

TOWN OF BASIN

Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, June 13, 2024

Town of Basin 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, June 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Council Members Present: CJ Duncan, Brent Godfrey, Carl Olson, Stuart DesRosier, and Chuck Hopkin.

Also present were Clerk/ Treasurer Deaun Tigner, Foreman Tony Harrison, Foreman Mike Dellos, Chief McClure, Jesse Frisbee, Kaycee Rundell, Bruce Perryman, Linda Weeks, and John Suiter.

Public Comments: John Suiter inquired about the speed limit on Big Horn Ave. The Chief informed Mr. Suiter that it was 25 mph. Mr. Suiter said that there are no speed limit signs on that street. They have noticed that the traffic is increasing, coming up from the south from Big Horn Avenue to 9th Street, and it almost has become like a beltline as if we were a metropolitan city with no speed limits. The only speed limit signs you see are by the school. He also stated he sees a lot of semis on the road as well. Chief McClure will look into this.

Matters from Staff:

Public Works: Mayor Duncan introduced Tony Harrison as the new public works foreman that Mike Dellos will be training. Mike Dellos said they have been working on weeds, mowing around the lagoon and around the trees, mowing the airport, etc.

Electric Monthly Report: As Bill Dahlke was not available for this meeting, Councilman DesRosier read over the expenses for the electric department.

Admin: Clerk Tigner reported on the Eagles building grant being closed out. She also reported on the water and sewer replacement funds.

Municipal Court: Clerk Tigner reviewed the court DSR report.

Police Department: Chief McClure was thanked for working on a grant. He also completed a grant for the radios but is waiting for the response from the state.

Kent: Not in attendance

Jesse: Jesse asked to add Big Horn Heating and Cooling to the agenda to discuss a quote.

Planning/ Zoning: Nothing to report.

Recreation District: There has been a change in management. Hailee McClure has very graciously accepted the position to step in and continue to operate the pool and activities for the summer.

Activities Committee: Councilmen Godfrey and DesRosier attending the çshing day in coordination with Lilac Days. There were about a half dozen kids that showed up to çsh. There was also a lot of kids that attended the bike rodeo.

Building Permits: Councilman Hopkin made a motion to accept all building permits as presented that included Trent Koehn, Travis & Deaun Tigner, Tony Morris, Logan Whipple, Curt Earl, and John Goncalves, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chicken Permits: Councilman Hopkin made a motion to accept the chicken permit for Wende Crowe, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed. Councilman Godfrey was opposed in general to chicken permits, not to just this one.

Executive Session: None at this time.

Approve Consent Agenda/ Additions/ Deletions: Councilman DesRosier made a motion to add town hall heating and cooling to the agenda after the vouchers, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Conduct of Business:

Councilman Hopkin made a motion to accept all minutes as written for the May 9, 2024 special meeting, May 9, 2024 and May 23, 2024 regular meetings, as well as June 4, 2024 budget workshop, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Godfrey made a motion to approve vouchers of \$253,555.61 and payroll of \$86,915.84, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Town Office: Heating & Cooling: Jesse reported that Big Horn Heating and Cooling started working this week and will be here for two weeks to çx everything that was messed up. They did recommend economizers on all çve units (Jesse provided a quote), along with a mini-split in the back office area where the cubicles are supposed to be going. This was not included in the original bid. Councilman DesRosier expressed concern about Big Horn Heating and Cooling. Councilman Olson recommended doing the mini-split and not going with the economizers. Councilman Hopkin made a motion to approve the mini-split from this years' budget utilizing the town hall upgrade, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Lot Rental (103 South 4th): Brice George asked the Council if he could rent the Eagles Annex lot for their çreworks stand. They are also interested in renting the Eagles building as they would not have much room to store product in the storage container. After discussion on the rent for the building, Mr. George decided not to rent the building but would still like to rent the lot. Councilman Godfrey made a motion to allow them to rent the lot, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. He would like to rent the lot from June 14th through the 5th of July. Mr. George was told he would be required to pay to turn on the utilities. He was provided the paperwork to çll out and return back to the town office in the morning.

Stockman's Catering Permission: Councilman Hopkin made a motion to give Stockman's DBA The Lost Boyz, LLC, permission to allow this, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Chief did state that he was also okay with this.

Sewer Lagoon à AVI: Bruce Perryman attended the council meeting to give an update on the project for the sewer lagoon. He said they have completed the project geotechnical drilling, site survey, boundary work, and collected éow data. After a discussion with the new person for DEQ, they gave AVI the greenlight to proceed based on the éow data that they had provided. AVI will be doing the lagoon grading plan coming up and have volumes and costs at the 60 percent design level for the end of July, 90 percent in August, and plan to open bids on October 11th. They are estimating about a 14- month construction season to start in November and çnish in December. Mayor Duncan asked if the new proposed system will take the old ponds oĂine. Bruce said yes that is key because they need to get it dried up. The existing UV building would be obsolete no matter what. In the meantime, while building this, the blowers attached will make the power cost go up as it will require 480, three-phase. There will be a brand new pipeline from the new UV all the way to the river. There will not be a building there after this. Bruce did notice there is a fairly large compost pile. When it is time to go to construction they will want to have a plan for the material to be moved or have the contractor address it. At this point, he was told to have the contractor take care of it unless the cost is too much. Councilman Hopkin expressed his frustration on where we were at with this and why it was taking so long. Bruce said they were trying to be careful. Councilman Hopkin stated there should be better communication between his company and the town. The Council asked for Bruce to communicate directly with the council, as well as Mike, Tony, and Jesse. Bruce asked when Mike would be retiring, Mike said he would like to go to the 30th of January.

Ordinance 709: Councilman Olson made a motion to correct the previous meeting approval budget to ordinance 709 from the stated ordinance 710, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 710: Rate Increases (2nd reading): Councilman Godfrey made a motion to approve Ordinance 710 on the second reading, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance 711: Mean Schedule M (1st reading): Councilman DesRosier made a motion to approve Ordinance 711 on the çrst reading, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None at this time.

Executive Session: Councilman Godfrey made a motion to go into executive session at 7:59 for personnel and contract negotiations, Councilman Hopkin seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Hopkin made a motion to come out of executive session and return to the regular meeting at 8:25 p.m., Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Town of Basin has advertised for a town administrator position and, after reviewing only the one that was received, Councilman Hopkin made a motion to appoint Deaun Tigner as the new town administrator e-ffective July 1, 2024, Councilman Godfrey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Godfrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 p.m., Councilman Hopkin seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Town of Basin Mayor/ CJ Duncan

Deaun Tigner è Town Clerk