

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, August 11, 2025, 6:30 PM TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Morgan Irene at 6:31 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Oath of Office: Councilman Linda Crane was sworn in to office by Clerk Heidi Hess.

Present at Roll Call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs
Cm. Joe Neel
Mayor Morgan Irene
Cm. Craig Mustard
Cm. Linda Crane
Public Works Director Will Redmond
Clerk/Treasurer, Heidi Hess

Guests in attendance: Brett Larson, Jessica Mustard, Ken and Nancy Casner, Garrett Irene, 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. Crane Aye, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the regular council meeting minutes of July 14, 2025. Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.

Reports:

Fire Department: Fire Chief Brian O'Connor presented the fire department report to the council. Brian reported there have been 45 call outs to date. The burn pile is closed awaiting colder weather before we can burn the pile. The new fire hose has arrived. The Rock River Fireman's Ball is this coming weekend. The firefighters who had attended the EMR class all passed.

SCWEMS: Mayor Irene presented the SCWEMS report to the council. Elections for officers were held at the last SCWEMS meeting. The new ambulance is stationed in Hanna and due to the grant stipulation, the ambulance will remain in Hanna.

Public Works Department: Will Redmond, the public works director, presented the public works report to the council. Will reported that the garbage truck, water treatment plant and the lagoon are all running well. The pothole project has been finished. We received the sanitary survey from the EPA, there are a couple of corrections to make, and these will be done in the next week. We received an application from the BLM for the natural gas project; the application fee will be \$2,227.00. The town is 644th in line with the BLM and this process may take about 2-3 years to complete. Will met with the engineer from WYDOT and they gave the

impression that they will be easy to work with on the project. Mr. Ken Casner's building permit was also discussed during the council meeting.

HCJPB: No Report.

Park Board: Brett Larson, the park board chairman, presented the park board report to the council. Brett thanked the council for the new garbage cans at the park. The park board will store the garbage cans during the winter. The board had a member resign. The board is continuing their plans for the Labor Day event to be held September 6th.

Cemetery Board: Brett Larson, the cemetery board chairman, present the cemetery board report to the council. Brett let the council know a board member resigned. Mayor Irene appointed Wendy Briggs to the cemetery board to fill the vacant seat.

Museum Board: Angie Hobbs, the museum director, presented the museum board report to the council. Angie reported that the museum's story keeper grant has been approved, and we received the funds for the grant on Monday. The CCSD#2 Recreation Board grant contract has been received. Plans for the Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser have begun. Angie thanked the council for monies donated from the town events line item to help purchase the food to be served at the Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser. The sign for the historic Elk Mountain church has arrived.

CCVC: No Report. The Carbon County Visitors Council is now called Discover Carbon County. Going forward CCVC will be changed to DCC on the agendas and minutes.

CCCOG: No Report

CCEDC: No Report

June 2025 Treasurers Report: Cm. Neel made a motion to approve the corrected June 2025 Treasurers Report. Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.

Approval of the July 2025 Treasurers Report was tabled.

Bills to be Ratified and Paid: Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the Bills to Be Ratified and Paid for July 15, 2025, through August 11, 2025, in the amount of \$55,488.42. Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.

Wind Impact Report: No change.

Correspondence: Thank you from Senior Center and various emails and minutes that have been forwarded to the council.

Old Business:

- **Carbon County Fire District Mutual Aid Agreement.** Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve the signing of the Carbon County Fire District Mutual Aid Agreement. Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.
- **Library Discussion:** Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the payment of the internet services and postage for the Elk Mountain Branch Library by the Town of Elk Mountain to help alleviate the budget cuts. Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Abstained, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.
- **Park Sidewalks.** Cm. Mustard made motion to approve Resolution 25-08-11B A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF UNDESIGNATED WIND IMPACT FUNDS FROM 1997 TO REPAIR THE CENTENNIAL PARK SIDEWALKS. Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.
- **Tabled APPROVING RESOLUTION 25-07-14 RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE #24-02 FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.** Cm. Neel made a motion to take approving RESOLUTION 25-07-14 RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE #24-02 FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025, from the table. Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.
- **APPROVING RESOLUTION 25-07-14 RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE #24-02 FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025.** Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 25-07-14 RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET ORDINANCE #24-02 FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF JULY 1, 2024, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025. Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.

New Business:

- **Addition of Cm. Crane to Town Bank Accounts:** Cm. Neel made a motion to add Cm. Linda Crane to the town bank accounts ending in 0464, 1732, 0072, 1724, and 0447 held at RNB State Bank. Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane abstained, motion carried.
- **APPROVING RESOLUTION 25-08-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF UNDESIGNATED WIND IMPACT FUNDS FROM 1997 TO PURCHASE A GENERATOR FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN FIRE HALL.** Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve

RESOLUTION 25-08-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF UNDESIGNATED WIND IMPACT FUNDS FROM 1997 TO PURCHASE A GENERATOR FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN FIRE HALL. Cm Hobbs seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Crane Aye, motion carried.

Adjournment: With no further business to come before the council. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 PM.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. All in favor none opposed.

Clerk

Mayor