

**BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON JULY 5, 2016**

The July 5th, 2016 meeting of the Bridger Town Council was held at 108 South D Street in Bridger. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the meeting was called to order by Mayor DeRudder at 7:04 pm. Council members present were George "Butch" Wilm, Cliff Schultz, Mark DeRudder and Randy Novakovich. Others present were: Allen Althoff, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Judge Bert Kraft, Town Attorney Hope Freeman, Police Chief Mike Buechler, Public Works Director Tim Goldsberry and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

Clerk Sweet read the minutes of June 7th, 2016 meeting. Councilman Novakovich motioned to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder and the motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye.

The claims were the next item on the agenda. It was motioned by Councilman DeRudder to approve the claims. The motion was seconded by Councilman Novakovich. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye.

Next on the agenda was committee reports. Diane Keller with the Parks and Rec Committee was unable to attend but had asked Clerk Sweet to pass along some information. Clerk Sweet reported that the pool was doing well. They would like to consider keeping the pool open longer this year. Normally the pool closes when school starts but the committee would like to stay open some nights and weekends after school starts. Discussion ensued regarding the cost vs. benefit of remaining open as well as the possibility of the area schools using the pool for physical education classes. The matter will need further consideration. Krystal Zentner also reported that the buildings at the baseball field have been painted.

There were no citizen advisory reports.

No public comment on items on the Agenda.

And no correspondence.

Next on the agenda was zoning applications. Carol Nott submitted an application to add a fence to her property at 102 S B St. Mayor DeRudder read the application. A motion was made by Councilman Schultz to accept the application; the motion was seconded by Councilman Novakovich. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye. An application for the Mundt property was not returned to the Clerk's office thus no action was taken.

Allen Althoff was present and presented the council with an Easement for an existing water line across the Town's property. Attorney Freeman had already reviewed the Easement prior to the meeting and stated easement appeared appropriate. It was motioned by Councilman Schultz to sign the easement. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye.

Next on the agenda was a Special Events Application from Rank Rodeo Productions. The application was reviewed and discussion was had regarding possible damages, what the fees should be for use of the rodeo complex, security needs for this event and cleanup after the event. Councilman Schultz motioned to approve the application with the following restrictions: Law enforcement will be needed and the charge will be \$200.00 for the event. A refundable cleanup deposit in the amount of \$200.00 and the

Next was Budget Resolution # 190: Interfund Loan Transfers. Mayor DeRudder read the Resolution. Councilman Novakovich motioned to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye.

The next agenda item was a bid from Cool and More Heating, Inc. for an air conditioning unit for Town Hall. Discussion ensued regarding which buildings needed air conditioning considering the police / court side are not staffed full time as well as discussion about which funds the money would come from. Councilman Schultz motioned to accept the bid from Cool and More Heating for the furnace and air conditioning for the Clerk / Council building and to purchase an additional window unit for the Court Clerk's office, the funds should come from Capital Improvements Fund if possible. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye.

Next on the agenda was factory building leases. There were 2 leases for consideration, Carbon Equipment Repair and Country Bumpkin Candles. Carbon Equipment Repair currently leases a portion of the factory building but the council asked if they could move them to different area of the building. Steve Fendler from Carbon Equipment Repair was amiable to moving but needs his space to have limited access. Discussion over the term of the lease was had and a year lease is preferred by Carbon Equipment. A motion was made by Councilman Novakovich to lease the portion of the factory building that Carbon Equipment Repair is currently occupying to Country Bumpkin Candles for a 1-year term at a rate of \$200.00/month. The motion was seconded by Councilman Schultz. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – abstain and Councilman Novakovich – aye. Discussion ensued in regards to a fence as a possibly barrier to create limited access to Carbon Equipment Repair's area. It was thought that the Town should incur the cost of the fence. Councilman Schultz motioned to lease a portion of the factory building to Carbon Equipment Repair for a 1-year term starting July 15, 2016 at a rate of \$200.00/month. The motion was seconded by Councilman Novakovich. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye.

There was no public comment on items not on the agenda.

Attorney Freeman had nothing to report.

Public Works Director Goldsberry informed the council that they have been paving portions of the streets and all has been going well.

Chief Buechler presented the stats from June. Discussion regarding crosswalks was had and it was thought it should be an agenda item for the July meeting as we need to address this issue.

Clerk Sweet talked about budget in regards to when the meeting was supposed to happen and explained that she missed the deadline to advertise in the Carbon County News and that is the reason that the meeting did not take place in July as stated in the June minutes. Some discussion was had regarding a Facebook page for the Town of Bridger, one has been created and is ready to be used. Clerk Sweet stated it could be used for one-way information which would be a great place for public notices and general information.

Mayor DeRudder had nothing to report.

There being no further business Councilman Schultz motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilman Schultz – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Novakovich – aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

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