

Regular Town Council Meeting November 8, 2021

A regular session of the Sheridan Town Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Robert Stump, Council members Z. Wade Hampton, Rahn Abbott, and Emilie Sayler were present along with Clerk, Ginger Galiger and Duke Gilman, Public Works. Mike Walter was absent.

Guests: Kaylie Theis, Del Bieroth, Jeff Gerth and Mike Dietrich

Pledge

Public Comment Not on the Agenda – None

Department Reports

Sheriff – Mayor Stump read the Sheriff's report for the month of October which consisted of 30 calls in the Town of Sheridan.

Library – None

Attorney – None

Fire Department – Mike Dietrich reported on the department receiving 4 calls in the month of October. 2 Medical Assists, 1 potential gas leak and 1 smoke odor. They plan to burn at the dump in December.

Public Works – Duke went to a 3-day water class in Bozeman.

Clerk Treasurer – None

Boards and Committees

MSIT – None

Park District Board – None

Fire Station Committee – None

Public Comment on the Agenda – None

New Business

1. Del Bieroth Rural Fire Department

Del Bieroth came to the Council tonight in search of support to build a new fire station on the property located just outside of town. The fire department needs a facility that can house all the fire trucks and equipment in one location. Currently the water tender is being stored at Jeff Gerth's house. It had to be drained and winterized for the season because there is nowhere to store the vehicle. The Rural Board is considering an increase in the mills and applying for a low interest rate loan to pay for the facility. It has been difficult to put a cost to the facility due to the high cost of building supplies. They have been to the Varney Bridge fire station in Ennis and feels the size of the building would be adequate. We also have to consider the additional cost of the maintenance of the building and overhead. As the Ruby Valley continues to grow, there may need to be satellite stations built in the future. Del knows the importance of having the community's support and feels that educating the public of the need is important. We need someone to do PR and grant writing. Emilie Sayler suggested having an open house so people can see the current situation of the space the department is currently in. We could also hold a public meeting. Further discussion of the building size and cost.

Z. Wade Hampton made a motion to support the relocation of the fire department outside of town. Rahn Abbott seconded the motion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** Emilie Sayler voting yes, Rahn Abbott voting yes and Z. Wade Hampton voting yes. The motion passes.

2. Work Order #WWC-4, Annexation Assistance

The proposed work order is to provide support for the anticipated annexation of the Dahlman property. The estimated cost is \$2,000. Todd Dahlman still has work to do with the county and we will not annex the land until the subdivision is approved. We are getting ahead of the curve by have this work order in

place. Rahn Abbott moves to approve Work Order WWC-4. Z. Wade Hampton seconded the motion. No further discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** Emilie Saylor voting yes, Z. Wade Hampton voting yes and Rahn Abbott voting yes. The motion passes.

3. Madison County/Sheridan MOU for ARPA funding

The Town of Sheridan has been awarded \$105,000 along with an additional pending award of \$120,000 to help with the cost of our water project. Last week Mayor Stump submitted the scope of work, a schedule to complete the work, along with the budget for the Sheridan Water System Infrastructure Improvements. Once the MOU is in place, we can submit our invoices for reimbursement from the County. Emilie Saylor moves to approve the Madison County/Sheridan MOU for ARPA funding. Rahn Abbott seconded the motion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** The motion passes unanimously.

4. Sheridan Community Charity Foundation Request

The Sheridan Community Charity Foundation and Sheridan Town Council held a work meeting last Monday to understand their desires to move forward and show the public where their donations from Sheridan Days have been spent. Their primary project is to build an amphitheater at the Ray Silve baseball park. At this time, they are unsure of the cost and an available contractor. They are applying for a matching grant from the Parks Board and may have an additional donor. Rahn Abbott is supportive of the idea but would like to see it built at the library park. It would serve as a multipurpose facility for school activities such as Drama Club and concerts. Kaylie expressed that the foundation is set on the location but there could be a second one built in the future. Emilie Saylor moves to support the Sheridan Community Charity Foundation to build an amphitheater at the Ray Silve baseball park. Z. Wade Hampton seconded the motion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** The motion passes unanimously.

Consent Agenda Items

The minutes from October 18th were reviewed. There were no comments. Rahn Abbott moves to approve the minutes as presented. Emilie Saylor seconded the motion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** The motion passes unanimously.

The financials and utility delinquent reports were reviewed. Rahn Abbott moves to approve the financial and delinquent reports as presented. Emilie Saylor seconded the motion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** The motion passes unanimously.

Council Report

Emilie Saylor reported that Pharm 406 will be at the Senior Center to hold another vaccination clinic. She encouraged everyone to take advantage of this opportunity.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Stump attended the Affordable Housing Committee Meeting. He met the investor that purchased the property previously owned by Brad Schwend. This individual would like to build a small park with a pond. He is in the preliminary stages working with the railroad to lease ground from the subdivision, across water street down to the Schultz property (62 acres) which he also purchased, to develop a walking path. He also plans to donate \$100,000 to the town for park improvements.

Rahn Abbott made a motion to adjourn the meetings. Emilie Z. Wade Hampton seconded the motion. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council members.** The motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

CAROL DELISI	645.61
GINGER GALIGER	2943.43
DUKE GILMAN	3400.22
ROBERT C. STUMP	3005.87
WILLIAM TALBOTT	1641.71
EFTPS ENROLLMENT PROCESS	3774.39
DEPT OF REVENUE	661.00
DEFERRED COMP	223.86
PERS	1858.45
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATION	209.85
ANDY'S SERVICE	1100.00
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	42.00
LEE'S OFFICE CITY	107.90
MMIA	79.00
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	2120.37
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	732.38
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY-DECORATIVE LI	89.27
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	1832.59
SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	619.24
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CE	16.38
WALTER'S ACE HARDWARE	122.82
WESTERN WATER CONSULTANTS, INC	2670.00
WEX BANK	266.99
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS (L)	91.05
CITI CARDS	1050.64
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	859.00
GILMAN, DUKE	195.61
GREAT FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY	15.99
MADISON COUNTY ELECTIONS	826.12
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES	381.91
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	276.00
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	475.45
POSTMASTER	160.00
TAMI BURNEY	140.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	69.04
ALS ENVIRONMENTAL	225.00
BEACON BUSINESS CENTER	27.50
CORE & MAIN LP	3717.33
CRAIG A. SHEPHERD	3100.00
JDL CONSTRUCTION, INC.	65.48
JOHN M. WARREN, INC.	273.20
MT DEPT OF ADMINISTRATION-LGS	800.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	1620.90

ROBERT STUMP	5594.89
SPIFFY BIFFY PORTABLE TOILETS, IN	271.00
US BANK-Spa Lockbox	9080.00
UTILITY SPECIALTIES INC.	665.45
WESTERN WATER CONSULTANTS, INC	4988.40
HEALTH INSURANCE	1477.15
TOTAL	64610.44

Approved: Mayor Robert Stump

Attested: Clerk Ginger Galiger

