

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN
PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF WATER AND SEWER RATE INCREASE REVIEW
JULY 10, 2023, 6:00 PM AT THE TOWN HALL COMPLEX, 206 BRIDGE STREET, ELK
MOUNTAIN, WYOMING**

Call Hearing to Order: Mayor Irene called the hearing to order at 6:00 PM, Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Roll Call: Present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Mayor Morgan Irene

Cm. Craig Mustard

Cm. Wade Nelson

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

Guests present were Archie Roybal, Wendy Briggs, Brett Larson, Ken Casner, Bob Johnson, Joyce Menke, and Brian O'Connor.

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

Public Comment: Public comments were heard.

First Reading Ordinance #23-01: ORDINANCE #23-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, SECTION 10-1-5, AND 10-1-15. REGARDING WATER REGULATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING. Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve ORDINANCE #23-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, SECTION 10-1-5, AND 10-1-15. REGARDING WATER REGULATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING. Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

First Reading Ordinance #23-02: ORDINANCE #23-02 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, SECTION 10-3-4. REGARDING SEWER REGULATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING. Cm. Neel made a motion to approve ORDINANCE #23-02 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, SECTION 10-3-4. REGARDING SEWER REGULATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING. Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Adjournment: With no further business to be brought before the council, Cm. Mustard made a motion to adjourn the hearing at 6:31 PM. Cm. Nelson seconded the motion; all Council Members present voting Aye none Opposed.

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, July 10, 2023, 6:30 PM TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

Meeting called to order: Mayor Morgan Irene called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

Roll Call: Present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Joe Neel

Mayor Morgan Irene

Cm. Craig Mustard

Cm. Wade Nelson

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

Guests present: Archie Roybal, Wendy Briggs, Brett Larson, Ken Casner, Bob Johnson, Joyce Menke, and Brian O'Connor.

Approval of Agenda: **Cm. Joe Neel made a motion to approve the amended agenda.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the minutes of June 12, 2023.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Reports:

Fire Department: Brian O'Connor, the Fire Chief for The Elk Mountain Volunteer Fire Department, presented the Fire Department report to the council. The fire department is still looking for more volunteers. Engine 2 is back from repairs, and the firefighters were able to do some training on that engine last week. The fire department also helped the residents of Aspen Highlands burn some debris piles.

SCWEMS: Mayor Irene presented the SCWEMS report to the council. At the last scheduled meeting for SCWEMS, the board members approved the budget, and approved the sheet rock quote for the new ambulance barn in Saratoga. Mayor Irene also reported that SCWEMS has discussed the idea of ordering new ambulances. However, the wait period for a new ambulance build is lengthy, so SCWEMS has done some more research and may be able to replace the chassis of those ambulances needing extensive repairs.

Public Works Department: Will Redmond, the Public Works Director, presented the public works report to the council. Will reported that he has begun filling in potholes and will work on filling more this month. The water treatment plant is running well, and Will has put the mixer in the west tank. A replacement valve for the park bathroom toilet will be very costly. Will is hoping to rebuild the valve rather than replace it. The garbage truck is running well. The mosquito spraying has been going great with the assistance of Brett Larson. Will is hoping to have another quote for the onsite chlorination system by the August council meeting.

HCJPB: No Report. The next meeting will be in September.

Park Board: No Report

Cemetery Board: Brett Larson, the Cemetery Board Chairperson, presented the report to the council. Brett reported on the progress of the surveying project at the cemetery. The cemetery board has voted to raise the purchase price of cemetery plots beginning January 1, 2024. Brett asked the council's approval for the rate increase.

Cm. Neel made a motion to approve the increase of the purchase price for cemetery plots beginning January 1, 2024. Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Museum Board: Angie Hobbs, the museum director, presented the museum report to the council. Angie shared the updated progress on the new museum building. The windows have been installed and the final cost was below the original bid. The painting inside the new building has been progressing very well. The CCSD#2 recreation board grant has been finished and submitted. Angie also mentioned a private donor for the museum and discussed a few projects she would like to propose to the donor.

CCVC: No official report. However, Mike Armstrong, a reporter for *The Carbon County Comet*, shared some information regarding the Carbon County Visitors Council. The CCVC is working on a master plan to help promote tourism in Carbon County. A consultant has been brought in to help with the master plan. The CCVC has taken the promotion of tourism in Carbon County to the next level by utilizing social media and videos to help encourage visitors to Carbon County.

CCOG: No Report

CCEDC: No Report

Guest Speaker: Mike Armstrong spoke to the council to share information regarding the new *Carbon County Comet*. Mike along with a partner have created *The Carbon County Comet*. Mike shared copies of the first edition with the council and guests. Mike also answered questions about his new venture.

Treasurer's Report: **Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve the June 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 carried.

Bills to be Ratified and Paid: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the June 13 through July 10, 2023, Bills to be Ratified and Paid in the amount of \$34,917.38.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Wind Impact Report: There has been no new update to the Wind Impact Report since the June 2023 council meeting.

Correspondence: Various emails and minutes that have been forwarded to the council.

Old Business:

Rescind Mayor Contingency Fund Motion of April 12, 2023, to use \$1,200.00 from the Mayor Contingency Fund to help cover the cost of the new museum building windows. Cm. Neel made a motion to rescind the Mayor Contingency Fund Motion of April 12, 2023, to use \$1,200.00 from the Mayor Contingency Fund to help cover the cost of the new museum building windows. Cm. Nelson Seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Correction to Ordinance 22-10 An Emergency Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, Sections 10-1-5, and 10-1-15, and 10-1-17 Regarding water regulation inconsistencies not previously changed by ordinance for the Town of Elk Mountain, Wyoming. The ordinance number is incorrect and should be Ordinance 22-03. Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the ordinance number correction from Ordinance 22-10 to Ordinance 22-03 An Emergency Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, Sections 10-1-5, and 10-1-15, and 10-1-17 Regarding water regulation inconsistencies not previously changed by ordinance for the Town of Elk Mountain, Wyoming. Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

Correction to Ordinance 22-07 Designating 304 Oak Street Address. The ordinance number is incorrect and should be Ordinance 22-02. Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve the ordinance number correction from Ordinance 22-07 to Ordinance 22-02 Designating 304 Oak Street Address. Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

New Business:

APPROVING RESOLUTION 23-6-21 RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE #22-01 FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2022, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023. The approval of Resolution 23-6-21 was tabled for the next meeting.

Executive Session: None needed.

Adjournment: With no further business to be brought before the council, **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM.** Cm. Neel seconded the motion; all Council Members present voting Aye none Opposed.

Clerk

Mayor