

**MINUTES
WELD COUNTY COUNCIL
September 20, 2021**

The Weld County Council met in regular session in full conformity with the Weld County Home Rule Charter at 6:30 p.m., Monday, September 20, 2021, at the Weld County Administration Building, 1150 O Street, Greeley, CO.

ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order by President James Welch. Councilmembers Nancy Teksten, Tonya L. Van Beber, Nancy Teksten, Elijah Hatch and Rupert Parchment were present, constituting a quorum of members. Also present was Council Secretary Linda Kane.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA :

Councilmember Teksten made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilmember Van Beber and carried.

APPROVAL OF DOCUMENTATION:

Approval of August 16, 2021, Minutes


Councilmember Parchment made a motion to approve the August 16 minutes, seconded by Councilmember Teksten and the motion carried.

2nd Quarter Report to the People

Councilmember Teksten made a motion to approve the 2nd Quarter Report to the People, seconded by Councilmember Parchment, and the motion carried.

REVIEW PROGRAM:

Tom Parko, Planning and Zoning

 Mr. Parko presented an organizational chart showing his department has 39 full-time employees. The department will be moving to the Clerk and Records office probably in July of 2022.

Mr. Parko said it's been an interesting year due to Covid and the local economy. Permit requests have been down while residential permits have been through the roof. He said there's been an increase in small businesses wanting to work out of their homes.

He said it's been a challenge to find surveyors and engineers. Commodities such as building materials have been taking longer to acquire, presenting challenges.

His department offers a small business incentive program, established in 2014. To date, they've assisted more than 20 small businesses. They've helped to recoup startup costs, permit fees and septic permit fees, for example.

Please see his Population and Development Report and the Department of Planning Services Work Output Report Addendums 1 and 2.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS:

Coordinator Reports/Councilman Reports

Councilmember Van Beber complimented the clerk and recorder's office. She said it was a quick process to get her license plates recently.

Councilmember Hatch said Hannah Swanbom was recently hired as the Director of the Extension office.

Councilmember Van Beber made a motion to approve bills, it was seconded by Councilmember Hatch and carried. The bills were paid as follows:

- Weld County Phone Bill for August \$25.00

Revision to June 21 Minutes

After discussion, Council agreed the June minutes were correct as presented and no changes were necessary. Council agreed that clarification could be submitted as revised by County Finance Director Don Warden: "Jennifer Oftelie, Budget Manager, will be assuming Don Warden's budget duties in 18 months. Ryan Rose, CIO/Director of Administration, will be replacing Don Warden in 18 months as the Director of Finance and Administration."

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business.

ADJOURNMENT:

By acclamation, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

October 18, 2021

Council President, James Welch

Council Secretary, Linda Kane