



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Saratoga Town Hall, 110 E Spring Ave, Saratoga, WY 82331

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Opening Ceremony
- 2) Roll Call: __Mayor Chuck Davis __Councilman Cooley __Councilwoman Beck
__Councilman Jerry Fluty __Councilman Jacob Fluty
PRESENT
Mayor Chuck Davis
Councilman Mike Cooley
Councilman Jacob Fluty
Councilman Jerry Fluty
ABSENT
Councilwoman Kathy Beck

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- 3) Approval of the regular minutes of June 6, 2023
Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

- 4) Deposits - \$277,388.18
- 5) Accounts Payable - \$90,600.25

- 6) Payroll - \$35,712.57
- 7) Transmittals - \$20,926.16

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

McCall Burau wanted to know what the Council's agenda is and what their program goals, capital improvement goals and what they wanted to accomplish as council members were. She would like to know their goals and the opportunity to take advantage of funding that is available. Mayor Davis stated that he challenges the other council members and asks what their comments are at the next council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Davis stated that earlier today there was a special meeting from the planning commission regarding a subdivision. Doug Boyd from WLC representing Royal Springs Subdivision stated that he has worked on a plat since February with 8 lots that are 5 acres each. Plans have been reviewed and approved by the planning commission. Each property will tie on to the sewer and will be independent systems from each house that flow into the system. They will publish their plans and get on the next agenda.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

Town Hall

- 8) Special Events Application - 27th Annual Steinley Cup Brewfest
Amanda Knotwell stated that the Brewfest came a week earlier and she has collaborated with the hotels for rooms. Parking will be diagonal for more flow at Vet's island and overflow will be at the higher parking area at the hot pools. There will be wristbands given out at the event to prevent underage drinking. Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.
- 9) Special Events Permit - Duck Race 8/12/23
Cindy Carnes and Barb Youngberg came to present on the duck race. The duck race will be the same day as the Brewfest. They will release the ducks at Vet's island and end at the first bridge at Vet's island. They anticipate releasing 200 ducks. Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.
- 10) Special Events Permit - Pickleball Tournament 7/22/23
There will be a pickleball tournament with 2 courts at Vet's island. There will be food at the tournament and 20 teams consisting of 2 members. Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.
- 11) Special Events Permit - Platte River Wander 7/2/23
There will be a special event at the Riviera with music. They are working with The Malt and doing a special street closure on half of Saratoga Avenue. Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

12) Saratoga Pay Structure

Mayor Davis stated that a pay structure that governs us would make the town more organized in how they pay. That way when future council interviews, they can follow the pay range. Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

13) Ordinance 867 - Budget 3rd Reading

Clerk Marie Christen and Treasurer Corina Daley read Ordinance 867.

Karen Youngberg asked where contributions and transfers come from. Clerk Marie Christen answered that some of our money came from reserves and donations.

Richard Hodges asked how the council was able to balance the budget with a deficit of almost a million dollars from the first budget reading. Mayor Davis stated that several projects were used from reserves that were stated for several projects.

Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

Police Department

There were 148 calls for service, 3 citations and 5 warnings since the last meeting.

14) ConvergeOne Quote - \$7,585.43

This is a contract for the 911 system for 1 year. Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jerry Fluty. Motion carried.

15) ConvergeOne Quote - \$23,438.97

This contract for the 911 system is for 3 years. Chief Mike Morris said this was supposed a cost savings, but he recommends renewing for 1 year.

16) Resolution 2023-12

Motion made by Councilman Jacob Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.

Fire Department

The fire department has completed hydrant testing for their ISO survey. They have added 1 new firefighter. The fire department welcomes the public to join them on July 22, 2023 to celebrate a 100 year anniversary at the Plattte Valley Community Center. Doors will open at 2pm, food will start at 6pm and Rim Rock will play at 7-7:30.

The annual pancake breakfast on the 4th of July will start at 7am. There is training every Wednesday night. They are currently working with the Sartoga Lions Club for Bull Fest.

Recreation Department

17) Special Event - Luau - Delayed to July 22, 2023

18) Rafters for Ballfield - \$3,105.52

Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jerry Fluty. Motion carried.

Department of Public Works

Mayor Davis stated that our new DPW Director is Emery Penner and will be starting with the town on August 1st. He will also be Planning & Zoning officer.

19) 3 Pressure Transmitters for the Wellfield - \$1140/ea + shipping

Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

- 20) T.O. Engineers Invoice - \$24,714.96
Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.
- 21) Invoice for Mosquito Supplies - \$9,993.50
Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.
- 22) RP Lumber Quote - \$2,567.98
Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.
- 23) New Hires
There are 3 individuals to work for the town and one has a CDL. Mayor Davis would like to offer letters to these 3 individuals. Two are starting at \$17 and one at \$18/hr for the CDL.
Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jerry Fluty. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Community Center Joint Powers Board

Next meeting is July 10, 2023 at 4:30 PM at the PVCC

No new updates.

Water and Sewer Joint Power Board

Next meeting is July 12, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the PVCC

One person resigned from the board. The board will be moving ahead with a Myrtle lift station. Water & sewer ordinances are still being worked on. The water tank demolition is in the new budget.

- 24) Letter of Interest - Roger Cox
Motion made by Councilman Cooley to reappoint Roger Cox to the board, Seconded by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

Planning Commission

Next meeting is July 11, 2023 at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

McCall Burau stated that she reached out to a Carbon County Planner and she is willing to come over and do a workshop on July 13, at 3pm. The commission is working on a short term rental permit and will open it for a public workshop.

- 25) Letter of Interest - Matt Baker
Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty to appoint Matt Baker to the Planning Commission, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.
- 26) Zoning Change 109-117 Walnut
The zoning at 109-117 W Walnut changed from RD 6000 to highway business. Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty to approve the zone change, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.

Recreation Commission

Next meeting is July 10, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

- 27) Letter of Resignation
Clerk Marie Christen read Abby Raymer's letter of resignation from the commission.

- 28) Adopt a Block
There were no new updates.

Saratoga Airport Advisory Board

Next meeting is July 10, 2023 at 3:30 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

- 29) Request to Purchase a Snowblower - \$2,105.99 + shipping
Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jerry Fluty. Motion carried.

South Central Wyoming Emergency Medical Services Board

Next meeting is July 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Encampment

Clerk Marie Christen stated that the board will be participating in an auction to try to purchase an ambulance.

NEW BUSINESS

- 30) Letter of Resignation
Clerk Marie Christen read her letter of resignation. Her last day will be July 14, 2023.
Councilman Mike Cooley and Mayor Davis thanked Marie for her hard work. Mayor Davis stated that Marie has agreed to stay on as the Clerk of Court and will help out the town with their grant paperwork. Mayor Davis will appoint Marie as the Clerk of Court with a motion from the council. Motion made by Councilman Cooley, Seconded by Councilman Jerry Fluty. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, Seconded by Councilman Cooley. Motion carried.

**THE NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON
TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2023 AT 6:00 PM.**

Mayor Chuck Davis

Marie Christen, Town Clerk