

SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

MARCH 30, 2020

JACKSON, WYOMING

The Jackson Town Council met in a special session in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall located at 150 East Pearl at 3:01 P.M. Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

TOWN COUNCIL: *In-person*: Mayor Pete Muldoon and Jim Stanford. *via Webex*: Hailey Morton Levinson, Arne Jorgensen, and Jonathan Schechter.

STAFF: Larry Pardee, Tyler Sinclair, Lea Colasuonno, Zolo, and Sandy Birdyshaw.

Reconsideration of March 2nd vote on Town Comment Letter to U.S. Forest Service. Mayor Muldoon stated at the March 23rd special meeting, a motion was made to reconsider the vote that Council took on March 2nd on the Town's Comment Letter to the Forest Service regarding the Draft EIS for Snow King Resort Master Plan Amendment. The Council also voted to postpone the vote on that Motion to Reconsider to today's special meeting. The Council held discussion. Mayor Muldoon called for the vote on the Motion to Reconsider. The vote showed 4-1 in favor with Stanford opposed. The motion carried.

Mayor Muldoon stated the question on the table was the motion made on March 2nd by Jim Stanford and seconded by Hailey Morton Levinson which was to approve Councilwoman's Morton Levinson's draft that was edited tonight [March 2] as presented and send it to the Forest Service before the comment deadline of March 16. Arne Jorgensen proposed a friendly amendment by adding a sentence to the letter "The solutions proposed in alternatives three and four to prohibit users from leaving any biking areas into the surrounding trails are preferable to alternative two". Jim Stanford and Hailey Morton Levinson accepted the friendly amendment. Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Executive Session. A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Jim Stanford to recess the meeting to executive session to consider matters concerning litigation to which the governing body is a party or proposed litigation to which the governing body may be a party in accordance with Wyoming Statute 16-4-405(a)(iii). Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried. The meeting recessed at 3:31 p.m. and reconvened at 3:57 p.m.

Matters from Mayor, Council, or Staff Related to COVID-19. Ratify March 28, 2020 Emergency Ordinance 1249. A motion was made by Jim Stanford and seconded by Hailey Morton Levinson to continue this item to a special meeting on March 31st at 11:00 a.m. Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Joint Resolution 20-04 Delegation of Authority for COVID-19 Response. Larry Pardee made staff comment. A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Jim Stanford to approve joint Resolution 20-04 for the Delegation of Authority for Covid-19 Response.

TETON COUNTY, WYOMING and TOWN OF JACKSON, WYOMING Joint Resolution DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus as a worldwide pandemic as of March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States declared a national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) on March 13, 2020, specifically stating that in "December 2019 a novel (new) coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 ("the virus") was first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, People's Republic of China, causing outbreaks of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) that has now spread globally. . . . The spread of COVID-19 within our Nation's communities threatens to strain our Nation's healthcare systems. . . . Additional measures . . . are needed to successfully contain and combat the virus in the United States." The National Emergency Declaration declared that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, Mark Gordon, Governor of the State of Wyoming, declared a State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency for the State of Wyoming on March 13, 2020, stating that on March 11, 2020 an individual within the State of Wyoming tested presumptive positive for COVID-19 and the State of Wyoming is experiencing a public health emergency in response to the evolving outbreak of the novel coronavirus as of March 11, 2020. The Declaration of a State of Emergency directs the Director of the Wyoming Department of Health to take all appropriate and necessary

actions and in the Director's judgment any actions necessary to provide aid to those locations where there is a threat or danger to public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Teton County Board of County Commissioners approved a declaration of State of Emergency in Teton County, Wyoming as of March 16, 2020; and
WHEREAS, the Jackson Town Council approved a declaration of State of Emergency in Jackson, Wyoming as of March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Teton County has eight (8) confirmed cases of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) with documentation of community spread as of Friday, March 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Teton County Board of County Commissioners have authority and jurisdiction over the unincorporated areas of Teton County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson Hole Fire/EMS Department is a joint Fire/EMS department of Teton County, Wyoming, a duly organized county of the State of Wyoming, and the Town of Jackson, a Wyoming municipality, and operates under the direction and supervision of Teton County and is overseen by Fire Chief Brady Hansen; and

WHEREAS, Teton County and the Town of Jackson have formed the Teton Health District which encompasses all of Teton County, Wyoming, including the Town of Jackson, a Wyoming municipality; and

WHEREAS, Teton County oversees the Teton County Health Department, which is overseen by Jodie Pond, Director of Teton County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, Chief Todd Smith is the police chief of the Jackson Police Department, which is overseen by the Jackson Town Council; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Matt Carr is the elected Teton County Sheriff of Teton County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Teton County Board of County Commissioners and the Town of Jackson, Wyoming desire to grant the power to oversee the complete management of the COVID-19 Response Incident to a Unified Command whose members shall be:

Fire Chief Brady Hansen, Jackson Hole Fire/EMS
Jodie Pond, Director, Teton County Health Department
Sheriff Matt Carr, Teton County Sheriff
Police Chief Todd Smith, Jackson Police Chief

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Teton County Board of County Commissioners that the Unified Command to oversee the complete management of the COVID-19 Response Incident shall be comprised of the following members:

Fire Chief Brady Hansen, Jackson Hole Fire/EMS
Jodie Pond, Director, Teton County Health Department
Sheriff Matt Carr, Teton County Sheriff
Police Chief Todd Smith, Jackson Police Chief; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Unified Commanders (UC), shall give regular reports to the Jackson Town Council through its Town Manager, and the Teton County Board of County Commissioners through the County Commissioners' Administrator, and to the other Teton County Elected Officials; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the UC shall continue to collaborate and consult with the Teton District Health Officer; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Teton County Board of County Commissioners and Jackson Town Council shall communicate with the UC through the County Commissioners' Administrator and Town Manager; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the UC shall adhere to relevant and applicable laws, policies, and professional standards; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the UC shall manage this incident under standard protocols and procedures for the incident command system (ICS) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the UC shall manage the incident in order of the highest priority to the lowest priority as delineated below:

1. Provide for Emergency Responder and Public Health/Healthcare employee safety.

2. Provide for the protection of public health safety from the COVID-19 disease.
3. Provide timely, accurate, and relevant information to the public regarding the incident.
4. Coordinate response with the Wyoming Department of Health and with the Teton District Health Officer.
5. Mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 disease within the Teton County, Wyoming population.
6. Provide for minimal disruption of access to critical community services. Access must be consistent with the safety of the public.
7. Coordinate with the Teton County Emergency Operations Center for resource requests and information sharing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the UC shall comply with the following:

1. That the delegation carries full responsibility for the complete management of the COVID-19 Response Incident within Teton County, Wyoming, including within the City of Jackson, Wyoming.
2. All UCs shall sign the delegation letter accepting command.
3. That the UC shall organize, manage and direct the assigned resources for complete management of the COVID-19 Response Incident.
4. That the UC is accountable to the Teton County Board of County Commissioners and the Jackson Town Council through their respective designated representatives, the County Commissioners' Administrator and the Town Manager.
5. That assumption of command began as of March 16, 2020 and shall continue until such time as this Resolution is revoked or modified.
6. That the UC shall maintain close coordination with all affected agencies to ensure a safe and efficient transfer of command and continuous, transparent communication.
7. Keep all agency administrators, including the Teton County Board of County Commissioners and Jackson Town Council, apprised of incident progress.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 30th day of March 2020.

Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Adjourn. A motion was made by Jim Stanford and seconded by Hailey Morton Levinson to adjourn. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.
minutes:spb

TOWN OF JACKSON

ATTEST:

Pete Muldoon, Mayor

Sandra P. Birdyshaw, Town Clerk

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