



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**

**REGULAR MEETING**

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Olathe Board of Trustees was held as a hybrid meeting on Monday, September 11, 2023. Said meeting was posted in accordance with the Sunshine Law. Mayor Jake Foreman called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM with Trustee Steve Gottlieb leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Foreman called for a moment of silence for those lost and affected by the attacks of September 11, 2001.

**TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Mayor Jake Foreman; Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson; Trustee Darrin Westermann; Trustee Mark Hillier; Trustee Christine Kinion; Trustee Steve Gottlieb

**TRUSTEES ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Monique Garrett, Town Administrator; Chief Frank Rodriguez, OPD; Sara Dillon, Finance Officer/Deputy Town Clerk; Carol Viner, Town Attorney; Scott Eklund, Building Official.

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Elaine Davison (R); Commissioner Sue Hansen (NR); Jim Lobato (R); Sadie Shea (NR); Karen Timmons (R); Rich Timmons (R); Gary Kelso (R); Harry Gottlieb (NR)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*A motion by Trustee Steve Gottlieb to approve the consent agenda as presented, which includes the August 28, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting minutes and the AP approval report was seconded by Trustee Christine Kinion. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

**AGENDA CHANGES** – None.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Harry Gottlieb – Is in the area with Unify America working with citizens' groups deliberating on childcare solutions, as lack of childcare is of great concern in the Country.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**8.1) BOARD OF TRUSTEES POTENTIAL CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS**

The Board interviewed three (3) potential candidates for the vacant Trustee seat. Candidates interviewed were Jim Lobato, Karen Timmons, and Rich Timmons.

**8.2) OLATHE HIGH SCHOOL HEAD STUDENTS**

The Olathe High School Head Girl, Sadie Shea, introduced herself to the Board and apologized for the absence of the Head Boy, he was out sick today at school. Miss Shea updated the Board on upcoming High School events and asked for permission for the 2024 Senior Class to paint the road in front of the High School as is traditionally occurs during Homecoming week. Miss Shea also requested a parade permit for the OHS Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 6, 2023.

**8.3) TINY HOMES**

Building Official, Scott Eklund and Town Attorney, Carol Viner, presented the Board with information and Colorado State regulations for tiny homes, and asked the Board for direction on regulations for tiny homes within the Town of Olathe.

**ACTION ITEMS****9.1) BOARD OF TRUSTEE SELECTION**

*A motion by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson to table the selection of a new Trustee until the September 25, 2023 regular Board of Trustee meeting to allow Trustees more time to process the interviews was seconded by Trustee Christine Kinion. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

**9.2) RESOLUTION 2023-07**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF OLATHE, URGING CITIZENS TO VOTE “YES” ON THE QUESTION ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023, ELECTION BALLOT ALLOWING THE REGULATION OF MEDICAL AND RETAIL MARIJUANA SALES; AND IMPOSING AND EXCISE TAX OF 5% ON RETAIL MARIJUANA SALES.**

*A motion by Trustee Mark Hillier approving Resolution 2023-07 with five noted corrections was seconded by Trustee Christine Kinion. Discussion – None.*

*The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

**9.3) RESOLUTION 2023-08**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF OLATHE, URGING CITIZENS TO VOTE “YES” ON THE QUESTION ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023, ELECTION BALLOT IMPOSING AN ADDITIONAL 1% SALES TAX INCREASE TO BE USED FOR OLATHE POLICE DEPARTMENT, PARKS AND RECREATION, AND TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE.**

*A motion by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson approving Resolution 2023-08 with three noted corrections was seconded by Trustee Christine Kinion. Discussion – None.*

*The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

**TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

- San Juan Coffee is having an Open House/Grand Opening on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM with Region 10 hosting free coffee for an hour.

**MONTROSE COUNTY REPORT**

County Commissioner Sue Hansen updated the Board and public present about current events happening in Montrose County.

- County has opted in to Prop 123
- September 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> – Tribute to Aviation at Montrose Regional Airport.
- September 26<sup>th</sup> – Project 7 meeting at the new building site to discuss the new water plant project.
- October 7<sup>th</sup> – Prop HH informational meeting in Montrose
- America 250-Colorado 150 committees are in the beginning stages of the 2026 Birthday Celebrations if anyone is interested in being a part of the process.

**STAFF COMMENTS****Chief Frank Rodriguez**

- Presented the Board with August activity statistics.
- Will shift to a new schedule in October, having the Sheriff's Dept cover only the late-night hours.
- Officers Angel and Quinn are attending Crisis Intervention Training – the Dept. will be 100% CIT certified.
- Thank you to Olathe High School for allowing PD to make announcements to students, and through that, the first student intern will begin with the Police Dept.

**BOARD COMMENTS**

**Trustee Westermann** – Gave much appreciation to Commissioner Hansen for her commitment and hard work, going above her already demanding Commissioner duties.

**Trustee Kinion** – Thanked the Police Department for their hard work in the Community.

**Trustee Gottlieb** – Glad to see more businesses opening on Main Street and thanked the Police Dept for the statistics and their work in Town.

**Mayor Foreman** – Reminded the Trustees to pick up their mail.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Foreman called for a motion to enter into Executive Session for a conference with the Town attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal question under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(b); concerning a demand involving a former police officer's conduct.

*A motion by Trustee Steve Gottlieb to enter into Executive Session was seconded by Trustee Darrin Westermann. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

09-11-2023 BOT Meeting Minutes

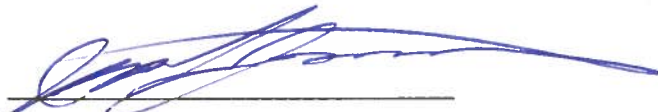
*The Board of Trustees entered into Executive Session at 8:28 PM.*

*A motion by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson to close the Executive Session and re-enter Regular session was seconded by Trustee Steve Gottlieb. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

*The Board of Trustees re-entered into Regular session at 8:40 PM.*

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no further business at hand, a motion was made by Trustee Steve Gottlieb and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greg Davidson to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees at 8:41 PM with no further action taken. Discussion – None. The motion passed with a six to zero vote in favor.*

  
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Jake Foreman, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Monique Garrett, Town Clerk

Approved as submitted ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
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