

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN
1ST READING OF FY 23-24 BUDGET
April 12, 2023, Town Hall Complex**

Mayor Pro Tem Angie Hobbs Called the FY 23-24 Budget Hearing to Order at 6:11 PM.

Roll Call: Present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Joe Neel

Cm. Craig Mustard

Cm. Wade Nelson

Also present Heidi Hess, Clerk/Treasurer, Will Redmond, Public Works Director

Approval of Agenda: Cm. Neel made a motion to approve the agenda; Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Budget Discussion: After some explanations of the budget and various line items Cm. Mustard motioned to accept the FY 23-24 Budget on 1st Reading; Cm. Neel seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Adjourn Hearing: Mayor Pro Tem Hobbs called for Adjournment of the Hearing at 6:30. Cm. Mustard motioned to adjourn the hearing at 6:30; Cm. Neel seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 12, 2023, 6:30 PM TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

Meeting called to order: Mayor Morgan Irene called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Pledge Recited.

Roll Call: Present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Joe Neel

Mayor Morgan Irene

Cm. Craig Mustard

Cm. Wade Nelson

Also present Will Redmond, Public Works Director, Heidi Hess, Clerk/Treasurer.

Guests present: Ken Casner and Bob Meyer.

Approval of Agenda: Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve the revised agenda as read. Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Approve Minutes: Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2023. Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Reports:

Fire Department: Assistant Fire Chief Bob Meyer presented the Fire Department report to the Council. Bob reported that the Fire Department had 14 pages in the month of March. Engine #2 is currently being outfitted. When the work on Engine #2 is completed Engine #1 will go in for repair. The fire department's compressor is back from being repaired.

SCWEMS: Mayor Morgan Irene presented the SCWEMS report to the Council. Morgan reported that the last SCWEMS meeting was business as usual. Morgan also reported that some of the SCWEMS members attended a meeting with the Mayor of Hanna to learn more information about the Hanna ambulance barn.

Public Works Department: Will Redmond, the Public Works Director, presented the Public Works report to the Council. Will reported the sandbag attachment for the skid steer has been delivered and he will test it once the bags arrive. We currently have around a thousand sandbags filled and ready to go. The water plant and the lagoon are running very well. Will will begin work on framing the museum in the next couple weeks. Will has been monitoring the river levels and projected levels every day. Will had flushed and attached flags to most of the hydrants around town and he will get to the rest of them this month. Will is attending the water conference next week and is planning to attend the mosquito conference at the end of April.

HCJPB: Mayor Irene presented the HCJPB proposed budget for 2023-2024 to the Council.

Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the High-Country Joint Powers Board 2023-2024 budget. Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Park Board: There was no official report. The Town of Elk Mountain is now accepting bids for the park lawn care and facility cleaning for the Summer of 2023. Bids will be accepted until May 1, 2023.

Cemetery Board: No Report. The next meeting for the Cemetery Board will be held Tuesday, April 18th at 5:00 PM in the Town Hall.

Museum Board: Angie Hobbs, the Museum Director, presented the museum board report to the Council. Angie reported on the success of the Museum's tea party, which was held Saturday, April 8th. Angie thanked the Historic Elk Mountain hotel for helping the museum host the tea party in their dining room. Angie announced that we can now follow the museum on Instagram. @elkmountainmuseum Angie asked for funds from the town to help cover the cost of the windows for the new museum building.

Cm. Mustard made a motion to use \$1,200 from the Mayor Contingency Fund to help cover the cost of the new museum buildings' windows. Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs abstained, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Angie reported that the Carbon County Visitor Council grant application is due soon and to look for the upcoming Ducky Race.

CCVC: No Report

CCOG: No Report

LEPC: Mayor Irene reported that the next LEPC meeting will be held Thursday, April 13th. Mayor Irene also reported that LEPC has been holding meetings in preparation for any possible flooding across Carbon County.

CCEDC: Mayor Irene presented the CCEDC report to the Council. Mayor gave information regarding the upcoming Carbon County Leaders Conference to be held in Medicine Bow, in the month of May, to the Council.

Treasurer's Report: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the March 2023 Treasurers Report.** Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye. Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Bills to be Ratified and Paid: **Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve the March 14, 2023, to April 12, 2023, Bills to be Ratified and Paid in the amount of \$44,496.49.** Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Wind Impact Report: The Town of Elk Mountain received another \$6,153.85 from Gateway South Project in March. To date we have received \$49,230.80 from the Gateway South Project.

Correspondence: Two Rivers Transmission Project, Wyoming Children's Trust Fund, Ken Casner, Hobbs Lawn Care bid, and various emails and minutes that have been forwarded to the council.

Old Business:

Natural Gas Update: Mayor Irene shared with the Council the update to the Natural Gas feasibility study.

New Business:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04-12 A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OR TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN ISSUING A FLOOD DECLARATION. Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-04-12 A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OR TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN ISSUING A FLOOD DECLARATION. Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carries.

Carbon County Commissioner Meeting Tuesday, April 18th, 2023, 2:00 PM. To be held at the Elk Mountain Senior Center.

Executive Session: None needed.

Adjournment: With no further business to be brought before the Council. **Cm. Mustard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.**