

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019 IN THE TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Irene called the meeting to order at 6:30PM.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Members present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Cody Jones

Cm. Bryson Kennedy

Cm. Craig Mustard Absent

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

**MAYOR APPOINTMENTS:** Mayor Irene appointed Linda Crane to the Clerk/Treasurer position, Pat Eastman as Water Superintendent, John Page as Public Works Director and Galen Woelk as the Town Attorney.

**CITIZEN/VISITORS:** Ken Campbell, Jon Nelson

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

**APPROVE MINUTES:** **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the January 14, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes;** Cm. Jones seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Absent, motion carries.

**CITIZEN ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL:** Jon Nelson, Northfork Engineering addressed the Council. Mr. Nelson told the Council that the contract for the water meter engineering was back from the attorney and it was good to go. He wants to set up a time with Pat Eastman and John Page to talk about the radio reads, discuss the different meter manufactures and get information for a spec sheet so he can put it out for bid. The town will do the procurement of the meters and contract for the installing. Northfork will administer the project. Nelson will be in contact in the next week or so and expects a good recommendation to the town in March with quotes by May and a June or July installation. There was a discussion on warranties, annual fees and support fees. Page asks to have new meter pit lids specked out also. The Mayor signed the contract so Northfork can proceed.

**REPORTS:** Fire Dept: No one was in attendance for the fire department. Clerk Crane said Bob Meyer had brought in invoices for equipment to be paid with the impact funds.

SCWEMS: No report.

Water Dept.: Superintendent Eastman asked the Council if they wanted him to renew his water and sewer licenses. His water license expires this year and waste water expires in 2020 and he will need 24 hours of training. The Mayor told him to go ahead and plan to renew the licenses. John Page will be taking his waste water test on the 19<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor asked the Council if they had any problem with Garrett Irene getting his water and sewer licenses. There was a discussion on what Irene and the town would have to do so he can get his hours. The Council saw no problem with proceeding with him getting his licenses. The Mayor told the Council because Garrett is a relative he would be under the supervision of Eastman and Page and not him.

Zoning: No report.

Public Works: Public Works Director Page said he had been in contact with exterminators about the mouse problem at the fire hall. The ones he talked with do not want to travel this far especially in the winter. One told him what supplies to purchase to help with the problem. Page has purchased the new work benches for the Public Works Shop, got the air hose installed on the side of the building so the public is able to access it when they need too and the shop is organized enough to get the backhoe inside. Bob O'Connor and Page got the trash trucks door to latch after it was damaged. Page said he was going to get with the pump control company for more information on the sewer pumps. There was a conversation on the use of the old library building and if it should be winterized since we found problems with the heating. The conversation when went to the museum moving into the building since their avenue for funding has been decreased. The Council decided the museum could move into the building in May. Page said he would research a new heating source.

HCJPB: Ken Campbell told the Council there was no meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> so he had no report. Page asked if it would be possible to open the dump on Tuesday so he can dump the town's trash since his scheduled days are Monday and Tuesday for the town. Campbell said he would check into it for him.

Park Board: Next meeting will be in April.

Cemetery Board: No report

Museum Board: The Board is working on writing the CCSD#2 Recreation Board Grant for 2019-20 for funding to run the museum.

CCVC: The council will be holding their March meeting at the Elk Mountain Fire Hall.

CCCOG: No report.

LEPC: No report.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Cm. Kennedy made a motion to approve the January Treasurer Report as presented;** Cm. Jones seconded; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Absent, motion carries.

**BILLS TO BE PAID: Cm. Hobbs made a motion to ratify and pay the bills from January 15 through February 11, 2019 in the amount of \$18,626.89;** Cm. Kennedy seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Absent, motion carries.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** WDEQ, Pacific Power, Various emails and minutes

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Wind and Transmission Update: Carbon County Planning and Development Department sent an email with a referral form regarding C.U.W. Case #2019-01-Pacific Corp for the project named "Foote Creek Rim 1 Wind Energy Project" application for a conditional use permit-commercial wind energy facility in a RAM zone. The request allows the applicant to repower the Foote Creek Rim 1 Wind Energy Facility. The project consists of 68 wind turbines and pad sites the applicant plans to replace the 68 turbines with 12 new turbines. Comments on this should be in the CCP&D office by February 15<sup>th</sup> with the County Commissioners considering comments on the application at a public hearing April 2, 2019.

TransWest Transmission-Participating party: The Council decided not to be a participating party to the TransWest Project. The project is quite a ways out of our area to see much if any impact.

WLC-Boundary and Utility Survey: The Mayor told the Council that he attended a meeting with Doug Boyd and Craig Micek along with Eastman, Page and Crane. They discussed the procedure to start the mapping of boundaries and utilities. Micek will be starting to take GPS coordinates around town soon.

WyDot-72 resurfacing: Aaron Spenny, WyDot Engineer sent a message asking if the town had made any decisions on doing some road resurfacing when WyDot has the resurfacing company working on Highway 72. The town has discussed doing a resurfacing project from the river bridge at the end of Bridge Street to Balsam and East Spruce to the corner of Seiersen and Evans. The Council needs a clearer cost estimate before committing to the project. The Mayor asked Crane to contact Spenny for an estimated cost.

Specific Purpose Tax: Mayor Irene attended a Specific Purpose Tax Committee Meeting Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>. He had a handout of items that needed completed before Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, the projects that will be on the ballot in May, cost and the list of key influencers in each community. At this point if one wind project in the county goes this Specific Purpose Tax could be paid off considerably earlier than anticipated. The municipalities and county are doing education for this tax with advertising money set aside for posters, yard signs and banners.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Museum Board Reappointment: Mayor Irene reappointed Bill Jones to the Museum Board for a 3 year term. The Mayor asked for a motion for Bill Jones' reappointment and to appointed Linda Crane to the Clerk/Treasurer position, Pat Eastman as Water Superintendent, John Page as Public Works Director and Galen Woelk as the Town Attorney. **Cm. Jones so moved**, Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Absent, motion carries.

Cm. Kennedy asked about the possibility of the Labor Day Picnic and Parade being brought back. He said he has had residents ask if it could be held again. In the discussion it was brought up that it has been a Park Board project in prior years and should ask if they would like to continue with it. If they would chose not to put it together the suggestion was to see if there were residents interested in forming a committee that could plan and implement the event.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None needed

AJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Cm. Kennedy motioned to adjourn at 7:55 PM;** Cm. Jones seconded the motion; all council Members present voting Aye none Opposed

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MAYOR