

## **Regular Town Council Meeting October 17th, 2016 6:00 p.m.**

A regular session of the Sheridan Town Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Shaffer at 6:01 pm. Council members Paul Kramer, Bob Stump, Mark McLaughlin, Mike Walter, Public Works Director Curtis Green and Clerk Ginger Galiger were present.

Guests: Eileen Pearce, Roger Thompson, Kathy Shepherd, Sara Dunham, Rahn Abbott, and Charity Fechter

Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes from August 2nd 2016 Special Town Council Meeting were reviewed. Mike Walter moved to accept the minutes. Paul Kramer seconded. No further discussion. **Mayor Shaffer called the question for council members:** Paul Kramer voting yes, Mike Walter voting yes and Mark McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passed.

The minutes from September 12th 2016 Regular Town Council meeting were reviewed. Paul Kramer moved to accept the minutes as presented. Bob Stump seconded. No further discussion. **Mayor Tom Shaffer called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes, Paul Kramer voting yes and Bob Stump voting yes. The motion passed.

The minutes from September 20th 2016 Work Meeting were reviewed. Mark McLaughlin moved to accept the minutes. Mike Walter seconded. No further discussion. **Mayor Tom Shaffer called the question for council:** Mike Walter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Bob Stump voting yes. The motion passed.

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

### **Department Reports**

#### **Fire Department**

Rahn Abbott reported that the fire department responded to 2 calls in the month of September. DNRC is putting on a wildland refresher course in Twin Bridges. There will also be a regional training in January for EMS and fire training to help in hiring and retention. They would like to use the Town's facilities for the class work and old equipment for training. Everyone is in favor of this.

#### **Sheriff**

Sheriff Thompson reviewed the 66 hours the Madison County Sheriff's office spent in Sheridan for the month of September 2016. It included: 1 accident; 1 agency assist; 2 citizen assist; 2 disturbance calls; 3 suspicious person/circumstance; 1 theft; 1 threats/harassment; 1 traffic complaint; 3 unfounded 911 calls; 1 welfare check; 1 wildlife complaint.

#### **Library**

Tom read the September 2016 report. In September, the library received over 80 boxes of books from Harry Odden. Eileen Pearce also reported that the Library is trying to go forward with the CDBG grant and will be interviewing 3 architects and they are scheduled to hold 3 public meetings as well.

#### **Public Works**

Curtis reported that if and when the Town puts in the phosphate system and chlorinating the water begins, he will be using liquid chlorination instead of the gas that has been used in the past. This is much safer for the operator. Curtis just delivered 8 more water samples to the lab. Mayor Shaffer also reported that he will be meeting with a representative from MQS tomorrow on a proposal for the new sewer shop. All of the parks have been winterized for the year.

### **Boards and Committees**

#### **MSIT**

Kathy Shepherd reported that the replacement lamp should be shipped November 14th. Kathy also brought a letter to the Council expressing their concern about the commercial business sign that was approved by the council to be placed in the Main Street Public Park and is asking that the Town Council consider enacting an ordinance to prohibit future commercial signage in The Main Street City Park. New winter banners have been ordered. MSIT will decorate for the Christmas stroll if there is one this year. Macel Anderson usually takes charge of that event and she will not be here.

#### **Park Board**

Tom Shaffer reported that the Pool Board wants to have a community meeting to discuss the future needs of the pool and baseball field improvements prior to spring.

#### **Public comment not on the agenda**

None

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None

### **Business before the Council for Consideration**

#### ***Old Business***

##### *1. Update on 101 E. Hamilton Property*

Mayor Shaffer reported that Mark LaYacome has submitted the paperwork but it has not been finalized, its still in the process.

2. *Update on Moore Lane*

Fred from Great West has submitted the proposal for the easement. The property owner is willing to entertain the request.

**New Business**

1. *Ennis is requesting a seat on the Madison County Planning Board*

The Madison County Planning Director, Charity Fechter, came to the meeting tonight to explain why Ennis is requesting a seat on the Madison County Planning Board. The Ennis City Planning Board lacks the volunteers needed to maintain their own board. In order for them to move forward the Town of Sheridan and The Town of Twin Bridges have to be in agreement. The Town of Sheridan also needs to adopt the 2014 subdivision regulations as they currently are very out of date. Charity also suggests that the Town Council review the Interlocal Agreement. Discussion.

2. *Safety Program*

The Montana Department of Labor & Industry did a Safety /Health Inspection- Town of Sheridan, Water/Wastewater Facilities on September 22, 2016. In order for The Town of Sheridan to be in compliance we need to get a safety program up and running. Ginger has been in touch with MMIA and they will assist us in doing so. Mayor Shaffer has also been in touch with the County and we can participate in their training courses free of charge. Curtis will be going to a training tomorrow on herbicides. Other violations have been corrected.

**Business before the council for disposition.**

1. *Ennis is requesting a seat on the Madison County Planning Board*

Paul Kramer moved to support the additional seat on the Madison County Planning Board. Bob Stump seconded the motion. **Mayor Shaffer called the question of the council:** Mike Walter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes, Bob Stump voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

**Council Report**

Mayor Tom Shaffer reported that after the first of the year we will be looking to hire another FT Public Works person.

**Mayor's Report**

Proposed Town Shop as discussed. Would like to add an over hang to the initial drawings as a cover for the snow plow.

GINGER GALIGER	2321.33
CURTIS A. GREEN	1988.59
GAIL LEARY	659.70
THOMAS L. SHAFFER	331.20
WILLIAM TALBOTT	1268.46
DEFERRED COMP	200.00
EFTPS FED TAX	2898.59
PERS	1616.49
DEPT OF REVENUE	425.00
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATION	269.73
ALLHANDS AUTO CLINIC, LLC	3951.28
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	70.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	59.28
MADISON COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT	1300.74
SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	58.12
WALTER'S ACE HARDWARE	202.33
WEX BANK	231.33
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS (L)	109.29
360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	50.00
CAL WARD CONSTRUCTION LLC	100.00
CITI CARDS	1452.38
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALI	810.00
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	140.00
GINGER GALIGER	36.84
MMCT & FOA	50.00
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	239.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY-DECORATIVE LI	72.37
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	2309.79
SOUTH WEST SEPTIC	318.50
STERNBERG LIGHTING	669.00
TAMI'S CLEANING SERVICE	100.00
TOM SHAFFER	485.72
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CE	10.92
VERIZON WIRELESS	121.83
WILLIAM TALBOTT JR.	130.91
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	20.00
KRUEER LAW FIRM, P.C.	327.60
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	3757.86
VOLT ELECTRIC, LLC	431.56
WILLIAM BRANT	69.36
JOSEPH NOTTINGHAM	122.00

MMIA HEALTH INSURANCE  
TOTAL

1343.15  
31130.25

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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Approved: Tom Shaffer, Mayor

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Attest: Ginger Galiger, Clerk