

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 19, 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 Council Members, Mayor Chuck Davis, Councilman Mike Cooley, Councilman Jacob Fluty, Councilman Jerry Fluty. Absent Councilwoman Kathy Beck

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Chuck Davis made an addition to the agenda of Steil Surveying Services under Town Hall

Motion was made to approve agenda for Dec 19, 2023, by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3) December 5, 2023, Minutes Motion to approve minutes from Dec 5, 2023, made by Councilman Mike Cooley, second by Councilman Jacob Fluty. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion to approve the bills for Dec 19, 2023 was made by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.

- 4) Deposits \$460,819.60
- 5) Accounts Payable \$71,500.18

- 6) Transmittals \$44,546.43
- 7) Payroll \$39,210.56

CORRESPONDENCE

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

COUNCIL COMMENTS

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

Town Hall

Steil Survey company surveyed the alley between East Cypress and East Maple. Cost will be between \$1300.00 and \$2000.00. Motion was made to hire Steil Survey company by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.

Police Department

Chief Mike Morris states there were 154 calls of service since the last Council meeting.

- 8) Update on Dispatch
 - Training is going well with the new fulltime dispatcher, call takers are hired and have begun working, Lt John Moore and Chief Morris have been covering some dispatch shifts as well. CCSO has covered 11 shifts, 10 were regular and 1 overtime.
- 9) Powerphone
 - Powerphone system, is the 911 CAD interface system. Purchase will be cost shared between Saratoga Police Department, Rawlins Police Department as well as Carbon County Sheriff's Office We had set aside \$40,000.00, however our share will be substantially less than that. Chief Morris will be getting with the other agencies in the new year to get a more accurate figure on what the actual cost is going to be.
- 10) Cost sharing VPN with CCSO
 Tabled, did not get a chance to meet with CCSO Sheriff Bakken

Fire Department

11) Contract Agreement - Carbon County Fire Protection District/Elk Mountain Mayor Chuck Davis has briefly spoke with Fire Chief Pat Waliser regarding the agreement, this is what the fire dept is recommending. Mayor Davis asked the council to review and will discuss at the next meeting.

Recreation Department

Next meeting is January 8, 2024, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

Motion was made to hire Tyler Bangs at \$15.00 an hour, for custodial work, by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.

Department of Public Works

Director Emery Penner stated Watson Well Service are here working on the wells, 2 out of the 5 wells have been checked, they are good, will start on well number 3 tomorrow. Hope to have all the wells completed after the first of the year. Stated so far everything is looking good.

- 12) JPB Invoice 12-13-2023 Reimbursement Motion was made to approve invoice 12-13-2023 by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.
- 13) JPB Invoice 11-08-2023 Reimbursement Motion was made to approve invoice 11-08-2023 by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Planning Commission

Next meeting is January 9, 2024, at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

Meeting last week was tailored around the transportation plan. There will be a public meeting on January 17, at 5:30, at the Town Hall Director Emery Penner encourages people to come out to that.

Water and Sewer Joint Power Board

Next meeting is January 10, 2024, at 5:30 PM at the PVCC

Community Center Joint Powers Board

Next meeting is January 8, 2024 at 4:30 PM at the PVCC

Recreation Commission

Next meeting is January 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

Saratoga Airport Advisory Board

Next meeting is January 8, 2024 at 3:30 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

- 14) Armstrong Invoice ARM236916-23-01 Saratoga Master Plan Motion was made to approve invoice from Armstrong \$25,255.25 paid out thorugh their budget,
- 15) Tractor Purchase
 - Motion was made to purchase a used tractor from Shivley's north for \$50,000 by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.
- 16) Letter of Interest Ladd Sanger

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- 17) Letter of Interest Arlen Hughes
- 18) Letter of Interest Lance Grubb
 Motion was made to approve all 3 letters of Intent for the reappointment to the Saratoga
 Airport Advisory Board from Ladd Sanger, Arlen Hughes, and Lance Grubb by Councilman
 Jacob Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Coolely. Motion carried.

South Central Wyoming Emergency Medical Services Board

Next meeting is January 15, 2024, at 6:00 PM at Hanna

19) SCWEMS Third Amendment Revision

Marie Christen stated currently Carbon County, Hanna, and Encampment have all approved. Mayor Davis stated we have sent this over to our town Attorney Kylie Waldrip. As soon as we get approval, he will get it signed and sent over.

Marie Christen stated the next meeting date has been changed to January 16, 2023, at 6:00 pm in Saratoga.

NEW BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To discuss personnel and matters of litigation in accordance with W.S. 16-4-405(a) (ii) and (iii)

Exit executive session noting no action was taken and to seal the minutes at HH:MM PM

FURTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:36 by Councilman Jerry Fluty, second by Councilman Mike Cooley. Motion carried.

THE NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024 AT 6:00 PM.

Mayor Chuck Davis	
Jenn Anderson, Town Clerk	