

## **Regular Town Council Meeting June 12, 2017 6:00 p.m.**

A regular session of the Sheridan Town Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert Stump at 6:05 p.m. Council members Mike Walter, Paul Kramer, Pete Rossiter, Mark McLaughlin, Public works Director Curtis Green and Clerk Ginger Galiger were present.

Guests: Sergeant Craig Schroder, Deputy Chris Sturgill, Eileen Pearce, Caitlin Avey and Rahn Abbott were present.

Pledge of Allegiance

The minutes from May 15, 2017 regular Town Council Meeting were reviewed. Mike Walter moved to accept the minutes as presented. Pete Rossiter seconded. No Discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Paul Kramer voting yes, Mike Walter voting yes and Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin abstained. The motion passed.

The financial and delinquent reports were reviewed by the council. Paul Kramer moved to accept the reports as presented. Mark McLaughlin seconded. No Discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Paul Kramer voting yes, Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes and Mark McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passed.

### **Department Reports**

#### **Fire Department**

Fire Chief Curtis Green reported they have gone on 58 runs so far for this calendar year. The department has put in 1200 hours of training and calls combined. We need to be looking into setting money aside each year to be able to replace the fire truck which is currently over 20 years old. The cost of a new truck is about \$400,000. and the cost of a new brush truck is approximately \$75,000. Discussion on purchasing used trucks. Curtis will also have a discussion with the Rural Fire Board. The fire department is now down 2 volunteers.

#### **Sheriff**

Sergeant Craig Schroder introduced Deputy Chris Sturgill to the Council and then reviewed the 89.75 hours the Madison County Sheriff's office spent in Sheridan in the month of May 2017. It included 1 Traffic Complaint; 4 Unfounded 911 calls and 1 VIN Inspection. Mark McLaughlin asked about people making a u-turn on the double yellow lines and parking on a yellow painted curbs. We were told without signs posted people cannot be sited unless they cause an accident in doing so.

#### **Library**

Mayor Stump read the monthly director's report. Friends will host Humanities Montana speaker Hal Stearns on Sunday June 25th at 7:00 p.m. for a program on small towns in Montana and the factors which contribute to their survival or disappearance. On Sunday July 9th the Friends will host wolverine researcher and wildlife photographer Kalon Baughan for a program on wolverines.

#### **Public Works**

Curtis Green reported that a new pump has been put in well 1 and a water sample has been brought in so we should have that well back on line next week. Wells 3 and 5 are also on line, running an average of 270-290 gallons per minute. The town still needs to look at a new well in a new location. Mark agrees that finding a new location is important and the need of additional storage. A seismic professional is coming to help us with finding a location. We Dust will be here on June 30th, the roads will be bladed once the roads dry out. It was suggested to call the County to do the grading.

#### **Clerk**

None

### **Boards and Committees**

#### **MSIT**

Mayor Stump reported that he and John Hammerman met with the committee to discuss the idea of putting a museum in the old theater. MSIT was in support of it and thought it was a good idea.

#### **Park District**

Eileen Pearce reported the opening of the pool will be Friday, June 16th with a free BBQ and swim from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**Public Comment not on the agenda** - none

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

#### **Old Business**

1. *Second reading for adoption of revised Water & Sewer Ordinance #118.*

Mayor Stump reviewed the changes that were suggested by Attorney Stephanie Kruer. In Section 9(1) add attorney's fees to the description of cost. Section 7(e) and section 20 change the word "consumer" to "user." In Section 25 change the word "perimeters" to "parameters."

2. *Review bids for Moore Lane*

Bids were requested from Randy Brown, JDL and Pete Allhands Excavation. Allhands Excavation is the only bid the town received and it was for \$65,400. The issue now is we have not been able to locate Dan Moore for the original document to grant the town the easement. Without the original document the attorney cannot file it with the County. Hopefully we can move forward with the project in August.

### *3. Property behind 101 E. Hamilton*

The property issued had been tabled during last council meeting and there has been no further discussion between the two owners. Pete Rossiter suggested an agreement be written up that would release the Town of any liability.

## ***New Business***

### *1. Lagoon Grazing Plan*

Mayor Stump reviewed the letter that was brought in by Rodney Braaten regarding the grazing of the cattle by the lagoon site. He has approximately 15 cows. The town does not receive payment for this but Rodney maintains the electric fences and the cows keep the weeds down. Curtis reported there has been no problems in the past.

### *2. Approval of Library Board Member*

The Board of Trustees of the Sheridan Library requests the Mayor and Town Council appoint Jamie Janosko to the Board. The Library Board made an unanimous decision on April 11, 2017

### *3. WWC Engineering*

The master service agreement and schedule of charges from Western Water Consultants were reviewed and discussed. Mayor Stump is not anticipating dropping Great West, he would like to see them complete the current tasks that they have been working on. Their communications and timeliness has been very slow. Therefore, he has been looking into WWC Engineering to help us obtain a grant to do our growth policy and a new well.

### *4. Resolution to amend the 2016-2017 budget appropriations*

Ginger Galiger read Resolution 2017-1 to augment the budget for the 2016-2017 budget year. Mark McLaughlin questioned the Police Reserve funds. Ginger will go back over that fund to be sure of accuracy.

## **Business before the Council for Disposition**

### *1. Second reading for adoption of revised Water & Sewer Ordinance #118*

Mark McLaughlin moves to suspend the oral reading and accept Ordinance #118 with the changes from Stephanie Kruer. Paul Kramer seconded the motion. No further discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Paul Kramer voting yes, Mike Walter voting no, Pete Rossiter voting yes and Mark McLaughlin voting yes. The motion passed.

### *2. Review bids for Moore Lane*

Pete Rossiter moved to accept the \$65,400. bid that was submitted by Allhands Excavation for the Moore Lane sewer project. Mike Walter seconded. Discussion on why the others did not bid on the project. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

### *3. Property behind 101 E. Hamilton*

Paul Kramer moved to take the discussion of property 101 E. Hamilton off the table. Pete Rossiter seconded. No further discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

### *4. Lagoon Grazing Plan*

Paul Kramer moves to accept the grazing plan brought to us by Rodney Braaten for another year. Mike Walter seconded. No further discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

### *5. Approval of Library Board Member*

Paul Kramer moves to approve Jamie Janosko to the Library Board. Pete Rossiter seconded. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

### *6. WWC Engineering*

Mike Walter moves to appoint WWC Engineering on a trial basis to help us with the grant to go forward with our growth policy and a new well. Pete Rossiter seconded. Mayor Stump and Curtis Green will be meeting with Jeff Barron on the 16th for additional discussion. No further discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

### *7. Resolution to amend the 2016-2017 budget appropriations*

Mark McLaughlin moves to accept Resolution 2017-1, Mike Walter seconded. No further discussion. **Mayor Stump called the question for council members:** Mike Walter voting yes, Pete Rossiter voting yes, Mark McLaughlin voting yes and Paul Kramer voting yes. The motion passed.

## **Councils Report**

Mike Walter asked about water restrictions. Not at this time, once the sample tests are back we will be able to get the well back on line. He also asked if the town has purchased another back up pump. No. Mark McLaughlin is not happy about the attempt to widen some of the roads and feels that the town has not been transparent in their actions and what money is being spent. It is important for the council members to be aware, so they can answer the questions of the public. Mayor Stump does tries to keep everyone up to date.

## **Mayors Report**

Mayor Stump will be going to Missoula in the morning for a budget training session. There has been a problem with vandalism in the baseball park. There appears to be a small group of kids that turns on the

water in the sandbox and leaves it running all night. the rumor around town is that the Town of Sheridan is raising their water rates. This statement is not true.

**Warrants June 2017**

GINGER GALIGER	2391.85
CURTIS A. GREEN	2193.30
BENJAMIN HITCHCOCK	2702.04
ROBERT C. STUMP	212.40
WILLIAM TALBOTT	1286.48
DEFERRED COMP	100.00
FEDERAL TAX EFTPS	3462.86
PERS	2053.45
DEPT OF REVENUE	551.00
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	70.00
FRONTLINE AG SOLUTIONS, LLC	1101.41
GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	4236.00
LEE'S OFFICE CITY	375.00
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	288.43
PIONEER EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY	72.05
POSTMASTER	116.00
S.J. PERRY COMPANY	123.86
SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	87.86
US BANK-Spa Lockbox	8788.75
WALTER'S ACE HARDWARE	254.89
WALTER'S IGA	34.64
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATION	257.52
BEAVERHEAD GLASS	221.00
BRIAN MCPARLAND	290.00
COONEY'S LOCKSMITH	300.00
DEQ-PERMITTING & COMPLIANCE	210.00
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL	22.99
LEAK LOCATORS OF MONTANA LLC	5180.68
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY-DECORATIVE LI	51.03
NORTHWESTERN ENGERY-SEWER	1936.17
PIONEER EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY	72.05
SHERIDAN/ALDER PARK DISTRICT	4000.00
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CE	18.20
3 RIVERS COMMUNICATIONS (L)	108.33
360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	187.18
BEACON BUSINESS CENTER	29.55
BRADLEY LIVESTOCK LC	1282.64
BROWN CONTRACTING HEATING & PLUMB	3510.00
CITI CARDS	870.56
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	60.00
MADISON COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT	1358.00
NORTH WESTERN ENERGY	322.00
NORTHWESTERN ENERGY	4085.86
RE MILLER & SONS	2625.00
ROBERT STUMP	198.25
ROCKY MOUNTAIN SUPPLY	500.00
TAMI'S CLEANING SERVICE	100.00
VERIZON WIRELESS	121.83
POSTMASTER	136.00
MMIA HEALTH INSURANCE	1387.15
STATE OF MT DEPT OF UI	119.40
MMIA WORK COMP	1208.03
360 OFFICE SOLUTIONS	50.00
ADVANCED PUMP & EQUIPMENT	805.85
ENERGY LABORATORIES INC.	300.00
FRONTLINE AG SOLUTIONS, LLC	15.90
GREAT WEST ENGINEERING	10122.82
SHERIDAN AUTO PARTS INC	16.00
THE MADISONIAN LLC	165.00
WEX BANK	1190.14
TOTAL	73937.40

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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Approved: Mayor Robert Stump

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Attested: Clerk Ginger Galiger