



Minutes

January 25, 2007

Winter Park

The meeting was called to order by CAST President Joyce Burford at 8:00.

Introductions were made and in attendance were: Joyce Burford, Fran Cook, William Buck, Joe Fitzpatrick, John Younger, Greg Sparks, Tim Gagen, Michael Penny, Kevin Batchelder, Sally Sparhawk, Larry Brooks, Jacquie Halburnt, Bill Pinkham, Alan Lanning, Frank Bell, Stu Fraser, Jim Stevens, Glenn Harrington, Jim Myers, Nat Havens, Shane Hale, Jeff Durbin, Kathy Lewis, Judy Burke, Vicki Mattox, Dave Ferrill, Nick Teverbaugh, Dave Torgler, Steve Ivancie, Russ Forrest, Dick Cleveland and Paul Strong.

Joyce thanked Vicki Mattox of Stifel Nicolaus for paying for beverages at last night's dinner.

Gary DeFrance, President/COO of Winter Park Mountain Resort presented on topics including: current ski season bookings, the history of Winter Park, expansion plans for the village, commercial and residential balance, transportation of visitors and employees, employee housing, base area hotels, year-round versus two season resort and relationship with the Town of Winter Park.

The September minutes were approved unanimously.

Nick Teverbaugh, Mayor of the Town of Winter Park, gave an overview of the town including: festivals, annexation, town hall, employee housing and health insurance issues.

Frank Bell introduced the new Mayor of Telluride, Stu Fraser.

Tim Gagen spoke about HB1140 which would relax the restrictions on rent controls. Michael Penny spoke about HB1141 which would require developers to show that they have sufficient water supplies to service their developments. Strong was directed to follow these issues. Michael also spoke about MOVE Colorado's efforts to encourage the State to increase transportation funding. This will be added to the March agenda.

A roundtable discussion regarding Winter Park/Fraser consolidation included panelists from Winter Park, Nick Teverbaugh, Mayor and Dave Torgler, Manager and from Fraser, Fran Cook, Mayor, and Jeff Durbin, Manager. Also on the panel was Jerry Dahl, an attorney who is facilitating the process. A history of the cooperation of the towns was presented including the consolidation of a number of departments through IGAs. The question of whether they should remain separate, merge into a new town or have one

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annex the other was explored. Since Winter Park has a Real Estate Transfer Tax and has home rule, it has been concluded that it makes financial sense to have Winter Park annex Fraser. The real concern now is the emotional response of the Towns' citizens and employees.

Dan Klinglesmith of the Colorado Tourism Office (CTO) and Jamie Simms of MMG Worldwide gave a presentation on what tourism means to Colorado and the CTO's efforts to promote Colorado. 200,000 people in Colorado are affected by tourism. Colorado has 27,000,000 overnight visitors and tourism is a nine billion dollar industry. The taxes provided by tourism lowers the tax bill by \$150 for every man, woman and child in Colorado. Colorado is ranked 5th in the nation as a desirable vacation destination but only ranks 20th in visits. 60% of trips to Colorado occur in the spring and summer. The CTO has five employees and a \$19,000,000 budget that is allocated 62% to spring/summer and 38% to fall/winter.

Joyce announced that, per the by-laws, the Board of Directors appointed Dick Cleveland, Mayor of Vail, to fill the opening created by the resignation of John Pryor. Joyce is the new President and William Buck is the new Vice President. All officers will serve until the annual meeting in June.

Paul announced that the next meeting would be March 6 in Denver. The annual meeting is at the CML conference which will be held in Steamboat Springs this year. Due to scheduling conflicts, CAST will not host a CML session this year and will just have our famous reception.

Stephen Saunders, President and Charlie Montgomery, Outreach Coordinator of the Rocky Mountain Climate Organization presented the findings of the Colorado Climate Project. There were 55 recommendations to reduce greenhouse gases and 15 to prepare for and deal with changes. The goal is to reduce emissions 20% below the 2005 level by 2020. The second stage of the CCP includes a Climate Protection Initiative and a Water Adaptation Initiative.

A motion was made to support the concept of eliminating restrictions on voluntary rent controls and was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.