

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AUGUST 8, 2011, IN THE TOWN HALL COMPLEX

- CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Irene called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken, Council Members present were:
Mayor Morgan Irene
Cm. John Larsen
Cm. Ken Casner
Absent: Cm. Janeen Jones
Cm. Angie Hobbs
Also present:
Linda Crane, Clerk/Treasurer, Pat Eastman, Public Works
- CITIZENS/VISITORS: Keith Haskins, PMPC, Bob Johnson, Peg Johnson, Wm. Sherwood, Joyce Menke, Al Santilli, Sheri Johnson, Frank Johnson, Betty Johnson, Bob Meyer
- APPROVE AGENDA: Mayor Irene asked for approval of the agenda: the addition of the WAMCAT Workshop and report from the Park Board was added. **Cm. Larsen motioned to approve the agenda as amended**, Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all members present voting aye.
- APPROVE MINUTES: Mayor Irene asked for approval of the minutes. **Cm. Casner motioned to approve the minutes of the regular meeting July 11th, Special Meeting July 21st and Executive Meeting July 21st**, Cm. Larsen seconded the motion, motion carried with all members present voting aye.
- REPORTS: Reports were given by PMPC, the Fire Dept., SCWEMS, Public Works Dept., HCJPB, Historic Trails RC&D, Parks and Recreation Board.
- PMPC: Keith presented the Council with a handout outlining the well project update. The company is working on the well development and should be complete on Monday. Keith asked for approval on pay application #2. **Cm. Larsen made a motion to approve work done up to now and pay application #2**; Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all members present voting aye. Keith wrote a letter to Water System Drilling, Inc. notifying them of liquidated damages which began the 7th of August. He said the Council can make a decision at a later date on how to approach the damages. He informed the Council that only one bid was received for the Tank and Transmission Line portion of the project. The bid came in above the estimated cost by about \$200,000.00. Keith's recommendation was to accept the bid from High Plains Construction Corp. and not put out a re-bid, sighting the reputation of the bidder, documents in order, past working experience with the bidder, rising supply costs and time constraints. **Cm. Larsen made a motion to accept High Plains Construction Corp. bid and issue a Notice of Award**; Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all members present voting aye. The Town's Attorney is reviewing the Water Meter Procurement Agreement. Then it comes back from the Attorney a Notice to Proceed will be necessary. Keith told the Council that the meters bid out cannot be obtained until Nov. 4th. He asked if they would consider purchasing a different meter if they didn't want to wait. The Council asked Pat's opinion on how to handle the situation and he recommended waiting for the meter to arrive. Once here they should take about 2 weeks to install.
- Fire Dept.: Bill said that the department has recently responded to some fires. Chris Rupp, a University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee senior and part-time firefighter and EMT, has planned an honorary bike route spanning more than 4,000 miles that will take him from San Francisco to New York City over the course of two months to reach Ground Zero for the 9/11 celebration. Also traveling with him is Santa Barbara County Fire Department Capt. David Sadecki. The cyclist spent the night in the fire hall.
- SCWEMS: There have been 31 calls year to date.
- Water: Pat reported the lagoons are operating at an 8% flow which is a significant decrease. He also has had some problem with the chlorination system that he has repaired. The sewer scope is complete and it found several breaks in

different areas of town. He will be ordering repair sleeves to get the breaks repaired.

Zoning: There is a variance to discuss later in the agenda.

Public Works: Mayor Irene said that the town is still looking for a full time Public Works person. The position has been placed on the Wyoming Workforce site.

HCJPB: Joyce Menke said the Board has been working on revising costs to dump, job descriptions, reestablishing their office space, and are getting the new office sited. There are 2 positions available on the JCJPB; one from Hanna and one from Medicine Bow. They had elections of officer. The next meeting will be August 11th in Medicine Bow at the Town Hall and the September meeting will be in Elk Mountain.

Park Board: Sheri Johnson told the Council that between 15-20 people helped with the park clean-up on Saturday. Work was done on the cabin landscaping and planters were added. They also worked on the gazebo footings and some electrical work. On Friday they planted a flowering crab apple tree at the park in memory of Kathy Wick Henslee. She discussed some plans for a Labor Day picnic combined with a luncheon as a benefit for the Elk Mountain Community Church. There are plans for a bake sale/auction with lunch on August 27th. More information will follow in the form of flyers and posters.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Linda gave the Treasurer's report to the Council and audience and recommended approval of the report. **Cm. Casner moved to approve the treasurer's report;** Cm. Larsen seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.

BILLS TO BE PAID: Linda presented the bills to be paid. **Cm. Larsen moved to approve the bills to be paid in the amount of \$50,601.58.** Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.
*** See attached list.**

OLD BUSINESS: Update Flood Plan: Mayor Irene asked the Council for approval to hire some temporary help to dismantle the Hesco Barriers and clean an area for storage in the Veteran St. Shop. **Cm. Larsen made a motion to approve hiring some part time help for this purpose;** Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye. Mayor Irene informed the Council and audience that many of the PTO parents helped dismantle the barrier around the school over the week end. Discussion on how and where to store the sandbags were tabled until the Council can get some prices on different options.

Update on Town Website: Linda told the council that she had sent some information and pictures so the web designers could get started on the pages.

Mosquito Control: The fogger and trap kit have arrived. Van Deist is coming to assemble the fogger and train on its use. The aerial spraying on the 16th was successful spraying 7,125 acres.

Consensus Funding: The Towns in Carbon County and the County Commissioners applied for funding set aside by the Legislator and granted through State Land and Investment Board. The Town of Elk Mountain requested funds to work on the sewer and the road to the sewer. At the next CCCOG meeting it will be decided from these requests which projects will be funded by a 70% vote of the CCCOG members.

Resolution Carbon County Visitors Council Agreement JPB: **Cm. Larsen made a motion to sign the resolution with the CCVC;** Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.

HCJPB Agreement Approval: This was tabled until the September meeting.

Federal Reserve Bank Pledge Agreement: **Cm. Larsen made a motion to sign the Federal Reserve Bank Pledge Agreement;** Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.

Class Action Suit: The town received notice that they are included in a class action regarding the sale of municipal derivatives by Morgan Stanley. No action was required by us to enter the lawsuit and we agreed to take part in it.

NEW BUSINESS:

WyDot Variance: After discussion on the variance being requested **Cm. Larsen made a motion to approve the variance request pertaining to the setbacks on the WyDot houses being erected on Balsam and Aspen;** Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.

Distribution of sand to CCSD#2: This item was tabled until next meeting.

Finance Workshop: **Cm. Casner made a motion to approve Linda attending the Finance Director Workshop in October;** Cm. Larsen seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.

Amending of Municipal Code: After discussion on amending portions of Chapter 2.04 of the Municipal Code the item was tabled. The Council would like better clarification from the Town's Attorney before amending.

WAMCAT Workshop: **Cm. Larsen made a motion to allow Linda to attend the WAMCAT Workshop in Casper on September 28th;** Cm. Casner seconded the motion, motion carried with all present members voting aye.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P. M.

Clerk

Mayor