

**TOWN OF ELK MOUNTAIN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday, October 14, 2024, 6:30 PM TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

**Mayor Morgan Irene called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.**

**Roll Call:** Present at roll call:

Cm. Angie Hobbs

Cm. Joe Neel

Mayor Morgan Irene

Cm. Craig Mustard

Cm. Wade Nelson

Public Works Director Will Redmond and Clerk/Treasurer Heidi Hess

**Citizens and Guests:** Bob Johnson, John Rutherford, Homer Beach, Brett Larson, Ken Casner, and Cindy Loose.

**Approval of Agenda:** Cm. Nelson made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Cm. Neel 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 minutes of the September 9, 2024, council meeting. Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

**Guest Speakers:**

John Rutherford, the District Fire Chief for the Carbon County Fire District addressed the council regarding the mutual aid agreement.

Cindy Loose from Discover Carbon County also addressed the council.

**Reports:**

**Fire Department:** No Report

**SCWEMS:** Mayor Irene presented the SCWEMS report to the council. Morgan reported that it has been business as usual. Morgan also updated the council on the status of the Hanna ambulance barn property.

**Public Works:** Will Redmond, the Public Works Director, presented the public works report to the council. Will reported that the garbage truck is running well and will be serviced and given a bath this week. The lagoon is running well also. The water treatment plant controls for well 3 burned up last week and well 4 has been running. Browns Hill Engineering will be here this week to fix the issue with well 3. The WYDOT paving project on Highway 72 will begin this week and plan to pave Bridge Street next week, weather permitting. Will also reported that we received a rough estimate for adding a new water tank and load station which came in at 1.2 million. We will research grants to help alleviate the cost. Will has also gotten a quote to fix and update the fire hall heating in the amount of \$3,800.00. Will also shared the bids Voltech had given him for the fire hall in the amount of \$13,900.00 and for the wastewater lagoon in the amount of \$39,800.00.

**HCJPB:** No Report

**Park Board:** Brett Larson, chairman of the park board, presented the park board report to the council. Brett presented the council with a rough draft of the new park board by-laws asking for the council's input. Brett also informed the council of their plans for a Christmas decorating project. Brett also added that the park board wanted to inform the council that the park sidewalks are in need of repair.

**Cemetery Board:** No Report

**Museum Board:** Angie Hobbs, the museum director, presented the museum board report to the council. Angie reported that the new museum building looks great. The trees trimmed around the museum look much better. The museum had recently been gifted two survey map from the 1870's. Angie reported that the annual Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser will be held on October 24 at 6:00 PM. **Cm. Neel made a motion to use funds from the Town Events account to help the Museum Board, Elk Mountain Public Library, and FCCLA Club purchase food for the main meal to be served at the pumpkin patch fundraiser.** Cm. Mustard seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs abstained, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

**CCVC:** Cindy Loose, the Destination Development Specialist, from Discover Carbon County was present to report to the council about the Discover Carbon County tourism survey. If you are interested in filling out a survey you can see Clerk Hess in the town office before October 31<sup>st</sup>. Cindy also let the council know that the Carbon County Visitors Council is now known as Discover Carbon County.

**CCCOG:** No Report

**CCEDC:** No Report

**Treasurer's Report:** **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the September 2024 treasurers report.** Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

**Bills to be Ratified and Paid:** **Cm. Neel made a motion to approve the September 10, 2024, through October 14, 2024, Bills to be Ratified and Paid in the amount of \$32,223.97.** 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:** Report Included in the packet.

**Correspondence:** Various emails and minutes that have been forwarded to the council.

**Old Business:**

- **FEMA Flood Damage Ordinance Second Reading.** Cm. Mustard made a motion to approve the second reading of the FEMA Flood Damage Ordinance. Cm. Nelson seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

- **Elk Mountain School Facility Contract: Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the Elk Mountain School Facility Contract.** Cm. Neel seconded the motion. Council Poll: Cm. Hobbs Aye, Cm. Neel Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Mustard Aye, Cm. Nelson Aye motion carried.

**New Business:**

- Clerk Hess suggested to the council that the next Council Meeting should be rescheduled. The second Monday of November is the 11<sup>th</sup>, which is Veteran's Day. The council agreed to hold the next council meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:30 PM.

**Adjournment:** With no further business to come before the council. **Cm. Mustard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM.** Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; all Council Members present voting Aye none opposed.

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Clerk

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Mayor