

Regular Town Council Meeting February 18, 2015 6:00 p.m.

A regular session of the Sheridan Town Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Derryberry at 6:00 pm. Council members Tom Shaffer, Paul Kramer, Mark McLaughlin, Nick Pairitz, public works Curt Green and Clerk Gail Leary were present.

Guests: Abigail Dennis, Macel Andersen, Ted Woirhaye.

Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from January 6, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Mark McLaughlin moved to approve the minutes as presented. Nick Pairitz seconded. No discussion. **Mayor Derryberry called the question for council members:** Tom Shaffer voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Nick Pairitz voting yes. The motion passed.

The delinquent and financial reports were reviewed by the council. Tom Shaffer moved to accept the reports as presented. Paul Kramer seconded. Discussion. **Mayor Derryberry called the question for council members:** Nick Pairitz voting yes, Tom Shaffer voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Mark McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passed.

Department Reports

Fire Department

Ted Woirhaye reported 48 runs on the response survey. 4 MVC, 3 cancelled, 4 fire alarm, 5 structure fire, 17 landing zones, 6 gas leaks, 5 grass fires, 1 rescue, 1 public assist, 2 other.

An ISO survey will be done on 02-20-15. This is the group that determines insurance ratings for the Town and district.

Rescue tools and a FLIR K- 50 thermal camera were purchased. Future training will be done with the rescue tools.

The annexation into the Rural district is in process. The SVFD needs a vote from the public of 40% population and 40% taxable value for it to pass.

The department is short on firefighters. 17 total. Ted did some numbers and if we had a paid fire department it would cost the taxpayers \$500,000 a year for just 1 station. The community needs to get involved.

Ted has met with each fire fighter individually and asked some questions as to why are you a fireman, what motivates you, incentives you would like to see, and the direction they would like to see the VFD go. The results will be tallied and shared with the Town.

Sheriff

Mayor Derryberry read the Madison County Sheriff's report for 52.75 hours. There were 2 suspicious circumstances, 1 accident, 2 animal problems, 1 citizen assist, 1 coroner call, 1 gas leak/odor/fire, 1 fraud, 1 traffic complaint, 2 unfounded 911 call, 1 welfare check and 3 civil service.

Library

Mayor Derryberry read the Library statistics for January 2015. The Library hosted a public gathering, which attracted a full house. Various people spoke about library services and activities. Phase 1 new addition has been walled and roofed. New children shelves have been added.

Public Works

Curt Green is checking into the maintenance on the blowers. He would like the maintenance person to come to Sheridan and then he would observe the checks needing to be done. He has contacted Able Wright. Discussion.

We do not have any backup for our lift station pumps. Curt feels there should be a plan in case of failure and so he is looking at contacting Advance Pump & Equipment out of Bozeman for the price of a new pump.

The picnic tables done.

Curt asked if it is acceptable for him to cross personal property for work. Yes.

Clerk

Gail asked the council to stop and fill out a new W4 for 2015.

Boards and Committees

MSIT

MDOT will be starting the Main Street project the second week in March 2015.

The annual meeting was held January 13th and MSIT expressed appreciation to councilmen Tom Shaffer and Nick Pairitz for attending. Officers will remain the same and goals were discussed.

Flower barrels will only be planted in the Main Street Park because of the road construction on Main. The skateboard issue is being referred to the Park district for a possible skateboard park.

The State director Tash Wisemiller is planning a visit to Sheridan in April. Time and place will be announced.

MSIT next meeting is March 5, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at Prudential Real Estate.

Public comment not on the agenda

None

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None

Business before the Council for Consideration

Old Business

Pledged securities for Town quarter ending 12-31-14

Paul reviewed the report from the Bank stating the Town’s securities. Our total deposits for December 2014 were \$846,697.41. FDIC Insurance coverage is \$250,000.00. Required pledged securities is \$298,348.71. At this time our pledged securities are \$428,255.14. Well over the requirement.

New Business

1. Fire Chief 2015

Mayor Derryberry reported that the Fire Dept re-elected Ted Woirhaye as Fire Chief for 2015 and the Town Council needs to approve the appointment.

2. Arbor Day proclamation April 22, 2015

The Mayor read the proclamation dedicating April 22 as Arbor Day in the Town of Sheridan. Curt asked the Tree Board if they would be able to meet in the near future. Tree Board is Tom Shaffer, Mark McLaughlin and Curt Green.

Business before the council for disposition.

1. *Fire Chief appointment 2015-Ted Woirhaye*

Mark McLaughlin motioned to accept Ted Woirhaye as Fire Chief for 2015. Tom Shaffer seconded the motion. No discussion. **Mayor Derryberry called the question of the council:** Tom Shaffer voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Nick Pairitz voting yes. All in favor, the motion passed.

Mayors Report

Mayor Derryberry recommended to the council to have our attorney get involved with the 18 acres below Boundary Street. A well has been drilled on the property recently and the mayor and past public works director talked with the owners in the past and told them they would not be allowed a septic and would need to hook on to the Town for water.

Curtis Green talked with the well driller. He was not aware it was in the town limits. The Mayor will discuss this with our attorney.

March 11 & 12th Dean will testify at the legislature for TSEP funding and the gas tax. The Montana mayors and city managers have been successful in saving these 2 programs in the past years.

Mark McLaughlin asked about the value work at Bradley’s and the warranty on this work. Discussion.

WARRANTS February 2015

DEAN DERRYBERRY	341.60
CURTIS A. GREEN	1597.75
GAIL LEARY	910.63
WILLIAM TALBOTT	1064.77
DEFERRED COMP.	300.00
FEDERAL TAX	2207.28
PERS	723.84
DEPT OF REVENUE	300.00
KRUER LAW FIRM, P.C.	6785.67
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATION	257.41
BEACON BUSINESS CENTER	45.00
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	808.00
IMOC LUMBER, INC.	144.60
KRUER LAW FIRM, P.C.	365.22
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	3730.06
US BANK TRUST SPA LOCKBOX CM9695	2535.06
WALTER’S ACE HARDWARE	458.64
WATSON IRRIGATION SPECIALIST, INC	2569.56
WEX BANK	207.44
POSTMASTER	185.00
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS (L)	97.28
AMERICAN EXPRESS	546.10
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC.	79.98
CURTIS GREEN	139.95
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	20.00
GREATER RV CHAMBER OF COMMERCE &	55.00
KRUER LAW FIRM, P.C.	911.53
MONTANA RAIL LINK INC.	100.00
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	308.00
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	9.30
SHERIDAN/ALDER PARK DISTRICT	4000.00

UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CENTER	5.46
VERIZON WIRELESS	105.21
MMIA	1672.60
TOTAL	33587.94

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13.m.

Attest: Gail Leary, Clerk

Approved: Dean Derryberry, Mayor

Executive Session

Call to order at 7:15 p.m.

Agenda: Personnel

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

