

UNOFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019 IN THE TOWN HALL COMPLEX

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Irene called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Council Members present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Cody Jones

Cm. Bryson Kennedy

Cm. Craig Mustard

Also Present: Linda Crane, Clerk/Treasurer, Pat Eastman, Water Superintendent, John Page, Public Works

CITIZEN/VISITORS: No visitors

APPROVE AGENDA: **Cm. Kennedy motioned to approve the agenda as amended;** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

APPROVE MINUTES: **Cm. Jones made a motion to approve the September 9, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended;** Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

CITIZEN ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL: No one addressed the Council

REPORTS: Fire Dept: No Report. The Mayor visited with Fire Chief Rutherford about the fire department billing out of state insurance for calls to the interstate. The incentive behind this is to help train and retain fire fighters. Rutherford thought this could be use has a pilot program to see its viability. He suggested Mayor talk with the County Commissioners about the project.

SCWEMS: No Report.

Water Dept.: Superintendent Eastman told the Council he had talked with the water supervisor in Laramie about what be wrong with the variable speed drives at the water tanks. He said he could come out and look at the problem and may be of some help. Timberline came out and thought there was wiring problem. He is having a problem with the hot water heater at the water tanks. Eastman asked the Council what the plan was for him retiring. The Mayor asked him to stay on to serve as the backup sewer/waste water person until Garrett Irene can take his licensing test. The Mayor said that zoning will become part of the Public Works duties.

Zoning: Nothing for Zoning

Public Works: Public Works Director Page told the Council the museum heater has arrived. He will have it and the PW Building to install. He is about halfway finished with the deck on the back of the museum. Page received a bid from Timberline for \$8,900 to install the sewer lagoon pump controllers and move the SCADA down to the sewer plant. They will not install the pumps and suggested a company out of Cheyenne to do the work. **Cm. Jones made a motion to accept the bid of \$8,900 from Timberline Electric for the sewer project;** Cm. Kennedy seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

Page told the Council he was now working full time for the town. He has quite a few projects he is working on. Page asked the Council about purchasing a hydrant meter so that the town can keep track of the water sold to companies and individuals. Clerk Crane said she had not received any money from the WyDot contract and she would contact them again.

HCJPB: The Mayor contacted Craig McOmie for clarification on the town's trash truck. There is a misconception about what was discussed early in the closure plans and what the state is willing to do with buying out our truck now. He said he had worked on the JPB budget and it is later in the meeting to approve.

Park Board: Crane said Public Works has winterized the park for the season.

Cemetery Board: Mayor Irene visited with Cemetery Commissioner Briggs about the need for a meeting since there are donors looking at possible cemetery projects.

Museum Board: Museum Director Hobbs told the Council that a donor is willing to move the Cobb Cabin to the museum property and also has another building they would like to move too. Hobbs is in contact with Dan Smith to price the foundation and moving of these buildings. The museum has been in talks with Reed Brannon about fundraising for rehab of historical buildings in town. These donations could be run thru the Wyoming Community Foundation for tax credit. She wanted to know where the town stands on accepting more property and maintenance of the properties. She went to the Little Snake River Museum in Savery to visit with their director on how they handle the donation of property. The LSR Museums are a museum district and have a portion of a mill levy and work off of a \$600K budget a year. Their design and capabilities are so opposite of the town museum here. The Council thought more research and information was needed on the whole project. **Cm. Jones motioned to table the discussion.**

CCVC: No report. The town received their monthly meeting minutes.

CCCOG: Mayor Irene went to the Hanna meeting. There was a presentation of the 211 call and they paid bills.

LEPC: Bob Meyer has been attending the meeting for the town. He reported that attendance at the meeting give agencies and towns a priority on funding. They have a subcommittee reviewing the 2014 By-laws. Elections of officers were Chairman Ron Brown, Vice Chair Ryan Wells, Secretary Emily Kaluzny, Training Officer John Rutherford and Public Outreach and Education Jackie Wells. Code Red testing will be coming, check the City of Rawlins website for status and information. THIRA continues to focus on communication and power outages.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The \$1K error in the August Treasurers Report was a wrong number entered in the bottom portion of the report and it was corrected. All sections of the August Report now have the same ending balance of \$2,206,067.23. **Cm. Hobbs make a motion to approve the August 2019 and September 2019 Treasurers Reports;** Cm. Jones seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

BILLS TO BE PAID: **Cm. Jones made a motion to ratify and pay the bills from September 10, 2019 through October 16, 2019 in the amount of \$29,092.39;** Cm. Kennedy seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Review and Approval HCJPB FY 2019-20 Budget: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the HCJPB FY 2019-20 Budget as presented;** Cm. Jones seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

Public Works Pickup Bid: Public Works Director Page told the Council the Bid Opening for the pickup was held Monday 14th at 11:00. The town received 5 bids. He showed the Council the breakdown of how the bids matched the required specifications. Only one of the trucks met the criteria. **Cm. Kennedy made a motion to accept Bidder #5 for a total of \$37,000;** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries. The pickup delivery date has been extended because of the automotive strike. Clerk Crane said one other bid showed up after the published time and according to our legal notice it couldn't be considered and would be returned unopened.

Letter of Intent for the SCWEMS Town Representative: Mayor Irene appointed Caleb Hobbs as the representative for the town on the SCWEMS Board. **Cm. Jones made a motion to accept the appointment of Caleb Hobbs as the town's representative;** Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

November 11th Veterans Day Rescheduled Meeting: Offices are closed on November 11th so the November meeting is rescheduled to November 18th 6:30PM, Town Hall Complex.

Animal Carcasses: Cm. Kennedy discussed the dead animal carcasses that are being placed in dumpsters around town. They are causing other animals to dig in the dumpsters and odor from the rotting carcasses. PW Director Page said he has a dumpster at the fire hall that he will label for the purpose of disposing of these dead animals. He will also label the dumpsters coming into town so that out of town hunters know to take their remains to this dumpster. The Mayor asked that Crane send a box holder explaining this to the residents.

Approve Resolution 19-10-16; A RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE #18-01 FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019: **Cm. Hobbs motioned to approve Resolution 19-10-16 a amending budget ordinance #18-01 for the Town of Elk Mountain, Wyoming for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019;** Cm. Jones seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, motion carries.

Approve a purchase request from Jessica Mustard for Library Supplies and Equipment: **Cm. Jones made a motion to let the library order supplies and equipment estimated at \$620 w/o tax;** Cm. Kennedy seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Abstained, motion carries.

Cm. Hobbs told the Council she attended the ISC Hearing on Two Rivers and Lucky Star Wind Projects. The Town was awarded \$120,000 for Public Works and Public Safety.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None needed

AJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Cm. Hobbs motioned to adjourn at 8:00 PM;** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion; all council Members present voting Aye none Opposed.

CLERK

MAYOR