

Regular Town Council Meeting January 9, 2017 6:00 p.m.

A regular session of the Sheridan Town Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Shaffer at 6:00 p.m. Council members Mike Walter, Bob Stump, Mark McLaughlin, Paul Kramer, Public works Director Curtis Green and Clerk Ginger Galiger were present.

Guests: Roger Thompson, Eileen Pearce and Neil Lane were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The minutes from December 12, 2016 Town Council Meeting were reviewed. Paul Kremer moved to accept the previous minutes as presented. Mark McLaughlin seconded. Two corrections to be made under Public Works. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Paul Kramer voting yes, Bob Stump voting yes, Mike Walter voting yes and Mark McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passed.

The financial and delinquent reports were reviewed by the council. Mark McLaughlin moved to accept the reports as presented. Mike Walter seconded. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Paul Kramer voting yes, Bob Stump voting yes, Mike Walter voting yes and Mike McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passed.

Department Reports

Fire Department

Rahn Abbott reported December being a slow month with only one call out. Adam Powers applied for a Safer Grant to assist in training, retention and recruitment which will also help to track training hours for the department. The heater core has been rebuilt and is back in the truck. They are still working on getting the 501c3. Interim Fire Chief, Rahn Abbott announced that he will not be running for fire chief during the elections in January.

Sheriff

Sheriff Roger Thompson reviewed the 47.50 hours the Madison County Sheriff's office spent in Sheridan in the month of December 2016. It included 1 accident; 1 assault; 3 citizen assists; 1 coroner call; 1 disturbance; 1 missing person; 5 unfound 911 calls; 1 vandalism; 2 wildlife complaint. The traffic speed light that has been placed in Twin Bridges is meant to be moved around to different areas so the Town of Sheridan can now use it and place it where we feel fit.

Public Works

Curtis Green reported that the meter pit at the Laundromat froze up which caused them to not have water. DEQ will no longer purchase water but it is still recommended that the Town have water on hand at our own expense. Rural water school in Great Falls will be coming up in February which will help Curtis keep up on his CEU's. The Council supports Curtis attending.

Clerk

Clerk Ginger Galiger reported the AFR was submitted to the state on December 19th by Craig Shepherd. The auditor was here on January 4th. Safety driving class has been rescheduled until February 10th. This months safety topic was on slip and falls.

Boards and Committees

MSIT

Mayor Shaffer reported for Kathy Shepherd, the annual meeting to elect new officers for the MSIT will be held on 1/14/2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Episcopal Hall.

Park Board

Public comment not on the agenda

Eileen Pearce reported that the swimming pool will be making pizzas on February 4th so get your orders in and you can pick them up that night.

Public comment on the agenda

Tom Shaffer reminded the Council that the Town will need to renew the contract with the parks and pool board.

Business before the Council for Consideration

Old Business

1. Interim Subdivision Regulations

Great West took the Counties subdivision regulations and did not add to them but converted them to fit the Town of Sheridan. The Town of Sheridan can adopt the regulations until we can get a CDBG grant to do our own and incorporate a growth policy at that time.

2. Update on Corrosion Control

Collette Anderson came last week, DEQ has accepted our Corrosion Control Plan along with pulling pumps 2 and 3. The Town of Sheridan has 2 years, beginning January 5th, to have the corrosion control in place. If the Town has 2 water cycles of good sampling, we will not have to activate the plan but it has to be ready if the Town does have another lead exceedence level.

New Business

1. Discuss a waiver for connection to the Town's utilities on the Tolson Property for Neil Lane.

Neil Lane is in the process of purchasing 5.27 acres on the south side of the Tolson property. He would really like to utilize the current well of 58 feet deep running 20 gallons per minute and pay the additional cost of \$11,000 to get a septic system put in versus spending approximately \$26,000 to hook up to the Town's utilities.

Neil is here to request a waiver from hooking into the Town's utilities. Mayor Shaffer responded by letting Neil know there are 3 criteria's to meet when submitting a waiver form to DEQ. 1. If connection is not possible within the town. 2. The cost of the hook up is 3 times the price of digging a well/septic. 3. Have to be further than 500 feet from city services. Mayor Shaffer believes that DEQ would kick back the wavier as his situation does not meet the criteria.

The Council also discussed that with half of the infrastructure already in place, as the lots sold it was meant to be tied into the town as the town needs to continue growth to keep up with the costs. The question of annexation also came up and the council will have to look into that further.

2. Task order No. 5 with Great West - Liquid Chlorination System

Great West has submitted a task order in the amount of \$22,400 to design the liquid chlorination system. It would then be submitted to DEQ for approval. Mayor Shaffer agrees that we need to move forward and spend the money that was budgeted to have it done in this fiscal year. However, everyone agrees that this bid seems very high. We may put this system in and not have to use it but if the Town ever had a bacteria hit we would need to be able to chlorinate the water.

3. GIS mapping with Great West

GIS mapping is locating all of our property corners and lines on the towns infrastructure which would be very helpful and more accurate than using our old maps. Dan McCauley with Great West can apply to help us get a grant of \$22,000 that the Town would have to put in \$2000.

Business before the Council for Disposition

1. Interim Subdivision Regulations

Mark McLaughlin moves to accept the motion and Paul Kramer seconds it. **Mayor Shaffer called the question of the council:** Bob Stump voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes, Mike Walter voting yes and Mark McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passes.

2. Discuss a waiver for connection to the Town's utilities on the Tolson Property for Neil Lane.

Mark McLaughlin moves to not grant a waiver for the connection to the Towns utilities for the Tolson property. Bob Stump seconds it. **Mayor Shaffer called the question of the council:** Mike Walter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Bob Stump voting yes. The motion passes.

3. Task order No. 5 with Great West - Liquid Chlorination System

Mike Walter would like to TABLE the discussion until we can have the engineering costs reevaluated. The cost needs to be justified. Paul Kramer seconded. **Mayor Shaffer called the question of the council:** Mike Walter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Bob Stump voting yes. The motion passes.

4. GIS mapping with Great West

Paul Kramer moves to proceed with Great West to apply for a grant of \$22,000 along with the Town's contribution of up to \$2500 Mike Walter seconded. **Mayor Shaffer called the question of the council:** Mike Walter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Bob Stump voting yes. The motion passes.

Councils Report

Mark McLaughlin asked Curtis Green about the Fire Chief position. Curtis can be voted in as an interim Chief and he is the only candidate at this time. Mark has concerns about Curtis' involvement with the Fire Department while he is the Public Works Director.

Mayors Report

Mayor Shaffer informed the Council that he is resigning his position as Mayor at the close of tonight's meeting. He feels that the Town is headed in a healthy direction and thanked us all for the support he was given.

GINGER GALIGER	\$2,317.51
CURTIS A. GREEN	\$2,267.40
THOMAS L. SHAFFER	\$95.31
ROBERT C. STUMP	\$257.09
WILLIAM TALBOTT	\$1,336.40
GAIL LEARY	\$848.54
FEDERAL TAX-EFTPS	\$3,053.27
DEPT OF REVENUE	\$464.00
DEFERRED COMP	\$200.00
PERS	\$1,119.07
BRIDGER COMMUNICATIONS, INC	\$1,308.00
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATION	\$258.62
360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	\$50.00
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC.	\$184.81
ANDY'S SERVICE	\$231.21
DEPT OF AGRICULTURE/ SCIENCE DIVI	\$50.00
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	\$835.00
GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	\$2,499.91
MADISON COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT	\$1,300.74
POSTMASTER	\$217.00
SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	\$21.38

WALTER'S ACE HARDWARE	\$194.27
WEX BANK	\$371.25
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS (L)	\$228.13
CITI CARDS	\$1,491.99
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	\$239.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY-DECORATIVE LI	\$110.04
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	\$8.16
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$121.77
BEACON BUSINESS CENTER	\$49.95
KRUEER LAW FIRM, P.C.	\$72.80
MONTANA RURAL WATER SYSTEMS, INC	\$175.00
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	\$2,055.87
SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	\$226.81
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CE	\$5.46
YELLOWSTONE WATER WORKS	\$178.08
MQS, INC.	\$16,422.00
MMIA-HEALTH INSURANCE	\$1,343.15
TOTAL	\$42,208.99

Meeting adjourned 8:33 p.m.

Approved: Mayor Robert Stump

Attested: Clerk Ginger Galiger