

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session September 7, 2021, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Chimenti, Council members 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, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett, Police Chief Julie Mathews and Town Attorney Mike Messenger. Councilmen Tony Larson and Dusty Lewis were absent.

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

MINUTES: Dorman made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the Council meeting minutes from August 3 and 17, 2021.

BILLS: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the General, Enterprise and Special Fund bills for August 2021.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: ROD McQUEEN: McQueen inquired about a nuisance yard in the 100 block of Clark. Discussion ensued and the nuisance officer and police department will monitor the address.

IOOF REQUEST: Brayden Harvey from the IOOF sent a letter requesting permission to place a small metal cabinet at Bicentennial Park to use as a food pantry. The request was tabled until further information is obtained.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to allow the mayor to sign a certificate of substantial completion for Dave Loden Construction for the Town shop roof. Barnett noted the chip seal project will begin this week.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Chief Mathews presented the August police report. Public Works Director Slagle presented the August reports for Streets and Alleys, Water, Wastewater, Sanitation and Landfill departments.

TOWN ATTORNEY: MIKE MESSENGER: Messenger noted everything is hunky dory.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: POLICE VEHICLE BID: Crosby noted the following three bids were received. Spradley Barr 2022 Ford Explorer \$30,794 (after trade), Spradley Barr 2022 Ford Explorer with a larger engine \$32,266 after trade and Fremont Lander 2022 Dodge Durango \$33,811.48. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the low bid from Spradley Barr for \$30,794.00.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: INTERIM POLICE CHIEF APPOINTMENT: Malloy made a motion seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the mayor's appointment of Pat Cornwell as Interim Police Chief from September 16, 2021 to January 1, 2022. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm and the next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 21, 2021, at 7pm.

BILLS: AFLAC, Insurance, \$226.40; American Welding, Rental & Gas, \$55.41; BCN, Service, \$57.54; Big Horn Water, Rental, \$11.92; Brenntag, Chemicals, \$11,272.60; Carquest, Supplies, \$1,933.61; Caselle, Maintenance, \$568.00; Patrick Cornwell, Service, \$1,000.00; Discover Thermopolis, Shipping, \$57.18; DPC, Rental & Chlorine, \$1,586.00; Energy Labs, Service, \$3,231.00; Engineering Associates, Service, \$16,734.45; Fastenal, Parts, \$394.46; Great West Trust, Retirement, \$1,800.00; HSC Treasurer, Tax Collection, \$90.40; Hach Supplies, \$464.63; High Plains Power, Service, \$67.85; Hopper Disposal, Tires, \$1,378.00; HSC, Phone & Jail Fees, \$131.04; HS Vet Clinic, Contract, \$955.00; HSCSD #1, Fuel, \$4,568.69; Independent Record, Service, \$1,253.30; Indoff, Supplies, \$469.66; Insurance Trust, Premiums, \$37,770.00; Jadeco, Service, \$10,957.12; Julson, Service, \$65.00; Ronald Jurovich, Judge, \$900.00; Keller Law Firm, Service, \$1,000.00; Stan Kraushaar, Contract Labor, \$400.00; Laird Sanitation, Service, \$85.00; Messenger Law Firm, Service, \$4,900.00; Mike Mortimore, Service, \$300.00; Napa, Supplies, \$314.56; NCPERS, Life Ins., \$240.00; Office of State Lands, Loan, \$50,000.00; One Call, Fees, \$20.25; Pitney Bowes, Lease, \$143.55; Postmaster, Postage, \$542.52; Range, Service, \$537.97; Road Runner, Parts, \$59.24; Rocky Mt. Power, Service, \$18,948.55; Scrub Board, Service, \$136.00; The Office Shop, Contract, \$96.06; Thermopolis Hardware, Supplies, \$150.27; TOT Police, Postage, \$4.24; Tony's TLC, Repairs, \$1,054.93; TOT General, Acct'g & Collection & Streets Labor, \$14,157.00; TOT Office, Petty Cash, \$12.99; TOT, Depreciation & Intergov Water, \$74,136.05; Tractor & Equip, Parts, \$748.37; Unum, Life Insurance, \$106.48; USA Blue Book, Barrels, \$1,999.74; Verizon, Phone, \$189.41; Visa, Supplies, \$297.25; VSP, Insurance, \$322.63; WW Grainger, Parts, \$133.64; Ward's Upholstery, Service, \$250.00; Waste Systems, Canisters, \$21,150.00; Workforce Services, Workers Comp., \$2,293.04; WY Gas, Service, \$399.10; Wyoming Machinery, Repairs, \$30,212.11; WY Retirement, Retirement, \$19,981.46; WY Rural Water, Registration, \$445.00; WY Supreme Court, Fees, \$1,360.00; WY.Com, Service, \$25.00; Payroll, \$81,550.86; Payroll Taxes, \$26,181.13.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Chimenti, Mayor