

Regular Town Council Meeting August 10, 2015 6:00 p.m.

A regular session of the Sheridan Town Council Meeting was called to order by Tom Shaffer at 6:05 pm. Council members Bob Stump, Paul Kramer, Nick Pairitz, public works Curt Green and Clerk Gail Leary were present.

Guests: Isaac Bendon, Mary Pat Graham, Nancy Beyes, Curtis Green, Neil O. Petersen, Conn Norling, William Talbott, Daniel Kruer, Charlie Kruer, Amber McCabe, Nondi Harrington, RJ Lowder, Stephanie Kruer, Janet Doornbos, Erin Rossiter, Charlie Rossiter, Tanja Bendon, RaeAnne Bendon, Kendra Horn, Frank Ford, A Begley, Kathy Shaffer, Abbi Lee, Zoe Lee, Mox Lee, Destiny Fabel, Isaiah Galiger, Eileen Pearce, Paul Babb, Shan Hoover, Roger Thompson, Sara Dunham, Laurie Campbell, John Campbell, Alice Gilbert, Dave Schulz, Mark LaYacona, Amanda LaYacona, Michelle Devereaux, Jim Jarvis.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from July 21, 2015 Town Council meeting were reviewed. Nick Pairitz moved to approve the minutes as presented. Bob Stump seconded. No discussion. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Bob Stump voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Nick Pairitz voting yes. The motion passed.

The delinquent report was reviewed by the council. There was no financial report this month due to budget work. Paul Kramer moved to accept the delinquent reports as presented. Nick Pairitz seconded. No Discussion. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Nick Pairitz voting yes, Bob Stump voting yes, and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

Department Reports

Sheriff Department

Sheriff Thompson reviewed the statistics for 96.75 hours for the month of July 2015. There were 2 animal problems, 1 alarm, 3 bail/no contact violation, 2 citizen assist, 1 civil standby, 1 disturbance, 4 fraud, identity theft, scam, 1 medical aid, 1 public safety, 6 suspicious person/circumstance, 1 threats/harassment, 2 traffic complaint, 1 unfounded 911 call, 1 welfare checks, 1 wildlife complaint, 1 agency assist, and 1 civil service.

The sheriffs department is working on the speeding problem on Main Street.

Library

Mayor Shaffer read the Library report for July 2015. The library hosted the Summer Reading Program, *Every Hero has a Story*, which ran Thursdays through the end of July. On July 8th, the Friends co-hosted a program on Frank B Linderman and, on July 16, a Johnny Cash tribute.

Public Works

WE Dust from Whitehall came in last week and sprayed the roads in Town with magnesium chloride. Commissioner Schulz had the county crew prep the Town roads for the dust control. He requested that we take pride in our roads and try to help maintain them by following the speed limits.

Curtis reported that the Sheridan Festival was a great success. The event worked well at the Baseball Park and he thanked all the volunteers for their help.

Clerk

Gail reminded the Town council of the Public Hearing/Town Council Meeting on August 31, 2015 at 6:00 on the Preliminary Budget & Mayor's report.

Boards and Committees

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Kathy Shaffer mentioned that the donor plaques have been put on the lamp posts and that the Main Street Wine Fest is September 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Park Board

Janet Doornbos, Nondi Harrington and Charlie Rossiter were present to review the structure and running of the Sheridan/Alder Park District and answer any questions. The park district advisors are the county commissioners. The tax money of \$25.00/household from the Sheridan/Alder High School district is not enough to handle the costs of managing the park district. The money is utilized for multiple entities such as: pool, baseball, fire department, Linderman cabin, etc.

The public gave their comments and questions. Discussion. The current pool season was discussed. Thompson Pools out of Billings will be analyzing the pool and its equipment and give their recommendations.

The next Park District meeting will be at the Alder Community Center on August 28th at 8:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome and all volunteers are encouraged to get involved with the group.

Commissioner Schulz and Mayor Shaffer both encouraged the group to all work together.

Public comment not on the agenda

None

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None

Business before the Council for Consideration

Old Business

1. 2nd reading Ordinance 124 NW Energy Corporation Franchise Agreement

Mayor Shaffer asked if the council needed him to review this agreement again.. The council said no.

New Business

1. Skateboarders request for support

Isaac Bendon read a narrative on skateboarding and the positive points of skateboarding . The group will work on a skateboard park as a FCCLA project and hope to get community support and help with funding. In order to apply for grants, they must have land. They asked the Town if there would be any land available. Discussion.

Mayor Shaffer asked the group to get their plans together on how it would be funded, the size, insurance/ liability and then come back and present it to the Town Council for consideration. He thanked them for coming and their presentation.

2. CDBG planning grant-Jim Jarvis & Rob Gilmore Library/Senior Center

Jim Jarvis reviewed his credentials as a grant writer for the CDBG planning grant. He has worked with Virginia City, Madison County and Butte on community development. He is working now with the Sheridan Library on a CDBG planning grant and will couple the application up with the Senior Center for Phase 2 of the Library expansion project.

The Senior Center has outgrown its place and Jim feels this is a very viable option for Sheridan. Jim will have the application ready for the September meeting. This will require some extra ground from the Town in Phase 2. Mayor Shaffer feels this is a win win for both Library and Senior Center. Jim will proceed ahead with the application. The Town Council is in favor of his proposal.

3. John & Laurie Campbell-well on property.

John & Laurie Campbell have owned the property for 9 years. They submitted to the county for a septic system and were turned down. They installed a well in 2015. It is in the Town limits. The Campbell's asked if they could keep their well and use it? No decision will be made until our attorney Stephanie Kruer can look into this further. No more wells are allowed in Sheridan and the old grandfathered wells are for irrigation only.

Business before the council for disposition.

1. Ordinance 124- Northwestern Energy Corportation Franchise Agreement

Nick Pairitz made a motion to approve Ordinance 124 Northwestern Energy Corporation Franchise Agreement as read at the previous meeting. Bob Stump seconded. No discussion. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Nick Pairitz voting yes, Bob Stump voting yes, and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

2. CDBG Planning grant

Paul Kramer made a motion to move forward with the CDBG planning grant. Nick Pairitz seconded. No discussion. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Nick Pairitz voting yes, Bob Stump voting yes, and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

Mayors Report

Tom told the council he will be gone on Sept 14 so would they like to move the meeting to the Sept 21st at 6:00 p.m. Yes, the meeting will be moved for the month of September.

A half dose of magnesium chloride was put on all the roads this year. Tom would like to see the Town pro-active on the roads. Gravel next year.

WARRANTS August 2015

MARTIN GASPER	350.60
CURTIS A. GREEN	2029.62
GAIL LEARY	1604.01
THOMAS L. SHAFFER	331.60
WILLIAM TALBOTT	1150.01
DEFERRED COMP	300.00
FEDERAL TAXES	2672.96
PERS	1407.07
DEPT OF REVENUE	371.00
MMIA	4258.00
MMIA	4853.00
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATION	250.91
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS (L)	106.39
AMERICAN EXPRESS	1649.20
BADGER METERS, INC	3774.00
BEACON BUSINESS CENTER	47.15
CURTIS GREEN	156.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	639.57
MADISON COUNTY FINANCE DEPT	1277.57
MONTANA BROOM AND BRUSH	97.88
MONTANA STATE LIBRARY	1627.68
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	308.00
NORTHERN ROCKY MOUNTAIN	200.00
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	2492.16
OVERDRIVE, INC	760.00
POSTMASTER	49.00
RE MILLER & SONS	2655.00

SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	75.15
SOUTH WEST SEPTIC	121.50
TAMI'S CLEANING SERVICE	100.00
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND	10.92
VERIZON WIRELESS	90.35
WALTER'S ACE HARDWARE	273.02
WATSON IRRIGATION SPECIALIST	974.40
WEX BANK	412.53
WILLIAM TALBOTT JR.	108.38
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC.	4.60
DEPT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY	31.00
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	20.00
ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS	1960.00
GAIL LEARY	24.99
KENWORTHY ELECTRIC, INC.	12.50
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	5466.20
POSTMASTER	280.00
MMIA-HEALTH	1793.28
TOTAL	47177.20

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Approved: Tom Shaffer, Mayor

Attest: Gail Leary, Clerk

