

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2017 IN THE TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Cm. Cody Jones called the meeting to order at 6:35PM. Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Joseph Grillo

Cm. Cody Jones

Absent: Mayor Morgan Irene

Cm. Robert Meyer

Also Present: Linda Crane, Clerk/Treasurer, Pat Eastman, Water Superintendent

**CITIZEN/VISITORS:** Aaron Spenny, WyDot, Tim Morton, WyDot, Matt Murphy, WyDot, Bill Sherwood, Linda Edmonds, Judy Redding

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

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Cm Jones asked for approval of the October 9, 2017 meeting minute. Without a quorum to approve the minute Cm. Grillo made a motion to table approving the October 9<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes; Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries. Cm. Jones asked for approval of the October 28, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes. Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the October 28<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting Minutes; Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries.

**CITIZEN ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL:** Aaron Spenny, Tim Morton, Matt Murphy with WyDot addressed the Council. WyDot wants to make the community aware of projects that will be coming in 2021. There is a plan to replace the pipe at the State Pond on Highway 72 and a Mill and Overlay of Highway 72 from the junction to the Bow River Bridge. They wanted to address any concerns and give contacts if anyone has concerns. They wondered if the town had any projects planned in the next few years that could possibly be combined into their project such as resurfacing town streets. They would like ARSs addressing any plans a year prior to the start of the construction.

**REPORTS:** Fire Dept.: Bill Sherwood told the Council that the department had been called to the Interstate for some blow-overs. He said with the success of the Gun Raffle the Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> Chili Cook-off would not be as large a money raising venue as in previous years. There will still be the Quilt Raffle, Chili Cook-off and silent auction items. Caroling will start at 5:00PM with the cook-off at 6:00PM. The Department was donated a 20ft Semi trailer container to use in fire training and a GMC truck that could be scrapped out.

SCWEMS: The next meeting will be in Saratoga on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Water Dept.: Superintendent Eastman told the Council he had attended the WWQPCA in Casper to receive hours for recertification of his sewer license.

Zoning: The town has issued 3 building permits this last month.

Public Works: Clerk Crane told the Council that Public Works is waiting to hear back from 71 Construction, electricians and furnace contractors for bids on the shop building. Director Neuman worked on potholes around town this week.

HCJPB: Rep. Redding said the Board now had a plan to present to all the Mayors for the landfill closure. The cost is estimated to be \$35.00 per household up \$9.00 from Elk Mountains current charges. Saratoga has been transporting trash to the landfill which is bringing in additional revenue. The Board approved bills in the amount of \$7,538.89.

Park Board: No Report no meetings till spring

Cemetery Board: No Report

Museum Board: Clerk Crane said she had received the minutes from the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. They had discussed fund raisers and are looking into a new coffee distributor. Chairman Menke told the museum board Josh Thieriot, the current leaseholder would not object to breaking the lease if the library were to move. Director Domnitz has been putting on activities for the residents and there is an informational flyer in the Post Office of upcoming events.

CCVC: Rep. Julie Webb attended the annual conference in Saratoga. She sent a report recapping how the "That's WY" campaign received the prestigious Mercury Award for Print Campaigns, Department of Tourism is planning on continuing the Call of the WY campaign, the Tiny House campaign a seen on HGTV and Another WY Weekend next summer. There was discussion on the 1% tax proposal on hospitality estimated to generate approximately \$17.5 m per year, this could make the DOT self supporting and take them off the State's general fund budget. Tourism is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest employer in the state and largest private sector employer. The final Eclipse results are not in but they ball parked the visitors count at .5 million with an average length of stay of 3.5 days spending an estimated 200 million.

CCCOG: The City of Rawlins will host the next meeting November 15<sup>th</sup>.

LEPC: Cm. Grillo said that Homeland Security has grants available for up to two projects that must be applied for separately. These grants can be used to purchase equipment/etc. Clerk Crane has forwarded the information from the Emergency Management Coordinator to the Council to review.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasure Crane told the Council that she had attended the financial retreat put on by WAM in Saratoga. The utility billing is late because of equipment malfunction; the office is working on getting it corrected. Crane recommended approving the October Treasurers Report as presented. **Cm. Grillo made a motion to approve the October Treasurer Report as presented;** Cm Hobbs seconded; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries.

**BILLS TO BE PAID:** **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to ratify and pay the bills from October 10, 2017 thru November 13, 2017 in the amount of \$19,978.75;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** LGLP, RNB, WyDot, Verizon, Documents from all the parties to the Boswell Springs Project, Various Minutes and Emails

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Community Center/Phase 1 Update: Discussion in the Public Works reports.

Verizon: Clerk Crane contacted Trileaf, the consultant for Verizon to see where they were with the follow up meeting. They are still waiting on the engineers. She was told to hold on to the letters of support until after the next meeting.

Boswell Springs Wind Project: Cm. Grillo told the Council he attended the ISC prehearing conference on November 6<sup>th</sup> to start the proceedings. He will need to get with the Mayor to fill him in on the next step, where the Mayor will have to testify to the Council on November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> in Laramie.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Christmas Decorations: The Council decided to hold the Annual Christmas Decorating on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30am at the old library with lunch to follow at the senior center.  
"PLEASE NOTE: Update to avoid confusion — the meeting date has since been changed to December 9th at 8:30am."

Rawlins Nation Bank Depository: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to accept the RNB as the towns depository for FY 2017-18;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries.

WyDot Project 0404014, Hanna-Elk Mountain, Wy 72 South Carbon County: Addressed in audience Participation.

Museum Board Appointment Advertisement: Board Member Menke will not be asking for reappointment to the Museum Board. **Cm. Grillo made a motion to advertise for people interested in filling the seat;** Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Grillo Aye, Mayor Irene Absent, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None needed

AJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Cm. Hobbs motioned to adjourn at 8:00PM;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; all council Members present voting Aye none Opposed

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MAYOR