

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session June 20, 2017 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 Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Police Chief Steven Shay, Public Works Director Ernie Slagle, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Joe Hampton.

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Mortimore made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the financial statement for May 2017.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2017-2018 BUDGET: Mortimore opened the public hearing at 7:02 pm. No public comments were received. The public hearing closed at 7:04 pm.

THIRD READING OF THE 2017-18 BUDGET: RESOLUTION 535: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to approve the third reading of the budget - Resolution 535.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: SHORTY'S – CATERING PERMITS: Larson made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve five catering permits. The permits for Mac's Bar include an anniversary party at the Fairgrounds on July 8 and a wedding reception at the Fairgrounds on July 28. The permits for Shorty's Liquor include bands in the State Park on July 10, pig wrestling at the Fairgrounds on August 1 and Oktobrewfest on September 16 near downtown.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: MAIN STREET THERMOPOLIS UPDATE: Rick & Deb Tudor, Main Street Thermopolis board members, reported on a national convention in Pittsburg that they recently attended. The group is working on street scaping, banners and downtown cleanup.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: OTHER: Discussion ensued on the recent addition of the United States President's picture in the council room. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Larson to leave the picture in place. Voting aye were Mortimore, Larson and Malloy. Voting no were Dorman and Lewis. Motion carried.

TOWN ENGINEER: ANTHONY BARNETT: PROJECT UPDATES: Barnett noted the DEQ permit to construct (water line project) will be mailed by the end of the week.

TOWN ATTORNEY: JOE HAMPTON: Nothing at this time.

ADMINISTRATION: FRED CROSBY: SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING DATE: Following discussion, Dorman made a motion, seconded by Lewis and carried to

schedule a special council meeting for June 29 at 5 pm, in lieu of a meeting on July 4 and for the approval of fiscal year-end bills.

MOSQUITO SPRAYING REQUEST: Dorman made a motion, Malloy seconded and carried to allow the Mayor to sign a letter allowing aerial mosquito spraying as necessary. Jim Andreen from the Weed & Pest noted the district is monitoring the mosquitos in town and if necessary, the district will fog the alleys.

FIREWORKS REQUEST: Crosby noted Derrick Burrows would like to have a public area to set off fireworks. (Work scheduling prevented Burrows from attending.) Discussion ensued on the increased safety measures implemented last year. The recreation district and fire department have given approval. Mortimore made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to allow fireworks near the skate park on July 4, 2017 from 6pm-10pm. Burrows is to work with the fire and police departments and organize the event as in the prior year.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: OTHER: The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm. The next scheduled council meeting is July 18, 2017, at 7 pm.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

Mike Mortimore, Mayor