

TOWN OF BASIN

Regular Council Meeting – Minutes

Thursday, May 27, 2021

Town Hall at 7:00 PM

Call to Order Regular Session

Pledge of Allegiance

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Basin Council was held at Town Hall in Basin, Wyoming on Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Council Members Present: Mayor CJ Duncan, Brent Godfrey, Carl Olson, and Stuart DesRosier. Absent: Joseph Keele

Also present were Clerk/Treasurer Deaun Tigner, Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee, Viki Davis, Barbara Greene

Public Comment: Viki Davis spoke to the Council about the town filing for probate and then selling the house or perhaps listing it as a historical house in the town. Mayor Duncan said they would take it under advisement.

Building /Demolition Permits:

Lester Friesen: 519 Holdrege: Roof Repair. Councilman DesRosier made a motion to rescind the resolution from April 8, 2021 and move forward with replacing the roof, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chris and Terena Deutsch, Charles and Delores Williamson, Michael and Deion Hagemeister: Councilman Godfrey made a motion to accept the three building permits, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chicken Permit Applications:

Councilman Olson made a motion to accept the chicken permit application from Travis Schriener, Councilman Desrosier seconded, Councilman Godfrey was opposed.

Executive Session: None requested at this time.

Approve Consent Agenda/Additions/Deletions: Councilman Godfrey made a motion to accept the agenda with the addition of Blue Ways kickoff added to the agenda, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Conduct of Business:

Blueways Kickoff – Mayor Duncan discussed that the Blue Ways Kickoff will be on July 17, 2021. The race will start in Manderson at 8 a.m. The activities will start at the boat dock in Basin at 10 a.m. The Game and Fish, Wyoming Parks, BLM, and perhaps the Forest Service will do some short trips for people who want to learn some things on kayaks and

canoes. Search and Rescue will be there with a boat. There will be food trucks and other activities as well. The Turkey Federation will be there with their bb guns.

Eagles: Councilman Olson was unable to find people to get on a committee for landscaping. Councilman Olson made a motion to include turning the area into a park, planting some grass with tables and a big tree, save the annex part and turn it into a Basin Museum with some public restrooms, also painting a mural, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. They also reviewed the memo from Heath Overfield.

Swimming Pool: Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee discussed with the Council why the pool has not been finished and that it was not a lack of getting the materials, but lack of labor in getting people there to work to finish the pool. The crew should have been here today or will be here tomorrow to start. If they do arrive today or tomorrow, they will not be done until around the 11th. Jesse Frisbee had Duane from Montana Oasis look into a couple of different accessory items. He stated that it is not cost effective to do the cover since we decided to go with the rec deck as we will have to drill holes every 6 inches with the PVC liner. With the cover he is looking at \$15,000. Autofill he thinks will be right around \$2000. Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee sent Duane an email letting him know he is past due around \$13000 if we were to liquidate damages. If we were to take it from the 1st of the month it would be around 7000. He is also looking into a shade for the pool as well. Duane is not willing to give Jesse Frisbee a deadline date as he doesn't know for sure when they are going to be here since they are coming from California. Councilman Olson stated that we agreed to the June 1st date, so we should not start the liquidated damages until then. Jesse Frisbee was told to tell Duane to do the autofill and look into the shade as well.

MEAN: Councilman DesRosier made a motion to table this discussion until the June 10th meeting, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Carol Brehm will be at the meeting on June 10th. Mayor Duncan discussed that the REA will also be there. There has been a discussion of a cooperative with the REA so that when our lineman needs help he will still have it or if we needed help repairing lines.

Community Center Planning: Councilman Olson recommended they do another walkthrough of the building again on July 13, 2021 at 6 p.m., Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chip Seal: Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee discussed that they will start chip sealing A and B street on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

Budget Discussion: South Street Paving was discussed for the 2021-2022 budget. Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee will get a price for the alley and south street.

EDU Rate Increase: Councilman Olson made a motion to increase the rates \$3.00 per EDU, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Cemetery: Mayor Duncan discussed the cemetery and how it looks right now, the headstones, graves, etc. He would like to put more money in the cemetery budget and make the cemetery a priority. There was a discussion of having a dedicated cemetery person that works there year round. Town Clerk Deaun Tigner was asked to look at the cost for hiring a full time cemetery person full time in the summer and get it to the Council to review next week.

Development of Public Safety Plan: Councilman DesRosier was appointed the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Town of Basin. There is a possibility that if we designate something as a shelter there are grants we can get for an emergency backup generator.

Ordinance 693 – Vendors: Councilman Godfrey made a motion to accept Ordinance 693 on the second reading, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 694 – Garbage: Councilman Olson made a motion to accept Ordinance 694 on the second reading, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Executive session: Councilman DesRosier made a motion to go into executive session for personnel at 8:19 p.m., Councilman Olson seconded seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Godfrey made a motion to adjourn executive session and go into regular session at 8:40 p.m., Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Olson moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously, and the Regular Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Town of Basin Mayor/CJ Duncan

Deaun Tigner – Town Clerk