

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session August 16, 2022, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Chimenti, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr. and Bill Malloy. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Fred Crosby, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Public Works Director Ernie Slagle, Police Sergeant Mike Mascorro, Town Engineer Anthony Barnette and Town Attorneys Mike Messenger and Marshall Keller. Council member Dusty Lewis was absent.

AGENDA: Following the pledge of allegiance, Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the agenda as written.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the financial statement for July 2022.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: BARB RICE: RUSTY TRUCK EVENT: Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve closing one-half block of 5th street south from the alley to Warren on Saturday September 3, 2022, for the event. Pinnacle Bank will be closed for Labor Day weekend.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: JACKIE DOROTHY: LODGING TAX UPDATES: Dorothy reviewed lodging tax revenue numbers and brought in the latest edition of the tourism magazine. She also invited the Mayor and Council to an August 30th reception for the Wyoming Office of Tourism.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: Barnett noted the silo painting project was substantially complete. It was noted in discussion with Barb Heinze that the Richards Street project may start in the next two weeks.

TOWN ATTORNEY: MIKE MESSENGER: CABLE TV FRANCHISE ORDINANCE: THIRD READING: Dorman made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the third reading of the ordinance, with an effective date of November 1, 2022. Dorman made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried, authorizing the mayor to sign the franchise agreement.

ORDINANCE 865

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO SPECTRUM PACIFIC WEST, LLC FOR INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF A CABLE SERVICE FOR DISTRIBUTION AND SALE TO CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS; RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH SPECTRUM PACIFIC WEST.

Passed on first reading July 19, 2022

Passed on second reading August 2, 2022

Passed, approved and adopted on third and final reading August 16, 2022.

ADMINISTRATION: SGT MASCORRO; PD FUNDING REQUEST: Mascorro presented information on replacing vehicle dash cameras and body cameras. Pro-vision will provide 7 body cameras, with replacement at 30 months, 7 dash cameras, and cloud storage with the capability of sending links of footage, as needed. The cost of the cameras and software is \$58,800. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve the purchase and corresponding budget changes.

ADMINISTRATION: BROADWAY BRIDGE CONTRACT: Crosby noted the contract had been reviewed by Messenger and Barnette. Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to authorize the mayor's signature on the contract. It is anticipated that the repair of the bridge will begin in late 2024 or early 2025. The entire project is funded by federal funds through the Wyoming Department of Transportation.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: OTHER: The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm and the next Council meeting is September 6, 2022, at 7pm.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Chimenti, Mayor