BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON APRIL 9, 2019

The April 9, 2019 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 Shultz at 7:00 pm. Council members present were George "Butch" Wilm, Shala Cullum, Mark DeRudder and Doug Asbury. Others present were Julia Jones of Republic Services, Chad Bauer of Republic Services, County Commissioner Bill Bullock, Kellie Hoskin, Attorney Hope Freemen, Public Works Director Tim Goldsberry, Police Chief Mike Buechler and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The first item on the agenda was public comment. Kellie Hoskin commented about a dumpster in the alley between S 3rd Street and S 4th Street. The dumpster belongs to Bridger Fur Company. They have had odor issues before and she wants it noted that it is an issue again. Mayor Shultz will speak to Bridger Fur and find a solution, possibly find a different location for the dumpster.

Next on the agenda was correspondence. There was no correspondence.

Next on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the March meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Wilm, seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The next item of business was the approval of claims. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve claims with check numbers #31872 to #31910. Electronic check numbers #-98422 to #-98418. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The next item was the Payroll Summary. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the Payroll Summary including check numbers #31858 to #31868. Also, electronic checks #-87415 to #-87387. The motion was seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Committee reports was the next item on the agenda. No committee reports.

The next agenda item was a special events application. Mayor Shultz read the application for a corn hole tournament. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Wilm, seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Next on the agenda was Republic Services. Julia Jones and Chad Bauer were present for Republic Services. Mrs. Jones stated that they wanted to check in and make sure everything was going well. The cleanup weekend is scheduled for May 3 and 4 in the campground.

The council decided to move the Garbage Contract Renewal up on the agenda so as to complete that agenda item before Mrs. Jones and Mr. Bauer left. Some discussion was had regarding the renewal. Councilman Wilm motioned to renew the contract with Republic Services per the terms of the previous contract with the fall cleanup weekend added to the contract. Councilwoman Cullum seconded the motion. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – abstain.

An interlocal agreement with the county was next on the agenda. Discussion was had regarding the way the contract would work. The contract presented would need to be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder as well as the Secretary of State's office. Each joint project would require an addendum. A motion to approve the contract was made by Councilman Asbury, seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Next on the agenda was lease agreements with R&M solutions and Kussmaul Seeds. Discussion was had regarding the last time a rent increase was imposed. None had ever been done so there was discussion of raising the monthly lease amount. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to raise the monthly lease payment for both lease agreements by 5% on July 1, 2019 and the percentage increase will be revisited annually. Councilman Asbury seconded the motion. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The next item of business was the bid from Wharton Asphalt for resurfacing on E Park Ave and N B Street. There was discussion regarding funds available for this additional work. Clerk Sweet stated the gas tax fund couldn't cover both this project and the Broadway Ave project. However, some money from Capital Improvements or the General Fund could make up the difference. Councilman Wilm motioned to approve the bid. Councilman Asbury seconded the motion. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Next on the agenda was the rodeo grounds. Public Works Director Goldsberry and Mayor Shultz gave updates on the crow's nest and the lighting projects that are happening at the rodeo grounds.

An update on the factory building was next on the agenda. There is no new information.

Attorney Freeman had nothing to report.

Judge Kraft was not present but he left the court reports for the month of March for the council to review.

Library Director Zentner was not present.

Public Works Director Goldsberry gave an update on the sprinklers at the pool park. The map is ready and a valve needs to be replaced before they install sprinklers. He also updated the council on the replacement of the pump on our main well.

Chief Buechler presented the stats for the month of March.

Clerk Sweet reminded the council that an elected officials training is coming up in May. Councilman Asbury will attend and maybe Mayor Shultz.

Mayor Shultz had nothing to report

There being no further business Councilman DeRudder motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilm. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.

ATTEST:

Kirctin Sweet Town Clerk