

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session May 15, 2018 at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Mortimore, Council members John Dorman Sr., Bill Malloy and Dusty Lewis. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Fred Crosby, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Public Works Director Ernie Slagle, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Mike Messenger. Council member Tony Larson was absent.

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 April 2018.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: MERI ANN RUSH: STREET CLOSURE: Rush asked for permission to close streets on August 4, 2018 at 10am for the Pageant Parade. Mortimore made a motion seconded by Dorman and carried to allow the Mayor to sign the WYDOT highway closure request. The parade will start on Senior Avenue, travel to Arapahoe to 5th and turn around at the intersection of 6th and Broadway.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: UPPER FREMONT STREET REPAIR: Barnett noted two quotes were received on the upper Fremont street repair. Big Horn Redi-Mix \$16,543.60 and Owl Creek Construction \$17,490.24 Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to award the bid to Big Horn Redi-Mix.

CANYON HILLS WATER BREAK REPAIR: Barnett noted Wilson Bros. had located some fusible PVC pipe for the repair; however, the company who fuses the pipe would not be available until the middle of June. General consensus was to proceed in June.

WATER TRANSMISSION REPLACEMENT PROJECT: Barnett noted the pipe under the river had been pressure tested and would be completed following the summer shut down. Discussion ensued on timing, keeping the State Park hot water system operational and several unusual problems. The State Park has a M.O.U. with the Town to reimburse up to \$35,000 for replacing a hot water line between the Days Inn and the Pioneer Home.

TOWN ATTORNEY: MIKE MESSENGER: EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: EXHIBITION OF NOISE: Following the reading of the ordinance discussion ensued. It was noted that the ordinance was not to prohibit demo derby and car show noise, unless it was after 10:30pm. Dorman made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the emergency ordinance.

ORDINANCE 851

An ordinance to repeal and replace town code section 1-123, drag racing and exhibition of speed or acceleration prohibited, providing for reenactment of existing law and adding exhibition of noise and declaring an emergency.

Passed, Approved and Adopted on the 15th day of May 2018.

TOWN ATTORNEY: INSURANCE PROVIDER CONTRACT FOR WATER & SEWER LINES: Messenger noted he had reviewed the contracts with Utility Service Partners, Inc., recommended by the National League of Cities. He noted the company would not be liable for damages over \$8,500, for sewer backups or water or sewer line breaks within a house. The council will review the contracts.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: FIRST READING OF THE 2018-2019 BUDGET: Mortimore reviewed several areas of the budget. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the first reading of the FY 18-19 budget.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: The council meeting adjourned at 7:26pm. The next scheduled council meeting is June 5, 2018 at 7 pm.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Mortimore, Mayor