

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session February 20, 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, Public Works Director Ernie Slagle and Town Engineer Anthony Barnett.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the financial statement for January 2018.

PUBLIC HEARING: LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL: At 7:03 pm a public hearing was opened for comment on the liquor license renewal applications for the period of April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019. Hearing no public comment, Mortimore closed the hearing. Mortimore made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the liquor license renewals. The retail licenses include: J Bar E LLC (Mac's), OM Inc. (Thermopolis Café), Wild West Markets of Thermopolis (Reese & Ray's IGA), Melvin E. Guertzgen (Loonie's Bin), Grand Cru Enterprises, Maverik Inc. (Maverik #577), Carspa Inc. (Safari Club), and Compass Realty Group (Thermopolis Liquor); restaurant liquor licenses for High Plains Pizza (Pizza Hut #241), Jeanne A. Waltz (Las Fuentes) and Krista L. Raymond LLC (Front Porch); bar and grill licenses for OEB LLC (One Eyed Buffalo Brewing) and Jurassicorp (Raptors Grill N Pub); and a limited retail liquor license for the VFW. Also included in the motion was the renewal of the microbrewery permit for OEB LLC.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: KEVIN SKATES: Skates expressed his appreciation of the good working relationship with the Town. He noted the work the Town does in and for the state park is used as payment in lieu of lease fees.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: RAY & BELINDA MOORE: FREMONT STREET: Barnett noted administration is recommending two drains in Fremont Street to help drain ground water and lengthen the street life. One drain would be placed near 1508 Fremont, the other near the highway. Lewis made a motion and Malloy seconded to proceed with the \$18,000 project.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: Mortimore made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the notice to proceed on the water line replacement project with Wilson Brothers. Barnett noted the company plans to mobilize the end of March or first part of April 2018.

TOWN ATTORNEY: RT COMMUNICATION FRANCHISE ORDINANCE: The ordinance is a 10 year franchise agreement with RT Communications to provide telecommunication services to town residents. Following the reading of the ordinance,

Malloy made a motion, Lewis seconded to approve the first reading of the ordinance.  
Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: HUB INSURANCE: Crosby presented the property and vehicle insurance invoice from Hub. Mortimore made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the \$38,656 invoice.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: The council meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next scheduled council meeting is March 6, 2018 at 7 pm.

ATTEST:

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Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

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Mike Mortimore, Mayor