

Council Meeting  
November 3, 2020  
7:00 P.M.

Council Present: Mayor John Bigart III, Jaime Odell, Marvin Garding, Anna LeDuc. Joe Hanson was absent.

**Minutes:** The Clerk read the minutes. A motion was made by Jaime seconded by Anna to approve the October 6, 2020 minutes as read. All were in favor.

**Claims:** The claims were discussed. A motion was made by Marvin seconded by Jaime to pay the claims from check number 15943 through 15962 in the amount of \$22,070.82. All were in favor. Marvin made a motion seconded by Anna to keep the porta potty for year-round or until the bathrooms are redone. All were in favor.

The Council received and reviewed the bank reconciliation and cash report. They have access at the Expenditure to Budget and Revenue to Budget financial reports.

**Water Sewer:** James Claxton was at the meeting. The department is running well. The roof at the well house is leaking and needs to be replaced. The heater also needs to be replaced. After discussion Jaime made a motion seconded by Anna to allow James to order steel roofing for a maximum amount of \$3,000.00. All were in favor.

**Fire Department:** Chief Joe Calnan was not at the meeting.

**Sheriff Department:** The Sheriff was not at the meeting.

**Sheriff Contract:** The contract remains the same as it has. Marvin made a motion seconded by Anna to approve the contract. All were in favor.

**County Planner:** Andy Short was not at the meeting.

### **Old Business**

**PEAK Foundation:** Laura Acker from the PEAK Foundation updated on the park project. They are looking for additional bids for the tennis court and the path. The only one that they have received so far is astronomical. She also wanted to know if they receive additional bids and they are high can they wait for a while to complete the project. They would like to know if they town is willing to cover the cost of the survey, pave the parking lot by the skatepark and across from the Methodist Church, and proceed with the encroachment permit for the east end of the skatepark and part of the walking path by the parking lot. After discussion Anna made a motion seconded by Marvin to pursue the encroachment permit. Anna, Marvin voted yes, Jaime abstained. The motion passed. Marvin made a motion seconded by Anna to approve the design of the path by the skatepark parking lot. Anna, Marvin voted yes, Jaime abstained. The motion passed. Marvin made a motion to cover half of the cost of the survey, there was not a second. Anna made a motion to cover the total cost of the survey \$3,575.00 only, Marvin seconded. Anna, Marvin voted yes, Jaime abstained. The motion passed.

**Clerk Notes:** The Clerk updated the council on the library flooring. The floor is on hold because when they tore up a few tiles there was more asbestos than they thought, and it all needs to be removed. She had received an email regarding the speed signs and needs to forward some pictures for them to proceed. The town had received a gift agreement from Fran Rogers son regarding the museum contents. She would like to take Thursday, the 12<sup>th</sup> off and work Veterans Day instead. There were no objections.

**Public Comment:**

Bob Summerfield updated on the property at 75 Brovold Lane. They are done with the clean up phase. The next step is to remove the existing building. They would like to make the orchard a community effort. They are forming an advisory board. There is an unusual tree on the property that they found out is called Camperdown Elm tree. They would like to make the apple press an annual event again.

Tyler Steinebach and Stacy Wheeler introduced themselves. They are working on a project and would like to include Alberton. It is a pilot program providing technical and staffing assistance for behavioral health emergencies and follow-up care in rural Montana. They will keep the town informed on the progress.

Jaime made a motion seconded by Anna to adjourn.

Being no further business, this meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor

Attest:

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