

TOWN OF SUGAR CITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
10/18/2023

**CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 pm by Mayor John Del Rio

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Mayor John Del Rio

**ROLL CALL** Markus, Roberts, Del Rio, Larsen, Cloer, Willis, Massey, Mr. Buchner via zoom

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR MINUTES** **Motion** to approve minutes dated 10/04/023 made by Willis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried.

**ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** Remove the Resolution 2023-11.

**APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** **Motion** to approve changes to the agenda made by Markus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Willis, motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Rob Smoot:** Thank you for your diligence and hard work on the ordinance for the engine braking.

**Tyler Barton** via zoom: here for truck issue, haul for Ordway Cattle Feeders. In morning start truck and it runs for 10 minutes then I pull out and go to work. I get in and run down the road and mind my own business. I don't believe I have done anything wrong. **Larsen:** Problem is the streets. With the weight of the truck daily it is tearing up our streets. Parking in city limits does not limit you providing a living. Discussion over semi tearing up roads and parking within town limits. No decision.

**Tony Moreland** Port-a-potty if you leave it here. It is \$50 month or he will come and get it. Need to get a latch, when he cleaned it last time he found t-shirts and underwear. Discussion over cost and cleaning. No decision made. **Davida:** Will he charge for storage over the winter? **Tony:** I will ask.

Ordway Senior Center beginning luncheons. Discussion over Senior Center.

**Anthony Mora:** Veteran's Day falls on a Saturday and the board said we could have the Friday before off as a holiday. Can we work that day and have Saturday off? Discussion over the holiday. Decision made to put on next agenda.

**REPORTS**

**Sam Wilson:** not present, tabled.

**Clerk (Davida Moreland):** Letter for broadband work in Crowley County. No discussion.

**Mr. Boyce** said that he needed to change his rate from \$85 to \$100 an hour. **Mr. Buchner:** For a municipal judge you are going to want to pay salary not hourly. Discussion over salary and judge. Decision made to wait on new judge.

Discussion over the sheriff's department. No decision made.

**Terry** submitted a vacation request. Requests two vacation days. No discussion. Decision made to give vacation request.

**Claim # PC6016805:** accident from April 2022. No discussion.

**Lead and Copper** rule revisions. Sent around table. No discussion.

**Colorado Infrastructure,** paperwork sent around table. No discussion.

**Arkansas pipeline** for Hot Springs: magazine article another pipeline. Magazine sent around table. No discussion.

**Customer** upset about 'deposit' on their trash account. Discussion over trash not having a deposit. Decision made that can not refund when there is no deposit.

**Mr. Buchner:**

**Flow Right:** discarded the pump, they had sent to the repair vendor and the vendor discarded the pump. No discussion.

**MBar Farms:** They used the money for the materials. Build two dumpsters and return the difference. Should have both by the end of the month or we will pursue further. The difference the town should receive should be between \$400-\$500. No discussion.

Discussion over the three property hazards. Decision made to have the attorney contact property owners.

**Deputy Clerk (Vickie Bauer):** Resident in town would like a refund on water bill. Discussion over refunds given. No decision.

**Trash** customer called with a comment. Sent around table. No discussion.

**Computer program:** the current program we are using is having glitches that we noticed a couple of months ago. We need to have some hours to complete getting Caselle up and running. Does the board have any suggestions? Discussion over programs and office work. Decision made to close November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> to complete Caselle billing and then close first Friday of month to catch up from previous month.

**Letters of intent** for the Cemetery and Activities board. What are we going to do to get people. Discussion over citizens putting in letters. No decision made.

**Department** asked me to create letters, was told that I am not to do anything with other departments is that still correct? No discussion. Decision made that office does not assist the other departments.

**SMS** messaging: asked to bring this up again. No discussion. No decision made.

**Public outreach;** can we put on a town event for the residents to meet the employees and board members. Discussion over event. Decision made to table.

**Aging accounts;** list of accounts that have balances over 30 days past due. **Markus:** Vickie has done an amazing job, getting the balances down, there is still a lot to collect. Discussion over past due balances. No decision made.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 2023-1: 2<sup>nd</sup> reading:** Discussion over ordinance.

Roll Call Vote to pass:

Markus: No

Roberts: No

Cloer: No

Willis: No

Larsen: No

Massey: No

Del Rio: No

**Motion** to reintroduce Ordinance 2023-1 with changes made by Larsen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Willis, roll call vote.

Markus: No

Roberts: Aye

Cloer: No

Willis: Aye

Larsen: Aye

Massey: Aye

Del Rio: Aye

Motion carried.

**Trash Driver:** Careless driver, give a second chance. Discussion over rehiring Mr. De La Torres.

**Mr. Buchner** previous record has no bearing on current if holding CDL. Decision made to wait and find out if insurance will cover.

**Grants:** DOLA; historically Sugar City has been hesitant to apply for grants. Can apply for grants that have no audit requirements. 20 grants- Water and Wastewater. EIF Grants can be used for water, wastewater, salary, and administrative. Discussion over grants. Decision made that John, Joan, Scarlett and Davida will be involved.

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Discussion over the streetlights and making Sugar City a Dark Sky town. Discussion over bills.

Decision made to put Dark Skies on the ballot in April 2024.

**Motion** to pay the bills in the amount of \$14,804.48 made by Willis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Markus, motion carried. Cloer opposing.

## **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Markus: No comment.

Roberts: No comment.

Cloer: Help finding a Santa before it is too late. Discussion over Santa. No Decision made.

Roads and grants, Idaho is terrible need to continue asking in the budget. Discussion over roads

and grants.

Del Rio: No comment

Willis: No comment

Larsen: CDOT meeting next week asking them to remove except right turn, we are going to do a traffic survey. No discussion.

Massey: General fund need to watch as well as the rest of accounts. No discussion.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION Motion** to go into executive session at 9:10 pm by Willis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried.

**CALL TO ORDER** 9:43 pm by Mayor John Del Rio

**Motion** to move office clerk into back room made by Markus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried. Willis opposed.

**ADJOURN Motion** to adjourn at 9:44 pm made by Cloer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried.

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Mayor

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Clerk