

**BRIDGER TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES FOR A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON JULY 6, 2021**

The July 6, 2021 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 Council President Mark DeRudder at 7:00 pm. Mayor Shultz was absent. Other council members present were Dustin Taylor, Shala Cullum and Doug Asbury. Others present were Darran Schafer, Sargent Codi Peters, Ralph Dawson, Mike Santos, Library Director Krystal Zentner, Attorney Ray Kuntz, Police Chief Mike Buechler, Public Works Director Randy Novakovich and Clerk Kirstin Sweet.

The first item on the agenda was public comment. Police Chief Buechler introduced a new reserve officer Mike Santos to the council and members of the public. Reserve Officer Mike Santos was sworn in by Clerk Sweet.

Next on the agenda was the approval of the minutes from the June 1, 2021 regular meeting. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The next item of business was the approval of claims. The department heads answered questions regarding the claims. Councilwoman Cullum made a motion to approve the claims including check #33229 to 33231 and check #33260 to #33301. Also, electronic checks #-98282 to #-98278. The motion was seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Next on the agenda was the Payroll Summary. Councilwoman Cullum motioned to approve the payroll summary including check #33232 to #33259. Also, electronic checks #-86568 to #-86532. Councilman Asbury seconded the motion. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – 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 on the agenda was special events applications. There were two applications. The first was for the Seth and Micheal Memorial Tournament for the annual baseball tournament on August 20-22, 2021. Council President DeRudder read the application. A motion to approve the application was made by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye. The second application was for the Jim Bridger Days Demolition Derby and Truck Pull on July 16 and 17, 2021. Council President DeRudder read the application and noted that it is late and that we would need to waive the “two meetings before rule”. Discussion was had regarding some safety issues. A motion to approve the application was made by Councilwoman Cullum, seconded by Councilman Taylor. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The next item was the appointment of the library board members. Councilman Taylor, Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The Public Hearing for the 2020-2021 budget amendment was next. Council President DeRudder asked for public comment regarding the amendment. No public comment.

The next item on the agenda was Resolution #236 which was a resolution to increase the pay for capped employees. Council President DeRudder read the resolution. Discussion was had regarding the 2% increase and it was changed to 3%. Councilwoman Cullum made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilman Asbury. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The next item of business was Resolution #237 to amend the budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. Council President DeRudder read the resolution. Clerk Sweet explained the amendments. Councilwoman Cullum made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilman Taylor. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

The first reading of Ordinance #2021-01 was the next item on the agenda. Council President DeRudder read the ordinance. A motion to approve the first reading was made by Councilman Asbury, seconded by

Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye.

Attorney Kuntz updated the council on the municipal code update.

Judge Kraft was not present and had not left June stats for review.

Library Director Zentner reported that summer reading program is going well!

Public Works Director Novakovich

Chief Buechler presented his stats for the month of June.

Clerk Sweet had nothing to report.

Mayor and Town Council: None

There being no further business Councilman Asbury motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cullum. The motion carried with the votes as follows: Councilman Taylor – aye, Councilwoman Cullum – aye, Councilman DeRudder – aye and Councilman Asbury – aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.



Clifford Shultz, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kirstin Sweet, Town Clerk