

TOWN OF SUGAR CITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
12/20/2023

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

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

**ROLL CALL** Markus, Roberts, Cloer, Del Rio, Larsen, Massey – present. Via Zoom Willis, town attorney Clay Buchner

Mr. Buchner asked for the information provided to be read aloud. Cloer read information (attached).

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Motion** made to approve minutes dated 12/06/2023 made by Markus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Willis, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Motion** made to approve special minutes dated 12/15/2023 made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried. Cloer, Markus, Willis abstaining.

**ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Add under old business – Valorie Davis and the EPA paperwork.

**APPROVE CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

**Motion** to approved changes to agenda made by Markus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Cindy Karle: Where are you with the Ash Farms case? Discussion over water and what the town may lose. Discussion over RFI and different persons town should contact. **Motion** to write a letter to request more information made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Markus, motion died.

Discussion over sending a letter of opposition in place of the request. **Massey** withdraws previous motion. **Motion** to send letter of opposition to Ash Farms made by Cloer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Markus, motion carried.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Clerk (Moreland)

Larry Vacation: 80 hours. No discussion. Decision made to pay out

Infrastructure Grants: No discussion.

CDOT 2027 Grants: Discussion over which board member going to handle. Decision made Markus.

USDA: Economic Development and Create Jobs. No discussion. Sent around to board.

Proxy for Water meetings for 2024, signatures. Discussion over Sam being our proxy. Decision made to keep Sam as proxy for all water related matters.

Vickie’s Computer cleaned past weekend, take mine in this weekend and the last one the following weekend. No discussion.

Unemployment Rate Notice; sent around to board.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Valorie Davis had a roll off placed on her property. Mr. Buchner spoke with Mr. Six about EPA report. Discussion over both properties and what towns next steps are. Decision made to have Mr. Buchner contact the EPA and get information about both properties.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Terry Short: Employees are having to pay for materials out of own pocket, Board members, Gary, Terry and Janet have helped with different materials. It is not Davida's fault you tell her not to let us spend money, she won't give us the card. Paying out of my personal pocket for infrastructure repairs. Maintenances moral is sinking quickly. **Cloer:** Appreciate all you've done. Stop using your own money and explain that the money isn't there.

Resolution 23-14 **Motion** to accept resolution 23-14 made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried.

Mario Trujillo called and notified us; he would not be able to attend the meeting.

Tony Moreland

Mark Cloer thank you for everything you have helped with at the Ordway Senior Center.

Scarlett Markus thank you for the additional tote for the Ordway Senior Center's use.

## **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

**Motion** to approve the trash bills in the amount of \$21,1177.83 made by Cloer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Massey, motion carried.

**Motion** to approve the water bills in the amount of \$200.00 made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cloer, motion carried.

Discussion over town bills and the difference between the total on agenda and on the payment report.

**Motion** to approve the town bills in the amount of \$9663.71 made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Markus, motion carried. Cloer abstaining.

## **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Markus: No comment

Roberts: No comment

Cloer: The chunks in the street on Idaho have been moved, however not Removed. Please either fix or remove the chunks.

Has a wonderful Santa and an enjoyable time at the Town Christmas Celebration.

Employee dinner, put the juice and items in the fridge. Not going to be able to attend due to other commitments.

Del Rio: When is Black Hills going to be fixing these lights?

Larsen: Response to your question John, going to be recontacting the person over the account for the town. Effective two weeks ago they agreed to change our rates from 35 lights at \$14.40

to 35 lights at \$2.76 that is about a \$9000 savings a year.

Forensic Audit: read first page aloud. **Moreland** Thank you Brian

Last meeting resident saying that BakerTilly is not an audit company and in point of fact they are.

Massey: Get the town truck a timing light and couple of hours and it be ready to go.

The bill for the trash truck, if another one comes in that will be what our yearly payments are for the new truck.

**Executive Session legal advice** worded incorrectly cancelled.

**Motion** to go into ***Executive Session pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S., Discussion of Personnel matters, regarding Davida Moreland, Office Staff*** at 8:16 pm made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen, motion carried.

**CALL TO ORDER** at 8:41 pm by Mayor John Del Rio

**ADJOURN Motion** to adjourn at 8:42 pm made by Massey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Markus, motion carried.

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Mayor

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Clerk