

Meeting Agenda

November 16, 2021 ~ 6:30 pm

Remote Meeting using the Zoom Platform

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1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Roll Call** – The Empire Board of Trustees requires a simple majority of four trustees present at the meeting for a quorum.
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Consent Agenda:** These items will be approved collectively with one vote.
  - a. **Approval of Minutes from October Regular Meeting**
  - b. **Approval of October Bills**
5. **Resolutions:**
  - a. **Resolution 21-11 To Execute an Engagement Letter with Butler Snow**
    - i. Engagement Letter
6. **Ordinances:**
  - a. **Ordinance 263 An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Empire, Colorado, Acting by And Through the Town of Empire Water Activity Enterprise, Approving a Loan From the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority; and Authorizing the Execution of a Loan Agreement and a Governmental Agency Bond to Evidence Such Loan; and Declaring an Emergency.**
7. **Public Hearing and Approval of the 2022 Proposed Budget to the Town of Empire Board of Trustees.**

Notice was given that a proposed budget for fiscal year 2022 was submitted to the Empire Board of Trustees, Clear Creek County, Colorado on September 21st, 2021. The proposed budget has been available for inspection by the public at [TownOfEmpire@Colorado.Gov](mailto:TownOfEmpire@Colorado.Gov) and at Empire Town Hall, 30 E Park Ave.

The proposed budget, as amended through the review process, is being considered for adoption at this public hearing on November 16th, 2021, at 6:30 pm.

We encourage all residents to comment on the proposed budget. Any interested resident may file any objections to the proposed budget at any time prior to the final adoption of the budget by the governing body.

- a. **Resolution 21-12 Supplemental Budget and Appropriation – Centennial Fund**
- b. **Resolution 21-13 Levying General Property Taxes for the Year 2022 to Help Defray the Costs of Government for the Town of Empire, Colorado for the 2022 Budget Year**
- c. **Resolution 21-14 Appropriate Sums of Money**
- d. **Resolution 21-15 Summarizing Expenditures and Revenues for Each Fund and Adopting the Budget for the Town of Empire, Colorado for the Calendar Year 2022**
8. **Discussion: Water Conservation with Michael Murphy from Ramey Environmental**
9. **Discussion: Harmony Domes Annexation**
  - a. CORA Requests (Colorado Open Records Act.) If you would like to request Public Information that is not currently on the website, please fill out a CORA request. Form can be found on the website or in Town Hall.

- b. Email questions and comments: If you have questions pertaining to town business, please send written requests or questions by email to the Clerk so we have a record and can respond appropriately.

**10. Appointment of Eileen Wheelock to the Planning Commission**

**11. Announcement for a Military Tribute**

- a. Military Flags on the Visitors Center
- b. Commemoration Ceremony

**12. Announcement for Empire Business Partnership**

**13. Public Comment**

**14. Reports**

- a. Budget: Report was given as an agenda item.
- b. Mayor: (CCEDC, CDOT, CCFA)
- c. Police:
  - i. Chief Stein will provide a monthly report with stats and updates.
  - ii. Chief Stein is facilitating the Traffic Safety Task Force, with an initial meeting in November.
  - iii. Free Gun locks are available in the Town Offices.

d. Events:

- i. October 30<sup>th</sup> was our Trick-or-Treat in Theobald Park and Chili Cookoff.

CONGRATULATIONS to our Chili Cook-Off Winners — 1st Place Christian Straughn, 2nd Place the Backwaters Café, 3rd Place Laura Talcott.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Trick-or-Treat in Theobald Park and the Chili Cook-Off a huge success. It was wonderful to see the community come together and enjoy our first indoor event for a year and a half.

Please let the clerk know if you are missing any pots or ladles.

**THANK YOU TO:**

- o Clear Creek Fire Authority for bringing the fire truck, Empire Police Department for bringing a patrol vehicle, and the Empire Public Works Crew for bringing our heavy equipment, all for the kids to explore and enjoy!
  - o Empire Sweet Shop for Halloween treats, chili, ice cream, and providing the t-shirt for the winner of the chili cook-off.
  - o The Backwaters Café for hot drinks and Halloween treats in the park and chili.
  - o Yogi at Phillips 66 Gas Station for providing ice for our soda pop.
  - o Trina & Paul Whillock for corn bread and other fixins, and Peggy Hubner for the delicious pies!
  - o Laura Talcott for helping at the food table, and Bob Wise for taking photos.
  - o Chris McMillian, and Jen & Lon Fulton & family for handing out Halloween Treats.
- ii. Small Business Saturday
  - iii. Christmas Celebration: December 11th, 4-5 pm in Theobald Park & 5-8 pm in Town Hall \*\*\* Details to follow in a Christmas Newsletter

- e. Admin:
- f. Public Works: (Parks, Streets)
  - i. Millings are still available for purchase.
- g. Water/Wastewater:
- h. Planning Commission:
  - i. All Planning Commission meetings are in-person with remote access.
  - ii. The November and December meetings are combined and will be held December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:30 pm.

**15. New Business**

**16. The Next Board of Trustees Regular Meeting is December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:30 pm. In-person with remote access.**

**17. Adjourn Meeting**

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