

**BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON AUGUST 6, 2019**

The August 6, 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 7:04 pm. Council members present were George "Butch" Wilm, Shala Cullum, Mark DeRudder. Others present were Carbon County Commissioner Pits DeArmond, Julia Jones, Doug VanValkenburgh, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Judge Bert Kraft, Attorney Hope Freeman, Public Works Director Tim Goldsberry, Chief Mike Buechler and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The first item on the agenda was public comment. There was no public comment from the gallery.

Next on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the July 9, 2019 meeting. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilm. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye.

The next item of business was the approval of claims. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve claims with check numbers #32150 to #32192. Electronic check numbers #-98402 to #-98400. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye.

The next item was the Payroll Summary. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the Payroll Summary including check numbers #32115 to #32149. Also, electronic checks #-87283 to #-87254. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilm. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye.

Committee reports was the next item on the agenda. Councilwoman Cullum asked if anyone else could attend the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee. She is unable to attend, and Bridger needs to have a representative present. Clerk Sweet is willing to attend.

The next item on the agenda was lease renewals. There are two leases up for renewal in September. Attorney Freeman explained the changes in the leases. The first is with Carbon Equipment Repair. Discussion was had regarding some items stored in the factory building by Carbon Equipment Repair. Mayor Shultz will speak to the lessees. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the lease. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye. The second lease is with Country Bumpkin. Councilman Wilm motioned to approve the lease agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – abstain.

Next on the agenda was Julia Jones with Republic Services. Discussion was had regarding theft of services for using garbage cans paid for by another person. Some of the businesses are having difficulty with this. She also asked the council to set dates for our annual fall cleanup. It was decided to have the cleanup on October 18 and 19, 2019.

The next agenda item was zoning classification for the David Colvin property. Mr. Colvin was unable to attend the meeting, but asked that his property be changed to commercial zoning. Hope suggested we create and use an application for change of use and follow the procedure set forth in Ordinance 17.04.090. There was also discussion regarding what the county planning board could/would provide for the Town in regards to zoning.

Next was Resolution #218 Notice of Intent to Cancel the Election. Mayor Shultz read the resolution. A motion to approve the resolution 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.

The next agenda item is the audit contract for fiscal year 2018-2019. Clerk Sweet explained why we she would like to switch to one-year audits instead of auditing 2 years at one time. A motion to approve the audit contract was made by Councilman DeRudder, seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye.

Next on the agenda was the rodeo grounds. Mayor Shultz gave an update regarding the crow's nest. The grandstands will need some work before the next rodeo season. Some discussion was had regarding it being open to the public. Potentially we could find a fund to use for the rodeo grounds specifically and track the money however that would limit what can be spent. That will need further discussion/consideration.

The next agenda item was the factory building. There were no updates. Some discussion was had giving a recap of what has happened with the building up to this point.

Attorney Freeman had nothing to report.

Judge Kraft presented his stats for July.

Library Director Zentner had nothing to report.

Public Works Director Goldsberry reported on the alley paving project. He figures that we can do 2 blocks of alley for the money we have from the special gas tax but will see how it goes once it is started.

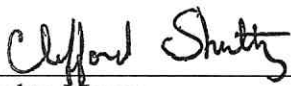
Chief Buechler presented his stats for the month of July. Chief asked Commissioner DeArmond to give us an update on the proposed new jail. Commissioner DeArmond gave a preliminary update on the project. He also gave an update on the windmill project.

Clerk Sweet asked the council to set the dates for the budget hearing, and to be thinking about the possibility of including in the budget raises for the capped employees. The preliminary budget hearing will be August 20, 2019.

Mayor Shultz had nothing to report.

There being no further business Councilman Wilm motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman DeRudder. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Wilm – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye and Councilman DeRudder – aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

ATTEST:



Cliff Shultz, Mayor



Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk