

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL
HELD DECEMBER 19, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE
SARATOGA TOWN HALL

Mayor Ed Glode called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present were Councilman Will Faust, Councilman Steven Wilcoxson, Councilwoman Jennie Lou Garland and Councilman Richard Raymer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilman Faust made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Councilwoman Garland seconded and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Councilman Faust made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2017 meeting as presented. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Garland made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2017 meeting as presented. Councilman Raymer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS: Treasurer Sammy Flohr read the following bills for approval: Accounts Payable: \$33,507.97; Payroll and FICA for pay period 11/13/2017 in the amount of \$51,236.06; and manual checks with November Liabilities in the amount of \$51,839.05 for a total of \$136,583.08.

Councilman Faust made a motion to pay the Shively Hardware bills in the amount of \$1,177.01. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried. Mayor Glode declared a conflict and abstained.

Councilman Faust made a motion to pay the remaining bills in the amount of \$135,406.07. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: William Schroer addressed the council and stated he recently purchased two lots that are being used as a trailer park. There are two trailers and one RV parked at that location. Because he had concerns about having an RV parked at that location he filed for a special use permit that would allow the property to continue being used as it was when he purchased it. He followed the special use permit process including getting signatures from within a three hundred foot radius of those properties. Mr. Schroer noted that the permit was approved by the planning commission at their regular meeting, but with the following restrictions.

- The permit would only be good for nine months and would exclude any grandfathering clause, the permit would then expire. Between now and that nine month period the planning commission believes they will be in the process of changing Title 18 of the town municipal code with the intent to address mobile home parks and parking of travel trailers, RV trailers and campers. When the planning commission makes their intended changes to Title 18 of the Municipal Code it will no longer allow the parking of campers or trailers in town unless it is in a Mobile Home Park
- Further discussion covered mobile home parks, non-conforming uses, and options Mr. Schroer has for overturning the planning commission's decision with no action taken.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

Town Hall: No report

Fire Department: No report

Police Department: Chief Robert Bifano reported from the police department as follows:

- The new part time dispatcher is in training and doing very well
- The 911 system seems to be working with local cell phone 911 calls coming into the police department but are still waiting for the admin lines to be changed over

Recreation Department: No report

Department of Public Works: Director Jon Winter reported on the street, water and sewer departments as follows:

Street Department:

- Continue to work on the heated sidewalks on West Bridge Avenue trouble shooting the meter and electrical wiring from the pole to the meter.
- Completed replacing the bay door at the street shop
- Continue patching as weather permits
- Keeping equipment maintained and ready for snow plowing

Water & Sewer:

- The lagoon improvement project has been advertised for rebid, the pre-bid meeting will be held on January 5th and the bid opening will be on January 26th.
- After reviewing options for a jet rodder repair or replacement a list of options had been prepared for the council's review. Discussion followed with Mr. Winter reviewing the choices of repairing the current jet rodder which would require a new Hi-Vac pump at a cost of approximately \$12,500, purchasing a used refurbished jet rodder costing between \$15,000 - \$30,000, if one can be found, or purchasing a new jet rodder at a cost of \$35,000 - \$65,000. Following the discussion Councilman Raymer made a motion to allow Jon Winter to request bids for the purchase of a new jet rodder and preparing the information to be reviewed by the council at the next meeting. Councilwoman Garland seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Airport Board: Councilman Raymer reported that for unforeseen reasons the lighting and camera project has been set back for a few days but the lights will be set in the coming week and the camera will be installed shortly after the New Year.

The next Airport Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

Community Center Joint Powers Board: The next meeting of the Community Center Joint Powers Board will be January 8, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board: The next Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board meeting will be January 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Landfill Board: The next meeting will be January 3, 2018 in Encampment at 7:00 p.m.

Medical Board: No report

Planning and Zoning: Mayor Glode read a letter of interest submitted by Tom Westring requesting appointment to the Planning commission.

Councilman Faust made a motion to appoint Tom Westring to the Planning Commission. Councilman Raymer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be January 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Recreation Commission: The next meeting will be January 17, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

South Central Wyoming Emergency Services: No report

Adjournment: Being no further business to come before the council, Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to adjourn at 6:35 p.m. Councilwoman Garland seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

Ed J Glode, Mayor

ATTEST:

Suzie Cox