



UEB Meeting Minutes, January 6, 2021

Meeting Time and Location: Began at 4:30. Held remote via Zoom meeting.

Attendance: Chris Meline, Larry Quinn, Jim Kerr, Jerry Rotz, Lee Hall

Staff: Aaron Caplan **BOT Liaison:** Mike Karavas **Guests:** Jeff Christy, Diane Dandeneau

1. Amendments to Agenda- None
2. Approve Minutes from December 16, 2020- **Approved Unanimously**
3. Upcoming Meetings- MEAN delaying Annual meeting from spring to the fall and hopes to hold in person rather than virtual. CAMU also plans to hold its annual meeting in person this summer.
4. Audience Business- None
5. Updates

a) Board of Trustees – Mike Karavas

At Monday's BOT meeting the following occurred: Utility shutoff ordinance passed. IGA resolution with Longmont for a water pump station passed. Noted 2nd Avenue bridge construction proceeding normally. Appears proposed business development at 4th and Main can use Lake Macintosh water shares but that they would have to use their own water shares, not Lyons. Looking to use DRCOG money for Broadway redevelopment through 3rd Avenue. Did not take up Street Light issues and are looking to staff to address. Without funding considering Comprehensive Plan Update on a two year rolling basis. Micro Brewery has plans to purchase the Fork building and next door empty lot, initially with just a tasting room but eventually with production. The Micro Brewery is aware of Lyons BOD surcharge for high strength wastewater producers and feels Lyons rates are reasonable. It was noted that any development of the vacant lot next to the Fork building would still need to address stormwater flows since the recently completed High Street stormwater project only addressed the more frequent nuisance flows.

b) Staff, Engineering – Aaron Caplan

The Longmont water pump station will use Lyons electricity just as the Lyons Maintenance Facility in the Eastern Corridor has to use Longmont electricity as

that was there before Lyons developed the site. Aaron looking into converting Poudre Valley Rural Electric Association (PVREA) Inc Cooperative annexed sites in Lyons to Lyons electricity as that is allowed in regards to Cooperative Electric Association supplied annexed areas in Colorado. Non-metered water- Aaron thinks we should clean up Lyons municipal code in regards to non-metered water usage. Although all non-metered usage was supposed to end by 2002 there is one location left in Town which is the Century Link building. Water usage at the Century Link building is likely so low that they will reduce their bill by moving to metered usage. Street Lights- Based on BOT direction staff is looking to develop administrative policies to address individual requests in regards to street lighting. An ordinance may be required to authorize. Staff is already looking to address a couple problem areas by trying turning off lights. Wastewater- The rerating permit was approved to increase BOD levels. Permission to proceed with construction as designed. Will wait and see what general permit comes back as but will probably go forward with rerating. Honeywell negotiations/lawsuit may change path on rerating. Concern that the current low rating may have been in error since existing documents refer to South St Vrain but discharge is downstream from the confluence with the North St Vrain. Copper and lead rules are changing. May need to do inventory of water service lines. Need to add schools and daycare. In Lyons service line is homeowners responsibility. New 6" pressure Reducing valves (PRV) have been received. RFP to install PVR1 coming out. Wastewater treatment plant blowers- Upgrade expected to allow for redundancy.

UEB plant visit to be scheduled?

c) UEB Chair – Jim Kerr

d) Other UEB Members

6. Solar Farm Cost Analysis / Update

Reviewed cost analysis spreadsheet that Jim Kerr had put together based on a preliminary engineering feasibility cost study that Namaste had provided for behind the Bohn Park Bike Park. At the request of UEB members it was agreed that Jim would send out the link to Namaste's estimate to the UEB.

Diane Dandeneau also gave a short talk saying her company was interested in bidding the project. Her company has developed projects the last few years and has been working on some grant funded projects. Diane felt that besides DOLA there is grant money available for solar, battery storage, electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and electric rate restructuring. Some of the projects on her company website:

www.ipoweralliance.com.

It was noted that 2021 Lyons' budget had a line item for enhancing the EV charging station at sandstone park possibility from a level 2 to level 3 to enable faster charging.

7. Street Lighting Update

The Sensus Street light proposal was reviewed.

8. 2021 Goals Update

The updated 2021 goals were discussed. The integrated Capital Improvement Plan needs to include the Street Upgrades made with the General Fund.

Meeting ended: 5:58 pm. **Minutes Submitted by:** Jim Kerr