

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, November 13, 2023, 6:30 PM TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

**Meeting called to order: Mayor Morgan Irene called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Roll Call:** Present at Roll Call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Joe Neel

Mayor Morgan Irene

Cm. Wade Nelson

Cm. Craig Mustard

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

Citizens present: Brett Larson, Ken Casner, and Robert Meyer.

**Approval of Agenda: Cm. 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 regular minutes of October 9, 2023.** Cm. Neel 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:** Robert Meyer, a member of the Elk Mountain Volunteer Fire Department presented the Fire Department report to the council. Robert reported that the fire department responded to eight incidents. Engine one is still being repaired. The fire department received their Rescue 41 struts last month. The annual gun raffle and the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual quilt raffle have begun. Tickets for both raffles can be purchased from any member of the fire department. The quilt is currently on display in the town hall office. The annual chili cook off will be held at 6:00 PM on December 31<sup>st</sup> at the fire hall.

**SCWEMS:** Mayor Irene presented the SCWEMS report to the council. Mayor Irene reported that the last SCWEMS meeting was business as usual. SCWEMS had put in a bid for property for the Hanna ambulance barn. Medicine Bow has a new SCWEMS representative.

**Public Works Department:** Will Redmond, the Public Works Director, presented the public works report to the council. Will reported that the garbage truck is still running well, but the garbage truck does have a cracked window washer tank, which a new one will be ordered. Will has been taking advantage of the nice weather to work on getting potholes filled. Will has switched to winter hours and is now working Monday through Friday. Will received a bid from Affordable Tree Care in the amount of \$600 to trim the trees around the museum. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to use \$600 from the Museum Building Other fund account number 416.023 to pay for the museum tree trimming project.** Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried. Will is working on getting the equipment ready for the winter months. The water treatment plant and the lagoon are both running great. Will requested that some of the older Christmas lights used for the bridge be replaced. **Cm. Hobbs made**

**a motion to use \$500 of the Unreserved Public Works Fund to purchase replacement lights and timers for the bridge Christmas decorations.** Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

**HCJPB:** No Report

**Park Board:** No Report. Mayor Irene appointed Archie and Angie Roybal to the park board.

**Cemetery Board:** Brett Larson, the cemetery board chairman, presented the cemetery board report to the council. Brett reported that the surveying and mapping project is ending. The last of the rebar was set today. The road project is finished, and the cemetery board is happy with the result. The cemetery board is now in the process of writing new by laws for the cemetery.

**Museum Board:** Angie Hobbs, the museum director, presented the museum board report to the council. Angie reported that the Annual Pumpkin Patch raised \$5,000.00 for the Elk Mountain Library, Elk Mountain Museum, and the HEM FFA Chapter. The museum was open for Trick or Treating on Halloween. The museum was also asked to share the war exhibits at the Veterans Breakfast on November 9<sup>th</sup> at the HEM High School.

**CCVC:** No Report

**CCOG:** No Report

**LEPC:** No Report

**CCEDC:** No Report

**Treasurer Report:** **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the October 2023 Treasurer Report.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

### **Consideration of Bills and Claims.**

**Bills to be Ratified and Paid:** **Cm. Neel made a motion to approve the October 10, 2023, through November 13, 2023, Bills to be Ratified and Paid in the amount of \$23,472.60.** 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:** Included in packet.

**Treasurer Report Discussion:** Cm. Nelson addressed the council with the need to relabel the treasurer report SPT 2019 (Specific Purpose Tax 2019) line item to read as Natural Gas Project. It was suggested that the change will clarify where the SPT 2019 funds are allocated for. Mayor Irene requested to the town clerk that the SPT 2019 line item be changed to read as Natural Gas Project on the treasurer report.

**Correspondence:** Wyoming Semi Quincentennial Planning letter, Various emails and minutes that have been forwarded to the council.

### **Old Business:**

- Natural Gas Update.

### **New Business:**

- **APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 23-11-13 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR DEPOSITING PUBLIC FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN, WYOMING.** Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION 23-11-13 DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES FOR DEPOSITING PUBLIC FUNDS 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.
- **Banking Disclosure Letter.**

**Adjournment:** With no further business to be brought before the council, **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30PM.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion; all Council Members present voting Aye none Opposed.

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Clerk

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Mayor