

# Grand Lake Towne, Oklahoma

## Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2024

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken Calhoun at \_\_\_6:30pm\_\_\_.

**Roll Call of Board:** Trustees present were Ken Calhoun, Mayor, Todd Adams, Mayor Pro Tem, and Robert Long, Nick Cregan; Nancy Dalquest was absent.

Board members present were Jennifer Burnett, Town Clerk and Sherre Johnson, Treasurer

### **Guests in Attendance:**

Several guests were present which included Randall Vaughn, Dave Momper, Teena Momper, Anna Kern and Caren Calhoun

### **Mayor Welcome and Comments:**

Ken congratulated Jennifer and Sherre on their completion of the Oklahoma Municipal League, New Officers Institute.

An update was presented on our 2024 REAP Grant, which was granted to the town in the amount of \$17,500. Ken stated we have projected this grant to fund re-sealing remaining streets and a couple of trees trimming along the roadbed easement.

Ken advised that our revision for Code of Ordinance was sent to our attorney on January 21, we hope that we will have this review completed by our March board meeting.

**Previous Minutes:** Minutes of meeting held on January 9, 2024, were reviewed.

Robert Long made a motion to accept as presented, Nick Cregan seconded the motion. Vote was taken, motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sherre presented the Treasurer's Report dated January 2024, after reviewing a question was brought up about our ability to continue "electronic assessment payments". Ken advised this might be an option in the future, but due to fees the board voted last year to suspend "electronic assessment payments" pending a better alternative.

**Robert Long** made a motion to accept as presented, **Todd Adams** seconded the motion. Vote was taken, motion passed.

### **Old Business:**

- a. An update was presented to the status of our Code of Ordinance revision, specifically we are awaiting legal review. Ken was hopeful the board would vote on the Ordinance at our March or at the latest our April board meeting.

A question was asked by a resident, if the residents would vote on the revision or have any input into the revision... Ken replied that as this was a revision to the ordinance, only the board members would vote on the document. Ken did state that he would provide an electronic copy upon attorney approval to the residents for their input prior to the vote.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Building: Ken Calhoun, Chairman – None**

**Emergency Management: vacant – None**

**Street Commission: Robert Long, Chairman – None**

**4<sup>th</sup> of July – Vickie Kite, Chairman – None**

### **New Business:**

- a. Allow open discussion concerning a possible amendment to the ordinance to allow the raising of chickens.

After a lengthy discussion, residents in attendance were split on the ability to raise chickens. Ken asked the board if there was a motion to modify our current ordinance which prohibits the raising of chickens. There was no motion, as such no vote was made, the current ordinance prohibiting the raising of chickens stands.

- b. Allow open discussion concerning the new Chapter 5 of our Code of Ordinance, Vacation Rental/Short Term Rental.

A discussion from residents in attendance and board members specifically expressed concern and possible modification to the following...

Article 1, Section 5-1. General Intent: why limit the number of homes to 10 and would current property utilized for vacation rental be grandfathered in or would it be firsts come first serve.

Article 1, Section 5-3. Application for “Special Use Permit” and Process: several residents believed the application process was cumbersome; specifically requiring restriction and guidelines, requiring property owner to be physically present to submit application and the need for permit fees.

Article 1, Section 5-8. Standard Conditions: (B) liability insurance, need clarification as to terminology as it applies to vacation rental property; (I) clarification as to the definition of “camping” within this chapter.

A question was raised about the Chapter no addressing “420 Friendly” a statement about the use of marijuana within the property without consequence.

Ken thanked everyone for their input and honest discussion about this new chapter within our new ordinance revision. Ken tabled any changes until such time our attorney has reviewed and provided input.

Adjournment: Ken asked for any additional business to come before the board, hearing none, Ken asked for a motion to adjourn; \_\_Nick Cregan\_\_ motioned to adjourn; \_Todd Adams\_\_ seconded. Vote was taken, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned 7:32pm.

Jennifer Burnett, Clerk

Posted to Grand Lake Towne Public website.