

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018 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. Joseph Grillo

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Cody Jones

Cm. Robert Meyer

Also Present: Linda Crane, Clerk/Treasurer, Pat Eastman, Water Superintendent, Rory Neuman, Public Works Director

**CITIZEN/VISITORS:** Bill Sherwood, Sheri Johnson, Kellsie Domnitz

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

**APPROVE MINUTES:** **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the March 12, 2018 Regular meeting minutes as corrected;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries.

**CITIZEN ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL:** No one addressed the Council

**REPORTS:** Fire Dept.: Cm. Meyer told the Council they had 9 calls last month including vehicle crashes, gas leak and a fire. The Department had their election of officers; Ryan Lewis, Chief, Paul Hays, Assistant Chief, Karen Hays, Secretary and Bob Meyer, Treasurer and Bill Sherwood and Brian O'Connor as Captains.

SCWEMS: Last month's regular meeting was held at the PVCC in Saratoga. Because of resignations board seats were filled. Ralph Brokaw, Chairman, John Rutherford, Vice Chairman, Matthew Cox, Secretary, and Cindy Talbott retained her Treasurer seat. The Board went into executive session to bring the members up to speed on personnel and possible litigation.

Water Dept.: Superintendent Eastman just returned from being out of town and said things ran well when he was gone. Neuman watched the tanks and took samples. He also said the solar bee in one of the tanks is working intermittently he would be checking wiring and if there is any warranty on the equipment. The Mayor said he had the information from Eastman and Neuman on the proposed chlorine system but hasn't had time to contact the company.

Zoning: Nothing for zoning

Public Works: Public Works Director Neuman said he has been working on the mosquito foggers getting them ready for the season. The door on the new library has a problem and he was going to contact Tim Johnson about repairing through the company that installed. The backhoe has a flat tire that needs repaired. The old library is getting cleaned out from the Christmas decorating and there will be tables and chairs to use for groups that want to use the building for meetings or gatherings. The bathroom building at the park needs roof repair and some damage to the inside of the building. The roof will need primed and a top coat of sealer to fix the leaks. Neuman said the new shop is ready to start painting and getting the plumbing connected. The building has passed electrical inspection and he is doing the fire inspection punch list. After the town is granted occupancy he will move the office and build shelves in the bay area. The map room will be in the mezzanine. Lonnie Briggs needs the mowers out for the cemetery so he can get the things cleaned up for Memorial Day. Neuman said he has been contacted by a chemical company to change our chemical we use for aerial spraying. It is less expensive and a "greener" product with a better kill rate.

HCJPB: Cm. Grillo told the council that the landfill has had some equipment issues and did some work on pension agreements for employees. They amended last FY Budget and are done with the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the FY 18-19 Budget. They will have a 3<sup>rd</sup> reading on the 16<sup>th</sup>. They are considering shorting hours by one hour a day after May 1<sup>st</sup> to cut down on overtime. Bills were paid in the amount of \$16,775.55.

Park Board: Sheri Johnson said that the Board has had three resignations and 2 of the remaining 4 members aren't back for the summer yet so they have not had a meeting but have discussed moving forward thru email. They decided to have Garrett Irene mow the park and Megan Davies take care of the trash and bathrooms for the summer. The Mayor asked that Crane put out a flyer requesting anyone interested in being on the park board to contact the office. The Mayor signed a thank you card for the Hanna Ward Youth Group for filling all the Easter eggs for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Kim and Morgan Irene hid the eggs for the hunt.

Cemetery Board: No Report

Museum Board: Director Kellsie Domnitz asked the Council to consider moving the museum to the old library when the lease is up in June at the EMRE building. The museum is planning a Firemen's Ball as a fundraiser May 26<sup>th</sup>; she is looking for volunteers to help with the planning. They had a loom donated from Victor and Nancy Anderson.

CCVC: No Report

CCCOG: Mayor Irene attended the March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Clerk Bartlett and Irene Archibald did a presentation on the 2009 Specific Purpose Tax. Wednesday a meeting on TB Flats will be held in Medicine Bow to discuss an MOU with other agencies and counties and justification for impact funds.

LEPC: Rep. Meyer said there hadn't been any meetings since last council meeting to report on.

Region VI Meeting: The next meeting will be in Rawlins on April 12<sup>th</sup> at Fire Station 2. Cm. Grillo said he would attend if the Council thought it was something we want to stay involved in.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer reminded the council of the budget workshop on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the March Treasurer Report as presented;** Cm Jones seconded; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries.

**BILLS TO BE PAID:** **Cm. Grillo made a motion to ratify and pay the bills from March 13, 2018 through April 9, 2018 in the amount of \$28,945.52;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** DEQ & ISC TB Flats Permit Application, (2) Carbon County Clerk's Office, Invenergy, WAM, Carbon County Library Foundation. Crane told the council that Jenita Calton from the CC Library Foundation asked if the town would be interested in allowing the foundation to place a free library somewhere in town. The free library is a water proof box mounted on a post that would hold books for anyone to take. You can return the book to the box, replace with another or just keep the book. Because of the limited hours our library is open it is an opportunity for a person to get reading material on a day it is closed. The money to fund this were previously used to buy Carbon County students books but since Sinclair Refinery has started a bigger book give away the foundation was looking for another way to connect with communities. Some of the Councils concerns were that the library already has a "give and take" bookcase in the vestibule that is similar in design. If they change the wording on signage to "free books" in the vestibule it would work similar. Council comments were if they have extra monies it could be used to fund more open hours at the libraries, there could be confusion of returning a regular library book to the box and someone else taking it could cause a loss of a book. Crane said she had received a letter from the County Clerk asking to certify the position that will be on the Primary Ballot. She sent a list including Mayor Irene, Cms. Grillo and Meyer whose terms are completed at the end of 2018 and Cm. Hobbs on an unexpired 2 year term.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Community Center/Phase 1 Update: **Cm. Jones made a motion to close out the Community Center Phase 1 Project;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries. Mayor Irene asked for a motion to start the Community Center Phase 2 Project and fund the design of the community building. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to start Phase 2 and approve an expenditure of \$5,900 to start the design phase of the community center;** Cm. Jones seconded motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries.

Boswell Springs Wind Project: Clerk Bartlett sent out the construction schedule and the IAP pay and Impact Assistant Funding Distribution.

TB Flats Wind Project: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to become a party to the TB Flats Wind Project;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Specific Purpose Tax Early Pay Off: Rep. Eastman explained to the council that the JPB is looking into paying off the Bonds early. There are 3 scenarios he talked about. After the presentation the Council felt they needed more clarification on how this would work. After discussion **Cm. Jones made a motion to agree to pay the Town's estimated portion of 15.038% to pay off the difference owed on the bonds and be reimbursed in June 2018 after the rebate is received;** Cm. Hobbs seconded; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, motion carries.

May 2019 Special Election-6<sup>th</sup> Penny Special Projects: The Specific Purpose Tax Committee wanted to know if the communities that wanted to take part in the 6<sup>th</sup> Penny Projects have ideas they would like to use the money for in their communities. The Council passed a resolution that the next project the town would do was to bring in natural gas service. The Mayor said he would have to look into the pricing because costs have changes since the resolution.

Town Clean-up: The town clean up will be June 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at 8:30AM. Watch for more notices.

CP&L Notification: The town decided not to continue with the surge protection device on our meter at the town hall. Crane was directed to write a letter to CP&L informing them of the decision to not continue.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None needed

AJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Cm. Hobbs motioned to adjourn at 9:00PM;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; all council Members present voting Aye none Opposed

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MAYOR