

Council Meeting
December 3, 2019
7:00 P.M.

Council Present: Mayor John Bigart III, Jaime Odell, Marvin Garding, Cori Miranda, Brandon Prior was absent.

Minutes: The Clerk read the minutes. A motion was made by Jaime seconded by Cori to approve the November 5, 2019 minutes with correction. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Claims: The claims were discussed. A motion was made by Jaime seconded by Cori to pay the claims from check number 15718 through 15735 in the amount of \$17,148.40. 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. He updated on the department. The new door for the old fire hall is installed. The department is running well. The Mayor wanted to know when he would be able to take his sewer test. James stated that there are some new changes coming to the test. The Mayor would like him to look into when the changes will be taking place.

Engineering contract for the Church water line and Parkway Drive sewer line will be discussed again at next month's meeting. Morrison-Maierle is going to give us a proposal in about 2 weeks.

The Mayor stated that Doug Lausch had resigned from the town. He spoke with Rc Askew about taking over the position. Rc is confident that he can take over for the snow plowing and sanding during the winter, the summer projects might be more of a hassle. The Mayor thought that we would need to post this position. The Clerk will check into that. After discussion Marvin made a motion seconded by Cori to adjust Rc's wage to what Doug Lausch was making. The rain gutters are at the old fire hall and the snow stops need to be put up. The new speed signs are here we will check to see about putting them in before spring.

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

Sheriff Department: The Sheriff was not at the meeting.

County Planner: Andy Short was not at the meeting.

Old Business:

Vacation of Portions of Rosehill Lane: This was the final read of the vacation. There had been no public comment during the period. Jaime made a motion seconded by Cori to approve the vacation. Jaime, Marvin and Cori voted yes. The motion carried.

Easement and Right of Way Vacations: Jaime stated that she thinks there is still a lot of things that need to be revisited for more information. The Mayor stated that he had spoke with Andy Short, Jay from Garland Land Survey and the Montana Right of Way department they believe that if the town really wants to pursue this there should be a title search done. The question is who should pay for the title search. Marvin believes that the property owners should pay for the title search as they are the ones who want the changes. Bob Summerfield stated the he believes the 10' strip is town owned. The water lines are in or within the strip. Some of Norm Brovold's house are on the strip. We will look into this further before making any decisions.

Public Comment:

Judy Bungarz updated on the library windows. They are applying for another \$5,000.00 grant from the Historical Society. They are wondering if the town would be interested in paying for one window. The cost is \$2,500.00. We will put this on next month's agenda.

The Clerk mentioned that the Christmas lights would be going up on Wednesday. Rc and James would be getting them ready. Our lights are between 13 and 18 years old. She has been checking into possibly updated them for next year with LED ones.

We will look into changing out the flag next spring. In the past the American Legion paid for one and the town paid for one.

Jaime made a motion seconded by Cori to adjourn.

Being no further business, this meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

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