

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session May 17, 2022, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Mike Chimenti, 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, Town Engineer Anthony Barnette and Town Attorneys Mike Messenger and Marshall Keller.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the financial statement for April 2022.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: ALCOHOL PERMITS: Lewis made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to approve two alcohol permits. The first is a malt beverage permit for OEB LLC for the Brewfest on June 4, 2022, from noon-8 pm on Broadway between 4th & 5th. The second is for a catering permit for OEB Saloon for the Republican Dinner on June 3, 2022, at the Fair Building from 4 – 11 pm. Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve a malt beverage permit for Central Bank & Trust on May 26, 2022, for a Beer & Brats meet and greet at 435 Arapahoe from 5:30-7:30pm.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: Barnett noted two bids were received on the water line replacement project. High Country Construction bid \$1,291,409.75 and Wilson Bros bid \$1,394,888.00. Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to accept the low bid from High Country Construction.

TOWN ATTORNEY: MICHAEL MESSENGER: PARI-MUTUAL EVENTS ORDINANCE: FIRST READING: Messenger read the ordinance which amends the ordinance to allow for para-mutual gambling and other skill-based games. Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the first reading of the ordinance.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: FIRST DRAFT OF THE 2022-23 BUDGET: Crosby reviewed the budget, noting a \$.50 per hour increase in wages and proposed one cent and capital expenditures. Malloy made a motion, Lewis seconded and carried to approve the first reading of the budget.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: Crosby noted the utility rate review and Legion golf board minutes were also included. Lewis inquired about placing a dumpster, picnic table and port-a-potty near the 8th street river access. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm and the next Council meeting is June 7, 2022, at 7pm.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Chimenti, Mayor