

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session February 6, 2018 at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Mortimore, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr., Bill Malloy and Dusty Lewis. Also present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Fred Crosby, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Police Chief Steven Shay, Town Engineers Heath Overfield and Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Mike Messenger.

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

MINUTES: Lewis made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the Council meeting minutes from January 2 and 16, 2018 and the executive session minutes for January 16, 2018.

RESOLUTION 540: MID-YEAR BUDGET ADJUSTMENT: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Mortimore and carried to approve Resolution 540, which adjusts the budget to reflect actual costs.

BILLS: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the General, Enterprise and Special Fund bills for January 2018. Mortimore abstained on the approval of the bill to his business.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: SHORTY'S: CATERING PERMITS: Dorman made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the following catering permits. Both permits are at the Fairgrounds and have Fair Board approval. PRCA Boots & Buckle Ball on February 24, 2018 from 4:30 pm to midnight and the Chamber Banquet on March 24, 2017 from 5 pm to midnight.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: GOTTSCHKE: CDBG REQUEST: Cheryl Shero and Karissa Williams from Gottsche asked the Town to sponsor a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) the help with a proposed \$8.7 million facility renovation at Gottsche. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to sponsor a \$500,000 CDBG grant and allow the Mayor to sign a resolution.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: TANK PAINTING FINAL DOCUMENTS: Barnett noted the final pay estimate was included in the list of bills. Mortimore made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to accept the reconciliation change order and final pay estimate to Carr Coatings on the airport tank painting project.

TOWN ENGINEER: WATER PIPELINE REPLACEMENT BID AWARD: Bids were publically opened on January 25, 2018 at 2 pm. The following five bids were received: Barnum \$2,085,211.42; Wilson Bros., \$2,127,702.89; JR Civil, LLC, \$2,182,126.48; Western Municipal, \$2,391,512.14 and COP Wyoming LLC, \$2,774,646.00. Barnett recommended awarding the bid to the second lowest bidder, Wilson Bros., as the lowest bidder (Barnum) did not submit all of the required paperwork. Without the required paperwork, SRF funding would not be available. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Mortimore and carried to award the bid to Wilson Bros., for \$2,127,702.89.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Police Chief Shay and Public Works Director Slagle presented January reports for their departments.

CODES ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: CELL TOWER: Crosby presented plans from Digital Skylines (Verizon) asking the Town to approve adding an antennae to top of one of the football field lights (~90ft.). The location is in an area where they need more data coverage. The company obtained permission from the State Park and will pay a lease fee to the school district. The lights are currently 80' and code states no antennae over 60'. Crosby noted the BNSF Railroad obtained permission from the town variance board for their antennae which is over the 60 ft. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the antennae, with an 8' by 10' limit on the panel frame.

TOWN ATTORNEY: MIKE MESSENGER: Nothing at this time.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: LIGHT POLE REQUEST: Crosby noted the price from Rocky Mtn Power for a power pole at the Recreation District entrance on Hwy 20 N, would be \$7,700, with the Town providing surveying and trenching for an additional \$5,300. No action was taken.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL: FIREWORKS WORLD REQUEST: Fireworks World requested the Town change the fireworks ordinance in order to allow them to open a year-round fireworks business on leased property. Lewis made a motion to change the ordinance to accommodate the company. The motion died for lack of a second.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: OTHER: Adding rubber mulch to the playground equipment at Bicentennial Park was discussed. Additional discussion centered on a recent Southern Big Horn Regional meeting, water quality and cost, the Level I WWDC study, a proposed Level II study, the Buffalo Creek well and the Big Spring. Larson made a motion and Lewis seconded to put an ad in the paper. Voting aye were Mortimore, Larson, Dorman and Lewis. Malloy voted no. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm. The next Council meeting is February 20, 2018 at 7 pm.

BILLS: A & I Dist., Oil, \$146.40; AFLAC, Insurance, \$411.92; American Welding, Rental, \$45.67; AVG Tech., Service, \$256.75; BCN Telecom, Service, \$38.84; Big Horn Water, Service, \$29.50; Bob's Truck Repair, Service, \$614.40; Carquest, Supplies, \$1,443.45; Carr Coatings, Pay Est. #4, \$24,402.20; Caselle, Maintenance, \$500.00; Communication Tech., Service, \$305.50; Covenant Ins., Renewal, \$6,000.00; Desert Mt., Ice Slicer, \$4,132.05; DPC, Tank Rental, \$50.00; Energy Lab, Service, \$778.00; Engineering Associates, Service, \$26,027.86; Fastenal, Supplies, \$118.71; Steven Francis, CDL License, \$42.50; Fremont Motor, Repair, \$1,247.83; Gottsche, Membership, \$300.00; Great West Trust, Retirement, \$1,980.00; Greiner Ford, 2017 Ford Crew Cab, \$29,517.00; HSC Treasurer, Tax Collection, \$173.14; Hach, Supplies, \$2,412.77; Hanson's Fire Equip., Service, \$979.05; High Plains Power, Service, \$230.85; HS County, Phone & Right away agreements, \$171.86; HS Memorial Hospital, Service, \$46.00; HS Vet Clinic, Contract, \$955.00; HSCSD #1, Fuel, \$4,368.69; IDEXX, Supplies, \$952.36; Independent Record, Service, \$739.57; Indoff, Supplies, \$241.66; Inland Truck, Parts, \$231.43; Insurance Trust, Health Ins., \$42,340.00; Jadeco, Service, \$3,341.71; Jim's Electric, Service, \$7,798.00; Ronald Jurovich, Judge, \$825.00; KY Child Support, Support, \$355.00; Koerwitz, Michel, Wright, Audit, \$6,500.00; Laird Sanitation, Service, \$50.00; Messenger & Overfield, Service, \$4,808.00; Mike Mortimore, Service, \$300.00; Montana CSED SDU, Child Support, \$906.00; NCPERS, Life

Ins., \$256.00; Norco, Carbon Dioxide, \$10,879.00; One Call, Locates, \$6.00; O'Reilly Auto, Parts, \$690.79; Pinnacle Bank, Deposit Books, \$131.18; Pitney Bowes, Rental, \$105.00; Postmaster, Postage, \$510.59; Railroad Management, Lease, \$214.01; Red Rock, Service, \$160.00; Melody Robinson, Boots, \$85.00; Rocky Mt. Power, Service, \$10,756.25; RT, Service, \$544.37; Saltworx, Ice Kicker, \$3,358.95; Scrub Board, Service, \$150.00; Standard & Assoc., Service, \$240.00; Robert Stehlin III, Service, \$305.00; Thermopolis Hardware, Supplies, \$507.12; Police Dept., Petty cash, \$44.88; TOT General, Acct'g & Collection, \$13,000.00; TOT Office, Petty Cash, \$44.45; TOT, Depreciation & Intergov Water, \$75,056.00; Traveling Computer, Service, \$1,427.97; Unum, Life Ins., \$107.83; UPS, Freight, \$42.13; Verizon, Service, \$159.96; Visa, Supplies, \$1,502.41; WWQ & PCA., Dues, \$240.00; WAM, Registration, \$225.00; WLEA, Service, \$550.00; WY Workforce, Ins., \$6,237.41; WY Gas, Service, \$3,110.75; WY Public Lab., Postage, \$72.00; WY Retirement, Retirement, \$19,246.42; Wyoming Supreme Court, Fees, \$410.00; Wyoming.Com., Hosting, \$25.00; WY-Test, Service, \$160.00; Zedi US, Service, \$7,836.50; Zupan, Service, \$376.91; Payroll, \$83,210.57; Payroll Taxes, \$28,304.80.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Mortimore, Mayor