

TOWN OF BASIN

Regular Council Meeting – Minutes

Thursday, April 27, 2023

Town Hall at 7:00 PM

Call to Order Regular Session

Pledge of Allegiance

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Basin Council was held at Town Hall in Basin, Wyoming on Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 7:00 PM. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Council Members Present: CJ Duncan, Brent Godfrey, Stuart DesRosier, Carl Olson, and Chuck Hopkin.

Also present were Clerk/Treasurer Deaun Tigner, Chief McClure, Foreman Mike Dellos, Town Attorney Kent Richins, Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee.

Public Comment: None at this time.

Building/Demolition Permits:

- Rodney Bayne
- Tom & Jennifer Olmstead
- Dean & Susie Fauske

Councilman DesRosier made a motion to approve all building permits, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Chicken Permits: Calvin & Kristen Brown: Coop, 5 x 7, run 7 x 8.

Councilman Hopkin made a motion to approve the chicken permit, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session: None at this time.

Approve Consent Agenda/Additions/Deletions:

Councilman Olson made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Budget 2023-2024: The Council looked over the revised budget figures. Councilman Hopkin questioned whether we needed to transfer funds into the general fund annually and how that would affect our current cash flow. Mr. Russell suggested that we transfer enough cash to maintain the general fund's balance. Mr. Russell clarified how we get our funding. Mayor Duncan proposed moving more money into the enterprise funds rather than the streets and alleys and changing the way that certain funds' salaries were deducted. Mr. Russell outlined the necessity for enterprise funds to be financially independent and self-sufficient. The Council also talked about raising the prices for raw water and garbage. Mayor Duncan suggested that we approve this reading on the first reading tonight, get information from the county, and see what it would look like with the salary changes with projections for the next meeting.

Councilman Olson made a motion to approve Budget Ordinance 706 on the first reading, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Councilman DesRosier directed Bill Dahlke to work with Clerk Tigner and Kent Richins to change the electric rate changes in the ordinances. Councilman Hopkin asked that Bill also go over the accounts to make sure they are being billed correctly.

WAM/Voting Delegates: Voting Delegate will be Councilman Olson with the alternate Councilman Hopkin.

Eagles: Councilman Olson is looking for a tenant for this building, possibly negotiating a lower rent if they also cover the utilities.

Community Center: Clerk Tigner submitted the paperwork for the grant.

North 8th Street; Town Engineer Jesse Frisbee stated it is moving along pretty slow. Everyone thought it was an 8 inch line, but it turned out to be 6 inch. On Hart Avenue the water line is not actually looped, so Jesse has made a field order to put a fire hydrant at the end of that because the end person has some dirty water. While they put the fire hydrant into the north, he would like to know if we can put a T stubbed out going down Hart to the east with a cap on it for future tie in to 7th street. The Council would like a proposed number of projected cost to tie it in from 7th to 8th, Jesse thought around \$50,000.

Rocky Mountain Tree Service would like to know if the town would be interested in taking down the other tree further east on 5th street for \$5500 dollars. Jesse thought it could be beneficial to remove it now in this budget. We could move the money from the cemetery, \$4500 for the current tree being removed, \$5500 for the other one. Jesse also said there is a curb stop missing in the alley. Councilman Olson said it is dead. He talked to Mike about it because they dug it down, capped it and buried it so it did not get smashed. It is shut off over by Joseph Keele's house somewhere. Councilman Olson made a motion to remove the other tree out using all of the cemetery expansion money, Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

4th Street: Jesse Frisbee said they are getting paving hopefully the beginning of May. Councilman Olson asked if they are going to fix the other ones. Jesse said Wilson Bros. is testing the flow fill after it was put in there. He said there was no testing on the flow fill originally. He thought the best case scenario is they will be milled out and repaved.

Councilman DesRosier made a motion to go into executive session for personnel, Councilman Olson seconded, and the motion passed at 8:17 p.m. Councilman Olson made a motion to move out of executive session and move into the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m., Councilman DesRosier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. There being nothing further to discuss, Councilman DesRosier made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting, Councilman Hopkin seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Town of Basin Mayor/CJ Duncan

Deaun Tigner – Town Clerk