

**INTERLACHEN TOWN COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING & TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
DICKERMAN BUILDING**

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairperson Carolyn Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present were, Vice-Chairperson, Carolyn Bennett, Beverly Bakker, Joni Conner, and Carolyn Meadows. Mayor Larsen and Attorney George Young were present also. Chairperson Judi Costanzo was absent due to illness.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Vice-Chairperson Carolyn Bennett opened the Public Hearing at 7:02pm

COUNCIL AGENDAED DISCUSSION:

Discussion and Consideration of the Planning Commission's Recommendation for Sisterhood of Servants Land Use Change Application LU2021-1.

Council Member Bakker moved to approve Land Use Application LU2021-1. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Planning Commission's Recommendation for Sisterhood of Servants Re-zoning Application RE2021-1.

Council Member Bakker moved to approve Re-zoning Application RE2021-1. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 2021-6: Adopting a Small Scall Amendment.

By unanimous general consent Ordinance 2021-6 was read by title only.

Council Member Meadows moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-6 on first reading. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

Ordinance 2021-7: Changing the Official Zoning Map

By unanimous general consent Ordinance 2021-7 was read by title only.

Council Member Bakker moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-7 on first reading. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: Vice-Chairperson Carolyn Bennett closed the Public Hearing at 7:14pm.

OPEN COUNCIL MEETING

Vice-Chairperson Carolyn Bennett opened the Council Meeting at 7:14pm.

COUNCIL VICE-CHAIRPERSON – CAROLYN BENNETT

Vice-Chairperson Carolyn Bennett dispensed with the formalities since they were done earlier at the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Larry Harvey stated that the Christmas Celebration was a success and that the food that was collected went to the Lee Conlee House. The mayor presented a certificate of appreciation to students who helped with the event.

COUNCIL AGENDAED DISCUSSION:

Discussion and Consideration of Request from Pumpkin Patch II Daycare Owner, Tommie Hall.

Mr. Hall explained to the Council that his \$636.10 water bill was the result of vagrants leaving his water hose running without his knowledge. He asked the Council to consider reducing his water bill.

Council Member Conner moved to average their water bill for the last twelve (12) months and split the bill 50/50. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Setting a Workshop Date for the Personnel Manual.

A workshop was set for 3:00 pm on January 18, 2021.

Discussion and Consideration of Setting a Workshop Date for Concerts in the Park Rules.

A workshop was set for 3:00 pm on January 18, 2021.

Discussion and Consideration of Approval of the F.D.O. T. Promissory Note.

Council Member Conner moved to approve the F.D.O.T. Promissory Note. Council Member Meadows seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Reappointment of Better Place Plan Advisory Committee Members.

Council Member Bakker moved to approve the reappointment of Better Place Plan Advisory Committee Members. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Reappointment of Citizen's Advisory Task Force Members.

Council Member Bakker moved to approve the reappointment of Citizen's Advisory Task Force Members. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Reappointment of Codes Enforcement Board Members.

Council Member Conner moved to approve the reappointment of all the Codes Enforcement Board Members. Council Member Meadows seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Removal of Mary Anne Lyles from the Citizen's Advisory Task Force and the Economic Development Task Force.

Council Member Conner moved to remove Mary Anne Lyles from the Citizen's Advisory Task Force and the Economic Development Task Force. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Appointment of School Board Member Tonya Whitehurst to the Planning Commission to Replace Thomas Bolling.

Council Member Bakker moved to approve the appointment of School Board Member Tonya Whitehurst to the Planning Commission. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration the Reappointment of Planning Commission Board Members.

Council Member Conner moved to approve the reappointment of all Planning Commission Board Members. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Reappointment of Tree Board Members.

Council Member Bakker moved to approve the reappointment of all Tree Board Members. Council Member Meadows seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Reappointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Members.

Council Member Conner moved to approve the reappointment of all Zoning Board of Adjustment Members. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of a Community Assistance Program.

Attorney Young stated that the Codes Enforcement Board asked him to present to the Council for their consideration, a Community Assistance Program to help citizens who were physically unable to keep their premises up to code by compiling a list of organizations that may help in those situations to keep residents from getting a codes violation.

Council Member Connor moved to adopt a Community Assistance Program. Council Member Meadows seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Subdivision Ordinance.

After revisions were made to the Ordinance, Council Member Conner moved to approve the Subdivision Ordinance as amended. Council Member Meadows seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 2021-8: Setting Forth Subdivision Regulations.

By unanimous general consent Ordinance 2021-8 was read by title only.

Council Member Meadows moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-8 as amended on first reading. Council Member Conner seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The consent agenda was approved by unanimous general consent.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Members Bakker and Meadows wished everyone a merry Christmas.

Council Member Bennett said she is glad they are making progress with many items.

Council Member Conner stated that the County is no longer reporting covid cases, but they can be found at [covid.cdc.gov](https://www.covid.cdc.gov). She also stated that several people participated in the ugly outfit contest at the Christmas Celebration.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Larsen wished everyone a merry Christmas.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Maintenance Supervisor, Richard Glover stated that all three water plants and generators are working. A portion of North Francis Street is to be repaved and SR 20 should be completed by December 31, 2021. Council Member Conner asked that F.D.O.T.be contacted regarding placing guard rails on the sidewalks near the retention ponds.

Town Clerk, Joni Payne thanked Mrs. Glover for the hours put into the subdivision ordinance and stated that she went to the Strickland property because of the zoning issue of the resident having donkeys and goats. The donkeys and goats have been removed but there are other unpermitted animals on the property. He was given the option to either remove the animals or apply for a Special Exception.

The Codes Enforcement Officer and the Deputy Town Clerk will be attending a Code Enforcement training class in January and will not be at the January Council meeting.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Attorney Young stated that he was impressed with the Town's Christmas parade and activities. Due to safety and security Concerns, he suggested that the Town should put streetlights in the park. He also stated that there were no Council Members in the parade and offered to provide a vehicle for them at the next one.

He thanked the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk for all the work they did on the subdivision ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.