

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD AUGUST 20TH, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE  
SARATOGA TOWN HALL

Mayor John Zeiger called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present were Councilman Mike McWain, Councilman Steve Wilcoxson, Councilwoman Susan Howe and Councilwoman Judy Welton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a request for a Malt Beverage Permit and a request for an Open Container Permit. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2013 meeting as presented. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS: Councilwoman Welton read the following bills for approval: Accounts Payable: \$69,522.70; Payroll and FICA for 8/12/2013 in the amount of \$63,962.76; and manual checks in the amount of \$231.23, for a total of \$133,716.69.

Councilwoman Howe made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$133,716.69. Councilman McWain seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor Zeiger stated that Clerk Cox had suffered a mild heart attack and would be hospitalized for a few days. Council members and audience members wished her a speedy recovery.

CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Zeiger read a letter from Saratoga resident Edward Fourman expressing concerns about the location of the recent Steinley Cup Brewfest and asking the council to consider not using Kathy Glode Park for future Brewfests and moving the event back to Veterans Island. Public Works Supervisor Chuck Bartlett stated that Veterans Island may not be large enough for the event with the increased participation but it may be possible to overflow into Tyler Pickett Park once it has been constructed.

Mayor Zeiger indicated that he had received some calls of concern regarding Brewfest. Police Chief Wachsmuth stated the police department received one call related to Brewfest for a scuffle.

Mayor Zeiger stated he would address concerns about Brewfest with the Saratoga/Platte Valley Chamber of Commerce.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

Town Hall: Mayor Zeiger asked the council to approve a Letter of Commitment as participating jurisdiction in Carbon County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning to be submitted to the Carbon County Clerk. He explained that in order for the county to get federal funding to update its multi-hazard mitigation plan it is necessary to have a letter of commitment from each of the communities.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve a Letter of Commitment as participating jurisdiction in Carbon County Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Planning to be submitted to the Carbon County Clerk and to allow the mayor to sign. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Zeiger read Resolution #2013-04 supporting the development and improvement of the Sgt. Tyler Pickett Park annex next to Veteran's Island Park. He explained that to date a resolution had not been formally adopted.

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to approve Resolution #2013-04 supporting the development and improvement of the Sgt. Tyler Pickett Park annex next to Veteran's Island Park and to correct the date of adoption to August 20, 2013. Councilwoman Welton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Wilcoxson thanked the Town of Saratoga for their support of the development of the park and Chuck Bartlett for his time spent developing the plan for the park.

Fire Department: Mayor Zeiger reported that the county has a 1990 Pierce Fire Truck with 7,000 miles that they would like to give the Town of Saratoga. He asked that the council officially accept the fire truck and then the county would forward the title to the town.

Councilman McWain made a motion to officially accept the 1990 Pierce Fire Truck from Carbon County. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Zeiger also reported that the fire department had responded to two car wrecks.

Police Department: Chief Wachsmuth reported he received a quote for cameras to be installed at the hot pool. He stated that for 4 cameras and an 8 channel DVR it would cost \$4,140.40. The equipment would enable the police department to have live feed from the hot pool and would also allow them to access activity from a specific time or day.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to purchase the 4 cameras and the 8 channel DVR for \$4,140.40 and install the equipment at the hot pool. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Wachsmuth also reported that there was a person of interest in the previous hot pool vandalism.

Chief Wachsmuth reported that there was an individual interested in the School Resource Officer position. Mayor Zeiger asked that the individual come to Saratoga and meet the council members and they would consider hiring for the position at the next meeting.

Recreation Department: Recreation Director Burton reported that on Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> the Saratoga Trout Run/Walk was held with approximately 60 participants. Proceeds will benefit Tyler Pickett Park.

#### Department of Public Works

- Street Department: Public Works Supervisor Bartlett reported that his crew had been making equipment repairs, working on improvements at Good Times Park, painting school cross walks, and mowing at the airport.
- Water & Sewer: Public Works Supervisor Bartlett reported that his crew had been working on water leaks.
- Weed and Pest: No report
- Hot Pool: No report

#### **REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:**

Airport Board: David Worthington addressed the council with concerns about the new airport leases and possible changes that may be contained in those new leases. Mr. Worthington attended the last Airport Board meeting and had asked the board about the changes but was not given an answer. Mr. Worthington expressed specific concerns about eliminating sections of the lease that allow subletting a hangar and being able to store personal items in a hangar other than an airplane. Mr. Worthington also asked if the new leases would be effective in January, 2014 since his current lease is in effect until January, 2015. Mr. Worthington encouraged the council to review the proposed lease changes at their convenience as the leases are between the leaseholder and the Town of Saratoga.

Councilman Wilcoxson indicated that the airport board is trying to coordinate the leases so they are all renewed at the same time and have the same expiration date.

Mr. Worthington also inquired as to the status of transferring final decision making authority from the Airport Board to the Saratoga Town Council. Mayor Zeiger indicated they were waiting for a rough draft from the town's attorney, Tom Thompson.

A request for reimbursement for federal funds for airport improvements in the amount of \$5,378.00 with permission for the mayor to sign was presented.

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to approve the request for reimbursement for federal funds for airport improvements in the amount of \$5,378.00 and allow the mayor to sign. Councilwoman Welton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

A request for reimbursement for state funds for airport improvements in the amount of \$359.00 with permission for the mayor to sign was presented.

Councilman McWain made a motion to approve the request for reimbursement for state funds for airport improvements in the amount of \$359.00 and allow the mayor to sign. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the airport board is scheduled for September 11, 2013 at 1 p.m. at the Saratoga Town Hall.

Community Center Joint Powers Board: Councilwoman Welton reported the annual fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.

The next meeting will be held Monday, September 16, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.

Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board: Ken Schwerdt from PMPC addressed the council and explained that SPT Request for Reimbursement #2013-41 in the amount of \$1,187.50 represents warranty work and punch list items for the water meter replacement project.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the SPT Request for Reimbursement #2013-41 for the water meter project in the amount of \$1,187.50 and allow the mayor to sign the request. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the water and sewer joint powers board will be Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Landfill Board: An agreement between the UPRSWDD and the Town of Saratoga with permission for the mayor to sign was reviewed. Public Works Supervisor Chuck Bartlett asked that the date be amended to July 11, 2013.

Councilman McWain made a motion to approve the agreement between the UPRSWDD and the Town of Saratoga and allow the mayor to sign and to amend the date to July 11, 2013. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Richard Hodges addressed the council and stated that the 3<sup>rd</sup> trailer of recycling would be filled by the end of August and that would bring the total to 120 tons collected in less than 2 years.

The next meeting will be September 4, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Medical Board: No report

Planning Commission: The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Recreation Commission: The next meeting will be Monday, September 9, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Community Garden Board: The next meeting of the Saratoga Community Garden Board will be Monday, September 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. There will also be a work day on Saturday, August 17, 2013.

South Central Emergency Services Board: No report

**BUSINESS:**

A Special Events Application from Toga Productions to have Jalan Crossland play at the Yard on September 14<sup>th</sup> was reviewed. The application did not indicate if alcohol would be served. Cindy Bloomquist stated that they were still working on a plan and would apply for the appropriate permit when details had been finalized.

The application did not have the necessary signatures and Mayor Zeiger asked for and received verbal approval from Planning and Zoning Officer Bartlett and Chief of Police Wachsmuth.

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to approve the Special Events Application submitted by Chris Shannon and Toga Productions to host Jalan Crossland at The Yard on September 14<sup>th</sup> from noon to 10 p.m. Councilman McWain seconded and the motion carried.

A Malt Beverage Permit submitted by Chris Shannon for an event on August 25<sup>th</sup> for the Blind Dog Smokin' Toga Production Benefit was reviewed. (A Special Events Application was approved at a previous council meeting).

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to approve the Malt Beverage Permit for August 25<sup>th</sup> for the Blind Dog Smokin' Toga Production Benefit. Councilman McWain seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

A Request for Waiver of Open Container Permit submitted by John Huntley on behalf of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for a picnic at Veteran's Island on August 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6 – 8 p.m. was reviewed.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the Waiver of Open Container Permit submitted by John Huntley on behalf of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for a picnic at Veteran's Island on August 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6 – 8 p.m. Councilman McWain seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Resident Tammy Taylor stated that until she started painting her store front she had no idea how many parking spaces were taken up by the local business owners. She asked if it would be possible to ask the business owners to leave the parking on Bridge Street for tourists and customers.

Mayor Zeiger suggested asking the Chamber of Commerce to help with the issue next spring.

Mayor Zeiger reported that there would be a full scale emergency scenario conducted on the afternoon of Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> in the area of Kathy Glode Park. Emergency workers from Elk Mountain, Ryan Park, Encampment and Saratoga are scheduled to participate in the training exercise. The exercise is scheduled as part of his duties as Emergency Management Coordinator for Carbon County.

Adjournment: Being no further business to come before the meeting, Councilwoman Welton made a motion to adjourn. Councilman McWain seconded the motion.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on September 3, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

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Mayor John Zeiger

ATTEST:

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Lisa G. Burton