CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery
         Trustee Coen
         Trustee Wescott
         Trustee Bristow
         Trustee White
         Trustee Tapey

Absent: Mayor Mahoney

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Trustee White seconded by Trustee Coen to approve the agenda with the amendment that the April 4, 2023 minutes will be removed from the Consent Agenda and approved at a later meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

PROCLAMATIONS

a. Sexual Assault Awareness Month 
   b. National Crime Victims’ Rights Week

Kim Messina, Victim Services Manager for the Brighton Office of Victim Assistance, stated that she is privileged to work with the Town of Lochbuie. These two proclamations speak to victims of crime who do not always have a voice, and BOVA appreciates the Town bringing attention to both movements.

Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery read each proclamation and proclaimed April 2023 as “Sexual Assault Awareness Month” and April 23-29 as “Crime Victims’ Rights Week”.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Larry Strock, 840 Lonewolf Circle, stated that he has heard lots of discussion about spending money for library in Lochbuie. He asked the board to keep in mind that Lochbuie is a fairly young town, and to think about where is best to allocate finances. We all want to help our youth, and children need activities. The Town could add some ball fields, or a water feature at the skate park, for much less funding than a new building.

Mark Bush, Concord Partners, LLC, provided an update on development in Bella Vista.

CONSENT AGENDA

Any item listed on the Consent Agenda can be removed upon request from any member of the Town Board. For the benefit of our audience, the mayor will read the items remaining on the Consent Agenda prior to the Board’s vote.

a. Payment Approval Report ($362,305.32)

Motion made by Trustee Wescott seconded by Trustee Bristow to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

ACTION ITEMS


Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery opened the public hearing at 6:48 PM.

Maureen Juran, Town Attorney, stated that this ordinance was introduced to the board on March 7th and adopts, by reference, the 2020 Model Traffic Code that is published by the Colorado Department of Revenue. Lochbuie is currently operating under the 2003 Model Traffic Code. There have been separate ordinances passed over the years to keep Lochbuie’s traffic laws up to date, but it is time to adopt the most updated version of the traffic code.

Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery closed the public hearing at 6:52 PM.

Motion made by Trustee Coen seconded by Trustee White to approve Ordinance 2023-681 Repealing and Readopting Article I of Chapter 8 of the Lochbuie Municipal Code Concerning Vehicles and Traffic Regulations; Adopting by Reference the 2020 Edition of the Model Traffic Code of Colorado (Revision 2 Dated 7/7/2021) Promulgated by the Colorado Department of Transportation with Amendments, and Setting Forth in Full the Penalty Provisions for Violations Thereof. Motion carried 6-0.

b. Resolution 2023-16 Ratifying Administrative Approval of 4th Amendment of Silver Peaks Filing No. 1 Plat

Chris Kennedy, Community Development Director, and Mandy Rasmussen, JVA Engineering, stated that the purpose of this replat is to take land currently parceled for homes, and create new parcels of land that will become a water tank site and a park site.

Motion made by Trustee Coen seconded by Trustee Wescott to approve Resolution 2023-16 Ratifying Administrative Approval of 4th Amendment of Silver Peaks Filing No. 1 Plat. Motion carried 5-1 (White).

STAFF REPORTS

A. Finance/Treasurer
B. Police
C. Water/Wastewater

Wayne Ramey, Ramey Environmental, stated that Brighton’s sewer flow continues to rise, and the wastewater plant is running well. The water plant treated much less water this March than it did in March 2022. There is some equipment on order to complete capital projects.

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D. Public Works

Chris Larmon, Public Works Director, shared that the loader is down, needing another major repair. This machine has now been out of service for 73% of 2023, and causes the Town to rely on contract help more than we would like. The F600 truck has been built and is on its way to Greeley, but is not able to be outfitted with snow equipment until December. The crack sealing and mastic sealing will be wrapped up by the end of this week, and they were able to get through the top 4 priority areas this year. Currently, there is an RFP out for pavement marking and striping that will be awarded at the May 2nd meeting. An RFP for street sweeping work will also be necessary, as the Town does not have a sweeper in their fleet. The County Road 2 widening project is on schedule and there has been a lot of coordination with Brighton to keep the flow of traffic moving. The Town has partnered with a landscaping company to create a water conservation garden near the entrance of Bella Vista.

E. Community Development

Chris Kennedy, Community Development Director, shared that the RFP for the comprehensive plan closed, and the two firms who submitted proposals will be interviewed tomorrow. Mark Bush, the developer of Blue Lake, is interested in starting another development to the east of County Road 37, and is in the preliminary process. The owners of Tagawa Greenhouse are adding a retail component to their business, and have expressed interest in annexing into Lochbuie.

F. Town Clerk

Heather Meierkort, shared that there are now eleven users on AquaHawk.

G. Human Resources

Jhazmin Thomas, Human Resources Manager, stated that the Police Department is still fully staffed. Each trustee should have a key card on their desk granting them access to use the employee door for meetings. If anybody needs assistance setting up the new email signature in outlook, she is happy to help.

H. Town Administrator

Brian McBroom, Town Administrator, provided a summary of quarter one results from each department.

MAYOR AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Wescott shared research about the negative effects that retail marijuana can have on children. She asked that the board be provided more information by a public health expert on this topic.

Trustee Coen stated that Senate Bill 23-213 is still on the table, but is not approved, and was discussed by CML. There is another CML presentation on Thursday, so she will have another update after that.

Trustee White reported that the marijuana research shared tonight was health information, and was not regarding the legality of the industry. She does not believe the board needs further education on the issue, and if so, it could come from the Lochbuie Police Department to share their stance. The board needs to choose if the benefits of the sale of retail marijuana will outweigh the risks.

Trustee Bristow reported that DRCOG spoke about Senate Bill 23-213, and the majority of their directors showed opposition to it. She thinks the Town should go on record stating their opposition.

Motion made by Trustee Bristow seconded by Trustee White to direct the Town Administrator to send a letter to the Colorado Governor stating the Town of Lochbuie’s opposition to Senate Bill 23-213. Motion carried 6-0.

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Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery reported she has seen lots of mentions of people planning to attend the Hudson Library Board meeting tomorrow, at 5:00 PM at the Hudson Library. The more we can get the Lochbuie resident’s voices heard the better in order to keep things moving forward for a library in town.

**ADJOURN**

*Motion made by Trustee Wescott seconded by Trustee Bristow to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.*

Mayor Pro Tem Jeffery adjourned the meeting at 8:01 PM.

*The Board may convene a lawfully called executive session at any time during a regular or special meeting of the Board.*

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Heather Meierkort  
Town Clerk

Michael Mahoney  
Mayor

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