

**BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON DECEMBER 3, 2019**

The December 3, 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 Councilman Wilm at 7:00 pm. Mayor Shultz was absent. Council members present were George "Butch" Wilm, Shala Cullum, Mark DeRudder and Doug Asbury. Others present were Carbon County Commissioner Pits DeArmond, Dustin Taylor, Dustin Thomas, Steve Fendler, Judge Bert Kraft, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Public Works Director Tim Goldsberry, Chief Mike Buechler and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The first item on the agenda was the swearing in of the newly elected officials. Clerk Sweet swore in Mark DeRudder and Dustin Taylor. Mayor Shultz will be sworn in when he returns.

The next item on the agenda was public comment. Commissioner DeArmond informed the council that the county will hold a public meeting regarding the proposed county jail. He would like to invite the public to attend. He also spoke to the council regarding the possibility of putting a fence around one acre of the dump grounds that the county rents from the town. They would like to have a secure area. He asked that they be on the next agenda for a vote regarding the matter. He also informed the council that the wind farm is mostly shut down for the winter, but they have contacted local fire and ambulance. Councilwoman Cullum mentioned that she attended the Clarks Fork River Dinner and heard only good things regarding Bridger's wastewater system. Steve Fendler, Bridger Fire Chief and Dustin Thomas wanted to inform the council that they had applied for a grant for new structure gear/clothing. They did not get the grant. The Rural fire board is going to buy 4 sets of structure gear and \$11,000.00 for SCBAs. There was discussion regarding budget for the fire department. The Fire department will get some more figures together and we will put them on the next agenda.

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Next on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the November 5, 2019 meeting. Councilman DeRudder motioned to approve the minutes, 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.

The next item of business was the approval of claims. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve claims with check numbers #32379 to #32410. Also, electronic check numbers #-98381 to #-98376. 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.

The next item was the Payroll Summary. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the Payroll Summary including check numbers #32372 to #32378. Also, electronic checks #-87156 to #-87132. 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.

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

The next item of business was appointment of members to the airport board. We only have one interested member at this time. We will need to find another member for the board. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to appoint Merrill Pfeifer. Councilman DeRudder 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 creation of a capital improvements plan. Clerk Sweet explained the plan and that we need to be thinking about what items need to be on the list. We will continue to discuss this for several months.

Rodeo grounds was next on the agenda. Councilwoman Cullum asked that we start thinking about how we want to proceed with the rodeo grounds. Discussion was had regarding ways to manage it and provide access to the public.

Factory building was the next item of business. There was nothing new to report.

Attorney Freeman was not present.

Judge Kraft presented his stats for November.

Library Director Zentner had nothing to report.

Public Works Director Goldsberry had nothing to report.

Chief Buechler presented his stats for the month of November.

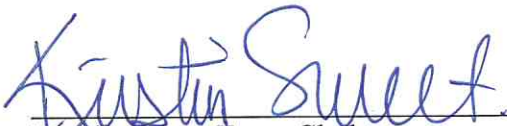
Clerk Sweet asked the council to set the dates for the Annual Christmas Open House. The date will be December 19, 2019 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Mayor Shultz was not present.

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, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

ATTEST:


Butch Wilm, Council President


Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk