the Board. Ms. Vargas is intending on organizing a meeting with her security guards, staff and the Garden City Police Department to discuss regulations.

Alex Lopez moved, and Tim Costello seconded to approve El Rodeo Night Club LLC DBA El Rodeo Tavern with Live Entertainment Liquor License Renewal.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Approve Resolution 10-2023 A Resolution Appointing Alternate Municipal Judge

Tim Costello moved, and Leigh Sorensen seconded to adopt Resolution 10-2023 A Resolution Appointing Alternate Municipal Judge.

Fil Archuleta, yes. Alex Lopez, yes. Katherine Rodriguez, yes. Sam Parsons, yes. Gary Sorensen, yes. Tim Costello, yes. Leigh Sorensen, yes.

7 Aye. 0 Nay. Resolution 10-2023 adopted.

Approve Resolution 11-2023 A Resolution Granting Use By Special Review For USR 01-2023

Alex Lopez moved, and Tim Costello seconded to adopt Resolution 11-2023 A Resolution Granting Use By Special Review For USR 01-2023.

Alex Lopez, yes. Leigh Sorensen, yes. Sam Parsons, yes, Gary Sorensen, yes. Fil Archuleta, yes. Tim Costello, yes. Katherine Rodriguez, yes.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Resolution 11-2023 adopted.

Approve Order granting USR 01-2023

Tim Costello moved, and Sam Parsons seconded to approve Order granting USR 01-2023.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Reschedule July 4th and August 1st regular meetings

Tim Costello moved, and Sam Parsons seconded to reschedule the meeting July 4th to July 5th and the August 1st to August 2nd.
7 Aye. 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Consider health insurance benefits

Two employees are turning 65 this year. Medicare does not allow members to have Health Savings Accounts unless there are special circumstances. The Town offers a health benefit to every employee. To avoid the two employees losing their benefit, Cheryl will add a section in the Employee Handbook. It will state the remainder of the benefit, after dental and vision plan deductions, will be added to the employee's 457b Retirement plan. This will be discussed again at the next regular meeting.

Staff Reports

a. Town Administrator

Cheryl addressed the Board. Officer Johnson resigned last week. A new officer is in the final stages of being hired and will start next week. The CIRSA audit took place last week. The Town scored very well for the year of 2022. The Budget to Actual will be finished tomorrow. There will be a few bills within it that are very large, but these are once a year payments, like Intergovernmental Agreements and insurance payments. The old bank account has been closed and reconciled. Annual filings are done. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 1st at 10AM. The VFW will be joining the Town. The Kids Carnival will be June 17th from 11AM-3PM. Cheryl also advised that she and James will change the language in the Revitalization Grant.

b. Public Works Director

Brett advised the Board that he and the Police Chief went to a meeting in Greeley regarding the United Way Shelter. The shelter will close April 15th. He changed the locks on the Town Hall and the Community Center. He met with Happy Life Gardens to plan the 8th Avenue planters. The crosswalk sign will ship tomorrow. He is getting quotes on the awning for the Community Center. The message board has been ordered.

c. Town Attorney

Mr. Godbold advised the Board that there is a house bill that passed for website ADA compliance. The deadline is July 1st 2024. He will address this in the future.

Other Board Issues

The Mayor asked about the 9th Avenue apartments and their ADA compliance as well. He was instructed to have those tenants experiencing the problems to call the housing authority.

The Mayor also asked about traffic cameras and if they could possibly be used in town. Officer Brown advised that these cameras would be beneficial and that it is a talking point for the future.

Announcements

Adjourn

Since there was no further business, Sam Parsons moved, and Katherine Rodriguez seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Fil Archuleta adjourned the meeting at 7:05PM

By _____