

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session March 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, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Bobbi Overfield.

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 February 2018.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: SHORTY'S: CATERING PERMITS: Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve three catering permits for Shorty's Liquor. Elk Foundation at the Fairgrounds on April 7, 2018 from 3 pm to midnight (the event has Fair Board approval); and the Car Show at the State Park on June 16 & 17 from 8 am to 7 pm.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: DARREN BUTCHER: ZONING CHANGE REQUEST: Mr. Butcher amended his request to ask for an ordinance change to allow chickens between Arapahoe and Amoretti and between the railroad tracks and the river. Extensive discussion ensued. Administration will review neighboring community ordinances and present a sample ordinance for the mayor and council to review.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: HEATHER HAYS: STREET CLOSURE REQUEST: Hays requested street closures for the rodeo parade and street dance on June 23. The south side of Broadway will be closed from 6<sup>th</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> street and 6<sup>th</sup> street from Shoshoni to Broadway (pending WYDOT approval) from 9:30 am to 11 am for the parade. The north side of Broadway will be closed from 6<sup>th</sup> street to 420 Broadway from 9 pm to midnight for a street dance. Larson made a motion, Lewis seconded to approve the street closures and to allow the Mayor to sign the WYDOT highway closure application.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: Discussion ensued on the upcoming water line replacement project. Mortimore made a motion, Malloy seconded to approve a \$1,062.50 change order for an addition to the altitude valve at the airport tank.

TOWN ATTORNEY: BOBBI OVERFIELD: THIRD READING OF THE RT COMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE AGREEMENT ORDINANCE: Following the reading of the ordinance, Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to pass the third and final reading of the ordinance. The ordinance adopts, ratifies and approves a franchise agreement with RT Communications, effective January 16, 2018 for the period of 10 years.

### ORDINANCE 850

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO RT COMMUNICATIONS, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, THE RIGHT TO ERECT AND MAINTAIN A SYSTEM OF

TELECOMMUNICATION WORKS IN THE TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS, HOT SPRINGS COUNTY, WYOMING, AND INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO INSTALL ALL LINES NECESSARY THERETO FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLYING THE INHABITANTS OF SAID TOWN WITH COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE AND TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES EXCEPT AS RESTRICTED, AND THE RIGHT TO MAKE CHARGES FOR AND REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE USE OF THE SAME, AND PROVIDING A PAYMENT THEREFORE. ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH ARE HEREBY REPEALED.

Passed on First Reading February 20, 2018

Passed on Second Reading March 6, 2018

Passed, Approved and Adopted on Third and Final Reading March 20, 2018.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: WYDOT RESOLUTION 541: Larson made a motion seconded by Malloy and carried to approve Resolution 541. The resolution provides financial assistance to the town in exchange for maintaining the highway as outlined in state statute.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: The council meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm. The next scheduled council meeting is April 3, 2018 at 7 pm.

ATTEST:

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Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

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Mike Mortimore, Mayor