

UNOFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL
MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2020 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

Absent Cm. Craig Mustard

Also Present: Linda Crane, Clerk/Treasurer, Pat Eastman, Sewer Department, John Page, Water Superintendent and Public Works, Bob Meyer, Fire Department

CITIZEN/VISITORS: None

APPROVE AGENDA: **Cm. Jones motioned to approve the agenda;** 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 December 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: No one addressed the Council

REPORTS: Fire Dept: Assistant Chief Meyer gave the November and December fire report. In November the department responded to 6 pages and December there were 13 pages. The Department had 101 page outs in 2019. The Chili Cook-off took in \$684.00 in donations and raffle ticket sales. The Gun Raffle is supposed to have its first drawing Thursday. 3 Firemen attended Fire School last weekend. John Page is working to rectify the furnace problem at the fire hall.

SCWEMS: Clerk Crane sent out the most current minutes to the Council.

Water Dept.: Superintendent Page told the Council that he and Pat Eastman were working on him transitioning into the superintendent role. They have troubleshot the problem with Well#3 and it needs to be pulled. He would like Watson Well Service to pull the pump and if necessary replace the pump and wiring at that time. The Mayor said to get it scheduled and a pump on the way. Page has researched some other sources for chlorine. UNIVAR out of Casper came in with a less expensive cost per gallon. He installed a new gauge to the chlorine barrels.

Zoning: Eastman turned the zoning department over to Page. There are some open permits that need closed out. Page has been reviewing the zoning recommendations from WLC. There are items in the current code and the proposed changes that the Council needs to discuss and make decision on how they want to proceed. Mayor Irene said he would work with Page on the wording and deletions and they would bring back to the Council for approval.

Public Works: Public Works Director Page told the Council he continues to work on organizing the shop and cold storage. He hopes to get the Christmas decoration down this week. CAT is scheduling to do the repairs on the backhoe. He has been researching a skid steer, put new chains on the dump truck, and installed the hydrant markers and continues to remove snow. The firehouse is having heating issues which should be resolved with a new circ pump. Along with the pump and some piping need replaced. The new pickup is estimated for delivery by the end of the month. Page has scheduled a mosquito abatement class in May.

HCJPB: The Mayor was unable to attend the meeting. He had visited with the new Mayor of Medicine Bow and furnished her with some documents that would help get her up to speed on the project.

Park Board: No Report

Cemetery Board: No Report

Museum Board: Museum Director Hobbs told the Council she had 12 visitors that were staying at the Air BnB in town. There is a new logo design for the museum. She has been working on a new webpage for the museum. She met with Duane Romsa who donated some items to the museum. They had a discussion on the size of building that would fit in the area behind the museum. It would be used to house the sheep wagon and mail buggy along with displays and storage. Page said he thought a 15x20 would fit in there.

CCVC: The town received their monthly meeting minutes and passed on to the Council. The town's representative went to the tourism conference in Cody with Director Jefferson and Saratoga's representative.

CCCOG: Mayor Irene attended the rescheduled meeting Wednesday the 18th at the Jeffery Center in Rawlins. Kara Choquette gave an update on the proposed wind tax options which ended up dying in committee. The next meeting is Wednesday at City Hall in Rawlins.

LEPC: Bob Meyer gave an update on the meetings he attended; John Rutherford presented the purpose and history of LEPC to the group. The Local Emergency Response Commission is to identify hazards and make a plan. They are working to put together a Type 3 local team. This addresses multi agency incidents and how to work together. They received a quote of \$13,700 for the Type 3 teams. It is five day training for 15 individual. The 3-5 person teams train to handle multiple agencies with complexity; each person will train for each ICS section. Wyoming Pipeline Association will meet Wednesday March 18th. The next meeting is February 12th. There will be an influenza event tabletop in Saratoga January 15th.

TREASURER'S REPORT: **Cm. Hobbs make a motion to approve the December 2019 Treasurers Reports;** Cm. Kennedy seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Absent, motion carries. Crane had printouts on the updated impact funds received and expended.

BILLS TO BE PAID: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to ratify and pay the bills from December 10, 2019 through January 13, 2020 in the amount of \$31,405.85;** Cm. Jones seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs, Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kennedy Aye, Cm. Mustard Absent, motion carries.

CORRESPONDENCE: WDEQ, Aaron Spenny, WyDot Engineering

OLD BUSINESS:

The Mayor said he had received a notice from FEMA that Phase 1 & 2 of the flood plain plan has been completed and they would be sending a letter for Phase 3 in March. He wanted to make sure we were able to let everyone know so they can make public comment on the decisions.

The Mayor said he was still waiting to hear back from the attorneys on the SPT natural gas project.

The interstate fire billing is on hold until more people can be brought into the conservation.

NEW BUSINESS:

WyDot I-80 Resurfacing Project: Crane told the Council that Aaron Spenny contacted the office about purchasing water for the upcoming overlay projects on I-80. He said he would get an agreement together and present it to the Council at an upcoming meeting for approval.

WAM Convention: Crane told the Council that the WAM Winter Conference will be February 26-28th at Little America Resort in Cheyenne. Anyone wanting to attend let her know and she will get them registered and lodging booked.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None needed

AJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Cm. Jones motioned to adjourn at 7:40PM;** Cm. Kennedy seconded the motion; all council Members present voting Aye none Opposed.

CLERK

MAYOR