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TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
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I) CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Mayor Mamula called the meeting of September 29, 2020 to order at 8:15am. The following members answered roll call: Ms. Gigliello, Ms. Owens, Mr. Carleton, Mr. Kuhn, Ms. Saade and Mayor Mamula. Mr. Bergeron was absent.

II) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Holman stated there were no changes to the agenda.

III) NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

IV) DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) Nicotine Tax Program Funding

Ms. Haynes stated there was a working group last year to talk about the nicotine tax ballot measure and address what needed to be funded for smoking prevention and cessation measures. She further stated we presented a matrix of programs to the managers at that time, and it included a recommended budget for funding these programs for 2020 and 2021, as well as funding for Building Hope and FIRC. Ms. Haynes stated Breckenridge is collecting 29% of the funding for the programs through the tax, and so we pay 29% to these programs. She also stated we are looking for answers from Council about funding the programs through the nicotine tax in 2021. Council discussed the high rates of vaping and nicotine use among youth, especially in Summit County. Ms. Owens stated she would like to contribute some of this money to supporting youth sports teams. Mr. Carleton agreed and stated he feels the importance of this message with sports is critical. Ms. Saade asked about marketing for anti-vaping, and Ms. Haynes stated most of the marketing is done through Summit County Public Health. Mayor Mamula stated he believes this campaign should be geared to youth, and not adults who make the choice to use nicotine.

B) Town Buy Down Property Master Lease Program Proposal

Ms. Nichole Rex stated the memo in the packet outlines the current buy-down program and a proposal from the recent discussion Council had regarding a master lease program for businesses. Ms. Rex reviewed the points in the memo, including how the unit leases will be chosen through a lottery for Breckenridge businesses, and how we can open it up to Summit County businesses if desired. Ms. Owens asked about the "adult occupancy" rules and would like that to be clarified for families. Ms. Gigliello asked about income testing for the AMI restrictions. Ms. Rex stated we are contracting with a property management company to assist in this. Mr. Holman stated the employer would be responsible to pay the rental rate and can collect it however they wish from the employee renting the unit. Mayor Mamula stated there should be a provision for replacing employees who leave or are terminated. Mr. Kuhn stated pets should not be allowed in these units, and Mr. Holman added they will be non-smoking units as well. Ms. Laurie Best stated we may have contracts on at least 2 of the rental units soon, so we may only have 6 units available for this program come this winter. Mr. Holman stated we will abide by the HOA rules so we can be good neighbors.

V) OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Holman stated we will be spending the October 13th meeting working on the budget for 2021, and we will also use the special meeting on October 20th for this purpose. He further stated that as part of this process, we would like to invite the BTO, BCA and BHA to present their budget changes for 2021. Mayor Mamula asked if the partner organizations know that if things turn for the worst, they will need not to expect money from the Town. He further stated that everyone needs to understand that depending on what happens this winter, the amount of funds they receive from us could be zero, and the priorities would be essential services such as plowing. Mayor Mamula stated he believes there's a false sense of the end of the tunnel right now, and people are letting their guard down so everyone needs to be prepared and we can't go back to where we were in March where we were shutting things down. Mr. Holman stated we need to look at taking a harder stance. Ms. Owens stated we need to get the message out that we need to restrict our gathering sizes and social circles. Mayor Mamula stated we may have to go back to

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Level 3, which would highly restrict all businesses. Ms. Gigliello asked about our options for Halloween, and how would we restrict it? Mr. Holman stated we could say no to trick or treating or we could highly discourage it and recommend other options. Ms. Owens stated it's really just too many people in one place to allow for trick or treating, especially in places like Wellington Neighborhood. Mayor Mamula asked Council and staff to reach out to the Wellington HOA to see what they would like to see. Ms. Gigliello stated there will still be groups of kids knocking on doors so what is allowed really needs to be defined. Mr. Carleton stated we are close to going back to 25% occupancy for businesses and we probably have to make a tough call about the holiday, and with COVID fatigue this could get out of hand. Ms. Saade stated she believes we need to be strong and deliberate with our messaging and she agrees with Mr. Carleton. Mr. Kuhn stated we need to put the "why" in this, and get that message out to the community. Ms. Haynes stated she will ask the BHA and BCA about other options for Halloween.

Ms. Gigliello stated there were many people visiting the troll this past weekend and we need to be aware of people still visiting in groups.

VI) ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:32am. Submitted by Helen Cospolich, CMC, Town Clerk.

ATTEST:

Helen Cospolich, CMC, Town Clerk

Eric S. Mamula, Mayor