

BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 01, 2015

The December 1st, 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 Schultz, Gerry Roth and Randy Novakovich. Others present were: Krystal Zentner, Steve Fendler, Joni Giovetti, Mark DeRudder, Hope Freeman Town Attorney, Mike Buechler Police Chief, Clerk Kirstin Sweet and Clerk Deanna Hay.

Clerk Sweet read the minutes of the previous meeting. Correction needed to be made to the issue of November 2016 meeting. It should remain the first Tuesday of November as the holiday for Election Day falls on the second Tuesday for November 2016. Randy Novakovich moved to accept the minutes with corrected meeting day for November 2106, Cliff Schultz seconded and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

The claims were next on the agenda. It was moved by George Wilm to approve the claims, seconded by Randy Novakovich. The vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

There were no committee reports but Gerry Roth had information regarding ongoing Parks and Recreation projects. The Firemen installed the swing set at the swimming pool park. The ice skating rink will be set up soon.

There were no citizen advisory reports.

There was no public comment.

Correspondence was read by Mayor DeRudder, a thank you card from Mike and Rhonda Buechler, a Christmas card from Deanna Hay and a note from C.J. Meyers complaining of the water quality.

The election results from November 03, 2015 were read by Mayor DeRudder. The results were as follows:

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| • Scott DeRudder | 134 votes for Mayor, 2 year term |
| • George (Butch) Wilm | 125 votes for Council member, 4 year term |
| • Desiree Frietas | 3 votes for Council member, 4 year term |
| • Kirt McCulley | 18 votes for Council member, 4 year term |
| • Mark DeRudder | 20 votes for Council member, 4 year term |
| • Donovan Thomas | 5 votes for Council member, 4 year term |

Next on the agenda was the zoning applications. Carol Nott submitted 2 applications. The first was for updates to the mobile home located at 116 East Broadway. Updates would include metal roof, new doors, some new windows, new plumbing and new skirting. The second application indicated the potential for moving a double wide mobile home onto a lot located at 116 East Broadway. This would also include all services needed to make the home operational. Cliff Schultz moved to approve both applications, Randy Novakovich seconded and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

The 2nd reading of Ordinance #31 was read by Mayor DeRudder. Ordinance #31 is an ordinance amending Ordinance 33, code section 17.04.110 (application for zoning permits—required) to delete language. It was moved by George Wilm to approve the 2nd reading, seconded by Cliff Schultz and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was the 2nd reading of Ordinance #32. After the Ordinance was read by Mayor DeRudder a discussion ensued regarding enforcement of the new county burn permits, the automated reporting system used by the county and the jurisdiction of the violating parties. Cliff Schultz moved to accept the 2nd reading of Ordinance #32. It was seconded by Randy Novakovich and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – no and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

The next item on the agenda was stray dog boarding at Bridger Vet Clinic. Sue Knighton was unavailable so Mayor DeRudder and Clerk Sweet explained to the council the issue Bridger Vet was having with stray dogs being brought to them by Bridger Police. If a dog is brought to Bridger Vet clinic for quarantine due to the animal biting a person, then the Bridger Vet Clinic would like the Town of Bridger to pay for the cost of boarding and vaccinations. The council decided that Chief Buechler should talk with Sue Knighton at Bridger Vet Clinic and report back to Attorney Freeman so that a contract can be drawn up to address the situation.

The Furniture Factory building was the next item on the agenda. Discussion was had about the potential for cold storage of boats, campers, etc. Also, the potential of listing the building with a realtor and trying to sell it. The Fire Department along with the Ambulance service presented a proposal of putting all city services into the building. The point was made that significant funds would be needed to even get a proposal as to what the final cost of a renovation would be. Also, the building was built with CDBG and EDA grants so the restrictions from those organizations needs to be looked into! *A lease agreement with Carbon Equipment Repair was also discussed. Attorney Freeman will draw up the contract.*

The next item on the agenda was MMIA valuations for all of the Town's buildings, vehicles and movable equipment. Discussion ensued about the difference between the Replacement Value versus the Actual Cash Value and how it affects the yearly premiums. Clerk Sweet will look into the matter and report back at the January meeting.

Next item on the agenda was the issue of County Dispatch Services. George Wilm motioned for the council to sign ~~the 5 year~~ *the* contract for Dispatch Services with Carbon County. *based on the rolling 5yr. average* Cliff Schultz seconded the motion and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – no and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

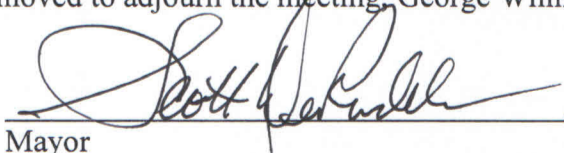
Attorney Freeman looked into the definition of "business". She said that the Town's definition was as good as any other Town's. It is a matter of interpretation. The council needs to decide what they want considered as a business and enforce it across the board.

Clerk Sweet asked the council to allow the hours of the Town Office to be changed. Cliff Schultz motioned to allow the office hours to be changed, Randy Novakovich seconded and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried. Clerk Sweet also asked for the council's permission to advertise for the assistant clerk position. The ad will run in the carbon county news for 2 weeks with an application deadline of December 21, 2015. Butch Wilm motioned to advertise for an assistant clerk, Cliff Schultz seconded and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried. Clerk Sweet also mentioned that she will need to be added to the town's bank accounts and will need a motion from the council to write a letter to the bank stating the need to add Clerk Sweet and remove Clerk Hay. Butch Wilm made the motion, Randy Novakovich seconded and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.


Police Chief Mike Buechler presented the stats for the month of November. Chief Buechler asked the council to consider changing the Town's current payroll schedule for the Town employees. Gerry Roth moved to accept the proposed schedule change, George Wilm seconded and the vote was George W – yes, Cliff S – yes, Gerry R – yes and Randy N – yes. Motion carried.

Public works Director Goldsberry was unable to attend the meeting.

There being no further business Gerry Roth moved to adjourn the meeting. George Wilm seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.



Mayor

ATTEST:


Town Clerk