

-Council Meeting  
December 1, 2020  
7:00 P.M.

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

**Minutes:** The Clerk read the minutes. A motion was made by Jaime seconded by Anna to approve the November 3, 2020 minutes as read. All were in favor.

**Claims:** The claims were discussed. A motion was made by Jaime seconded by Marvin to pay the claims from check number 15961 through 15978 in the amount of \$88,517.84. 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 not at the meeting. The Clerk informed those present that he had stated that the department was running well. The steel for the well house roof is here and the heater is set up.

Paul Montgomery from Anderson-Montgomery was at the meeting via zoom. He updated on the status of the TSEP and DNRC grant applications. The town scored an 8 out of 41 on the TSEP grant which is incredibly good. The town scored a 61 out of 76 on the DNRC grant which is not very good but the town could still maybe get funding if the legislature votes to fund all of the projects. These grant applications were for the next phase of the project. He wanted to know how the system is running with the upgrades. The Mayor stated that the system is running well. They would like to have the town submit a letter of recommendation on their behalf if the town feels it is justified. The Mayor stated that the town is satisfied with their work and the town would take care of it.

**Fire Department:** Chief Joe Calnan was at the meeting. He updated on the department. They are switching out some of the apparatuses. The academy is complete now and there will be 10 new additions. There will be three new residents. The next academy will be in January.

**Sheriff Department:** Sheriff Toth was at the meeting. He updated on the department. They have signed the contract and filed it with the county. They have been busy. They had 5 out due to COVID earlier. They do not enforce COVID related issues. That is up to the health department.

**County Planner:** Andy Short was at the meeting via zoom.

**Floodplain Map:** Andy Short discussed the floodplain map. The town currently does not have one. The new one will affect the town. Nadene Wadsworth from the DNRC who is a floodplain outreach specialist introduced herself. The purpose of a floodplain map is to help identify the flood risk areas. Currently the town does not have any floodplain maps. The flood study is done. The maps are still in the review stage. You

can access the information at [www.floodplain.mt.gov/mineral](http://www.floodplain.mt.gov/mineral). She also informed on how the study works. The town does not have to participate but it should. The application process is simple. The Mayor wanted to know who the administrator would be. It looks like the county planner would be.

**Public Comment:**

The Clerk stated that the Christmas lights were up and the locomotive had been shipped. It should be here by Friday or Monday. The library floor will be done the end of January. The town ranked 49 out of 94 on the historical grant for the windows. Hopefully the legislature will fund the projects.

Marvin wanted to know where the speed signs were at. The Clerk stated that the requested information had been submitted.

Anna made a motion seconded by Jaime to adjourn.

Being no further business, this meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk

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