

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2018 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. Dawn Kenneda

Absent: Cm. Meyer

Also Present: Pat Eastman, Water Superintendent, Ken and Pam Campbell, HCJPB, Paul Hayes, Fire Department

**CITIZEN/VISITORS:** Tracy Schneider, CCSD#2, Craig Mustard

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

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the August 13, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes; Cm. Kenneda seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kenneda Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries.

**CITIZEN ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL:** CCSD#2 elementary principle Tracy Schneider introduced herself. She expressed her appreciation to be living and working back in the area that she grew up. She mentioned her efforts looking into the reorganization of a preschool in Elk Mountain that would need to be self-funded. She indicated that such a program may help to boost the attendance numbers at the local school in the future. She stated she would work to keep the school open as she knows the negative effects on a town due to closure having experienced that herself.

**REPORTS:** Fire Dept: Assistant Chief Hayes told the Council the department responded to 10 calls last month. The "250 fire" (milepost 250) was caused by a piece of hot metal off of a vehicle. The BLM also responded and finished the response since it was their responsibility. The town's fire department also provided mutual aid to the Rawlins F.D. when they sent a request for fire 2 miles south of Rawlins. The "265 fire" is believed to be arson. Evidence was collected and will be turned over to DCI to join the investigation with the State of Utah. Fires were set at many points along the route beginning in Utah across I-80 through Wyoming.

Asst. Chief Hayes told of the new plan for fire prevention week. In hopes of reaching more than the 4 enrolled in the elementary school they will be hosting the local youth at the firehouse. The date will be announced and a time planned to accommodate the largest number of attendees.

SCWEMS: Next meeting is September 11<sup>th</sup> at the Saratoga Station at 6:00PM.

Water Dept.: Superintendent Eastman said everything is running well with nothing to report.

Zoning: Eastman reported that he attended the FEMA meeting in Saratoga. The Council would like to mention in a newsletter that flood plain maps are available to view in the town hall. We will plan a public meeting with FEMA representatives to discuss results in the coming months.

Public Works: Mayor Irene told the Council Director Neuman has had the backhoe serviced so it is ready for winter.

HCJPB: Ken and Pam Campbell reported that the new landfill operator Adam Waxweiller was introduced to the board. They also told of complaints of the landfill not thoroughly covering the garbage as they were accustomed to with the previous operator.

Park Board: No report.

Cemetery Board: There was no report

Museum Board: Cm. Kenneda said the museum closed for the season after the Labor Day weekend. The board members and museum director will offer scheduled tours through the winter and ask to be contacted if anyone is interested.

CCVC: No report.

CCCOG: Mayor Irene attended the special meeting in Saratoga. CCCOG agreed to hire George K. Baum and Co. to be the consultants for the 6<sup>th</sup> penny special purpose tax re-authorization. All entities agreed to get their projects with costs and timelines to County Clerk Bartlett by November 9<sup>th</sup>. The cost of \$38,060.00 will be paid for by the participants according to the percentage share of the last specific purpose tax they received for their project. Elk Mountain's share is \$3638.16. The next meeting will be in Hanna on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

LEPC: No Report

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

**BILLS TO BE PAID:** Cm. Jones made a motion to ratify and pay the bills from August 14, 2018 to September 10, 2018 in the amount of \$23,804.00; Cm. Kenneda seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kenneda, Cm. Meyer Absent, Aye, motion carries.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** John Zeiger, Carbon County Emergency Planner, various emails and minutes

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Community Center/Phase 2 Update: No Report.

Boswell Springs Wind Project: No updates.

TB Flats Wind Project: No Update

Ekola Flats and Gateway West Impact: Cm. Hobbs attended the prehearing and said it went well. She mentioned the ISC is looking for ways to streamline the process. Cm. Kenneda attended the hearing. She reported they were able to accomplish everything in 1 day. She shared that she testified specifically about the extraordinary responsibilities our fire department already has that will be multiplied by the impact of the project. She also sold the council on the need of the extra funds we requested by explaining specifically how they would offset the impacts of extras in our town. Our full request was granted.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

THIRA/SPR Participation Certification: An email was read from the Carbon County Emergency Planner, Jon Zeiger about our THIRA/SPR Participation Certification. This allows the town to be eligible for upcoming funding. **Cm. Jones made a motion to sign the THIRA/SPR participation certification document;** Cm. Kenneda seconded the motion; Council poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kenneda Aye, Cm. Meyer Absent, motion carries

Propane Contract: Information from Ferrell Gas was presented to the council about the propane contract options including a fixed price of \$1.93 per gallon and a cost plus \$.75 per gallon option. **Cm. Kenneda motioned to sign the contract for a fixed \$1.93 per gallon for 1 year with Ferrell Gas;** Cm. Hobbs

seconded the motion; Council poll; Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Jones Aye, Cm. Kenneda 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 7:40 PM;** Cm. Kenneda seconded the motion; all council Members present voting Aye none Opposed

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