## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FRISCO SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

Mayor Mortensen called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Town Clerk Deborah Wohlmuth called the roll.

Present:	Andrew Aerenson
	Dan Fallon
	Andy Held
	Rick Ihnken
	Hunter Mortensen
	Melissa Sherburne

Absent: Jessica Burley

#### Public Comments:

Six individuals spoke in opposition to a proposal concerning lodging establishment vaccination requirements that was circulated to eight lodging businesses from the Town.

#### Mayor and Council Comments:

Mayor Mortensen acknowledged the audiences' concerns regarding a lodging establishment vaccination requirement proposal, indicating that the item has not been agendized.

Mayor Mortensen thanked the community for their participation in the Mayor's Cup Golf Tournament, a fundraiser for Building Hope

MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FALLON MOVED THAT COUNCIL FORMALLY EXCUSE MAYOR PRO-TEM BURLEY'S EXTENDED ABSENCE RESULTING FROM MATERINITY LEAVE. SECOND, COUNCIL MEMBER SHERBURNE.

AERENSON	YEA	FALLON	YEA
BURLEY	ABSENT	SHERBURNE	YEA
HELD	YEA	MORTENSEN	YEA
IHNKEN	YEA	MOTION CARRIED	

**Presentation:** 

Frisco Finest Award – Maggie Cox

The Frisco Town Council presented community member, Maggie Cox, with a Frisco's Finest Award for her numerous contributions to Frisco and Summit County. Maggie and her husband, Jim, have lived in Summit County since 2003. Ms. Cox started volunteering with the Town of Frisco in 2014, helping the Recreation Department at town athletic events and at the tubing hill during busy holiday periods. She became a regular at events such as Frisco BBQ, Town Cleanup Day, and Wassail Days. Ms. Cox has put in more than 1,000 hours of work scanning and digitally filing old building and planning permit files. In addition to her volunteer work with the town, Ms. Cox volunteers at the animal shelter, the library, Summit Fire and EMS, and various healthcare

organizations. The Frisco's Finest Award was established to thank and honor citizens who have made a difference in the community.

## **Proclamation:**

September is Suicide Prevention Month in Frisco, Colorado Proclamation

Town Council proclaimed September to be Suicide Prevention Month in Frisco. Suicide is a critical public health problem in the country, in Colorado, in Summit County, and in Frisco. According to the National Institute of Health (NIH), in the United States, suicide is the second leading cause of death among adolescents, and the tenth leading cause for adults. In Summit County, the suicide rate is 17.4 deaths per 100,000 people, which is higher than the national rate of 14.5 deaths per 100,000 (CDPHE). Nine people died by suicide in our community in 2020; and from January 1, 2021 through August 18, 2021, four community members have died by suicide.

## **Consent Agenda:**

August 24, 2021 Minutes Purchasing Card Transactions and Warrant List Ratification of CC4CA Policy Statement

# MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FALLON MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECOND, COUNCIL MEMBER HELD.

AERENSON	YEA	FALLON	YEA
BURLEY	ABSENT	SHERBURNE	YEA
HELD	YEA	MORTENSEN	YEA
IHNKEN	YEA	MOTION CARRIED	

#### New Business:

Agenda Item #1: Proposal for Federal Advocacy Services

Town Manager Tony O'Rourke stated that the Town's focus on affordable housing, wildfire mitigation, environmental sustainability, infrastructure development, and broadband requires substantial fiscal resources to achieve results. Staff recommends that the Town align with Squire Patton Boggs advocacy services to identify federal and private partners that address the Town's strategic needs and leverage resources. Squire Patton Boggs already represents the Town at the local and state level, and has a public policy practice team of experts in Colorado and Washington D.C. dedicated to advocacy. Squire Patton Boggs representation of the Town of Frisco will be year-round and not limited to when Congress is in session, and they will continuously monitor legislative and regulatory developments throughout the calendar year, attend meetings relevant to the Town and its federal agenda. Town Council approved a contract with Squire Patton Boggs to expand their advocacy services on behalf of the Town of Frisco to the federal level for an annual cost of \$100,000. Mayor Mortensen opened public comment at 7:45 p.m. There being no public comment, Mayor Mortensen closed public comment at 7:47 p.m.

## MOTION: COUNCIL MEMBER FALLON MOVED TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH SQUIRE PATTON AND BOGGS FOR FEDERAL ADVOCACY SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 ANNUALLY. SECOND, COUNCIL MEMBER SHERBURNE.

AERENSON	YEA	FALLON	YEA
BURLEY	ABSENT	SHERBURNE	YEA
HELD	YEA	MORTENSEN	YEA
IHNKEN	ABSENT	MOTION CARRIED	

Agenda Item #1: Proposed Strategic Plan Priority Committee

Town Manager Tony O'Rourke stated that in 2020 the Town Council adopted the Town of Frisco Strategic Plan, which identified five strategic priorities. Staff proposed that as part of the 2022 fiscal year Business Plan creation of Town Council committees for each of the five strategic priorities, and recommend the Council appoint two Council members to each of the five strategic plan priority committees to work with staff. Council did not support this proposal.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah Wohlmuth, CMC Town Clerk