

BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR AUGUST 4, 2016

The August 4, 2015 Meeting of the Bridger Town Council was brought to order by Mayor Scott DeRudder at 7:00 PM. Council members present were George Wilm, Cliff Shultz, Gerry Roth and Randy Novakovich. Others present were: Seth Decker, Mac McCafferty, Sonya Oyler, Melva Lightburn, Mike McGinness, Bert Kraft, Ronny Aasterud, Town Attorney Hope Freeman, Police Chief Mike Buechler and Clerk Deanna Hay.

Clerk Hay read the minutes of the previous meeting. Randy Novakovich moved to approve the minutes as read. Cliff Shultz seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried.

The Claims were the next item. The Council asked to take Claim #9124 off the list. Gerry Roth moved to approve the claims with the removal of claim #9124. George Wilm seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried.

There were no committee reports.

There were no citizen advisory reports.

Under public comment it was brought up that a property needed to clean up their mess. Also, it was discussed that animal carcasses were being left in the dumpster and owner needed to be notified. Century Link needs to bury fiber optic in Town to Randy Novakovich's cable business, but it should not interfere with anything. Mike McGinness Bank of Bridger attorney reported that the bank as part of a settlement agreement, had agreed to install signs in the alley for Mr. Snyder and the Bank wanted to do their signs to fulfill the court order. The bank Attorney wanted assurance that their signs will not conflict with Bridger and the Council's decision to put up signs designating the Town's Ordinances. Town Attorney Hope Freeman assured that the Bank's signs and wording of signs will not conflict nor will their placement. Bert Kraft reported to the Council that he wanted to add Wednesdays to the Court calendar for law and motion day.

Under correspondence Sarah & Chris Tracey wrote a nice letter praising Bridger and their enforcement of the fireworks. The Senior Citizens were concerned with water and the goat head plants. The plants have been taken care of and Cenex can be contacted concerning the water. The Bank of Bridger invited the Mayor and Council to their appreciation picnic.

The next item on the agenda was the request for septic install at the David Colvin property. The lots are platted presently. Town Attorney Hope Freeman will look into the matter.

The old backhoe was the next item on the agenda. After discussion, Gerry Roth moved to advertise for sealed bids with a minimum bid of \$1500 with the deadline of ~~April 30~~ ^{August 31}, 2015 by ~~noon~~ ^{5:00 PM}. George Wilm seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried. *August 31 correction from minutes*

The next item was the Civic Center fee waiver for Bridger Cares on October 9th and 10th. Gerry Roth moved to waive the fee for the Civic Center October 9th and 10th. George Wilm seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried. The cleaning deposit still applies.

The Bridger Volunteer Fire Department has entered into a mutual aid agreement with the Frannie, Wyo. Rural Fire Department and needs to have the Bridger Town Council to approve it. Cliff Shultz moved to approve the Mutual aid agreement with Frannie, Wyo. Rural Fire Department. Randy Novakovich seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried.

Dispatch Services Contract was the next item on the agenda. Town Attorney Hope Freeman requested additional information from the County Commissioners. There is a question why incorporated Towns' are being assessed charges for the communication equipment and yet other communities are not paying. The Town has a contract. Town Attorney Hope Freeman recommended that she write a letter to the commissioners. The Mayor and Council concurred.

The next item on the agenda was business licenses for owners of rentals. A warning letter will be sent to those who have rentals to comply with Town Ordinances.

The next item on the agenda was zoning applications. A zoning application was read from Dillan Thomas at 510 S 2nd St for a fence for an approximate cost of \$1000. Cliff Shultz moved to accept the zoning application from Dillan Thomas at 510 S 2nd. Randy Novakovich seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried. A zoning application was read from Bob Muller at 101 S B for a wood storage shed on skids for an approximate cost of \$6,200. Gerry Roth moved to approve the zoning application for Bob Muller at 101 S B. George Wilm seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was to reschedule the final budget hearing. As the Town has not received the mill value from the County yet, the Town needs to reschedule the Final Hearing. George Wilm moved to reschedule the Final Budget Hearing to September 1, 2015 at 6:30 PM prior to the regular meeting. Cliff Shultz seconded and ~~the George Wilm seconded~~ and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried.

*correction
from
Sept. 1, 2015
meeting*

Town Attorney Hope Freeman had nothing to report.

Clerk Deanna Hay asked the Council to include the claim for the sewer aerators for \$55,000 on the claims list as the claim will be paid when the money is received from DNRC. Gerry Roth moved to pay the \$55,000 for the aerators when the money is received from DNRC. George Wilm seconded and the vote was George W-yes, Cliff S-yes, Gerry R-yes and Randy N-yes. Motion carried.

Chief Mike Buechler reported July has been very busy. Jim Bridger Days was quiet. Reserve officer Jake Parker was released to come back to work.

Under Public Works the water tower wires are corroded that communicate with the pumps. It was discussed that it would be a good idea to install a warning light system at the water tower. Also the water tank needs to be cleaned. The price of the tank inspection will need to be obtained.

There being no further business George Wilm moved to adjourn at 8:35 PM. Cliff Shultz seconded.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk