

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD DECEMBER 4, 2018, 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 Mayor Glode, Councilman Will Faust, Councilman Steve Wilcoxson and Councilman Richard Raymer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilman Raymer made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Councilman Raymer made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2018 meeting as presented. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS: Treasurer Samuel Flohr read the following bills for approval: Accounts Payable: \$73,106.89; Payroll and FICA for 11/27/18 in the amount of \$58,464.90; and manual checks in the amount of \$43,344.35, for a total of \$174,916.14.

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to pay the bills in the amount of \$174,916.14. Councilman Raymer seconded and the motion carried.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC: Jason Armbruster, District Ranger, addressed the council with an update on the water and sewer line installations for the Forest Service complex south of town. It was noted that Water and Sewer Foreman Chuck McVey was monitoring the project site daily and working closely with the contractors and project managers. Additionally, it was assured that a resident would be hooked into the sewer line at the lift station on S. Veterans. As soon as the sewer line is completed the contractors will begin installing the waterline along highway 130/230 and the Forest Service will begin securing easements for that line.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Raymer reported on the COG meeting and the outcome of the Specific Purpose Tax project proposals. The town has reduced their request by 21% and most communities reduced their requests substantially to bring the total project costs to an amount that voting members of COG approved. The total approved cost of \$52,275,229 for the projects will be funded by the 6<sup>th</sup> penny tax and will be paid back within 17 years. The importance of the 6<sup>th</sup> penny tax to all communities in Carbon County and the need to pass the tax in May 2019 was reiterated.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

Town Hall: Clerk Suzie Cox noted that there would be an employee Luncheon on December 20, 2018 at noon in the town hall.

Fire Department: No Report

Recreation Department: Councilman Raymer reported the following:

- Two bikes have been ordered for the spinning classes
- Ladies Night-Out has been scheduled for December 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 8:00 at the community center

The next meeting will be held at 5:00 on December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall.

Police Department: Chief Bifano reported Kyle Murphy has accepted the position of a police officer for the Town of Saratoga beginning December 10, 2018.

Department of Public Works: Councilman Raymer voiced his concerns about the snow and ice that has built up along the curbs on Bridge Street. Councilman Raymer noted that he had witnessed a couple of individuals falling down crossing from the street to the sidewalk. He will be asking that better snow removal attempts be made before the ice builds up.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Airport Board: Councilman Raymer reported the following:

- \$3400 was collected in landing fees from October 1<sup>st</sup> through November 12<sup>th</sup>
- Hanger inspections have been completed
- Leases will be mailed out by the end of the month

Councilman Wilcoxson thanked the airport board for implementing the landing fees.

The next Airport Board meeting is on December 12, 2018

HealthCare: Councilman Faust reminded everyone of the subcommittee assisting the Corbett Medical Foundation, The Platte Valley Sustainability Board will be holding another meeting on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at the community center. The discussion will cover:

- Introduction of staff at the medical clinic
- Physician recruitment update
- Public question and answer time

#### Joint Powers Boards

Community Center Joint Powers Board: The next meeting of the Community Center Joint Powers Board will be held on Monday, December 10, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board: Councilman Raymer reported that the November meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Landfill Board: The November meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.

The next Landfill Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. December 5, 2018 in Saratoga.

Planning Commission: Councilman Faust read Ordinance No. 848, in its entirety on second reading. Ordinance # 848 is an ordinance amending sections 18.58.010, 18.58.020, 18.58.040, 18.58.060, 18.58.070, 18.33.020, 18.33.340, 9.12.020, 5.30.020, and 18.09.020 of the Town of Saratoga Municipal Code, regulating recreational vehicle parks within the Town of Saratoga.

Councilman Raymer made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 848 on second reading. Councilman Faust seconded.

Discussion followed:

Councilman Raymer thanked the Planning Commission for their diligence in moving forward with Ordinance #848 following the passage of Ordinance #847 which will tie together Mobile Home parks (847) and Recreational Vehicle Parks (848).

Councilman Wilcoxson stated that he didn't think the ordinance needed to be pushed through so quickly. He noted that he thought it would be appropriate for the incoming council to be able to review the ordinance before final passage. He added that he did not like the implications of the following:

- 18-58-060 (E. & F.)  
It is vague and will be hard to enforce as nuisance ordinance issues are hard to enforce
- Requirements for rest room and shower facilities  
(Councilman Faust noted: it only applies to dependant not independent users)

Additional questions asked and answered

- Camping in town, tent or campers? Trucks parked along the streets while the driver sleeps Has not changed - this is still not allowed
- Will the police be more diligent in enforcing those issues – It is agreed that enforcement is always a high priority
- Is there a zoning officer to enforce this ordinance

Mayor Glode called for the question.

Councilman Faust voted yes, Councilman Wilcoxson voted nay, Councilman Raymer voted yes, Mayor Glode voted yes, the motion carried.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. on December 11, 2018.

Adjournment: Being no further business to come before the meeting, Councilman Raymer made a motion to adjourn seconded by Councilman Faust; the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on December 18, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

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Ed J Glode, Mayor

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Suzie Cox, Clerk