

July 9, 2019 Regular Council Meeting @ 104 West 9th Ave.

Council members in attendance were Scott Holbrook and Joe Willauer. Absent were JB Klyap, Nolan Frandsen and Matt Greemore. Also in attendance were Mayor Tom Hyndman and Clerk/Treasurer Kristi Millhouse. Council listened to reports and rescheduled meeting to 7:00 am, Monday, July 15, 2019 for items that needed action taken.

Guests: Hoyt Walker (Twin Bridges Volunteer Fire Dept.), Pat Bradley (Madison County Planning Board), Alex Hogel (Madison County Planning Board, Rand Bradley, Joy Day, Patty Hayes, Cindy Adams and Esther Lince (SW Prevention)

Public Comment: No comments

Fire Department WC Rates: Scott commented that the fire department decided to hold on the presumptive coverage. They would like to wait a year and see how it affects other Towns.

Fire Department Building: Hoyt Walker asked if it would possible for the Fire Department to purchase the building that is currently occupied. Discussion occurred regarding the size of the building. Tom commented that 3 Rivers Communication owns part of the ground by the Old Hotel. If the fire department purchased the building, it would help the Town pay for a new Town Hall and office building.

SW Prevention: Cindy Adams and Esther Lince are drug and alcohol specialists hired to work in Madison County. They are working on bring drug and alcohol education into Madison County Schools. Twin, Harrison, and Alder are all on board with the program. They wanted to attend the council meeting to acquire community support and they want to be active in community activities.

Esther Lince talked about a few of the upcoming activities that will be happening. There will be a powering parenting class offered in Sheridan and Ennis. Available to parents or grandparents (whoever is the parent) for grades 9 thru 12. The class will help parents deal with alcohol and substance abuse at home. It is a seven week long course, once a week for approximately two hours.

There is a website for parents called Parenting Montana.org. This website was designed by the State with info for children at Kindergarten age on up. The goal is for children to be healthy and succeed. They are trying to work with DUI task force. There is no DARE program in the County, but they are also working on that as well.

Sheriff's Report – No report.

Madison County Planning Board – Pat Bradley introduced Alex Hogle the new director of the Madison County Planning Board. Pat discussed a few items on the planning board's report that is affecting Big Sky. Fire prevention being a big priority. There is nothing currently affective Twin Bridges.

Alex Hogle commented that he was hired in April and worked remotely for about a month. He has been doing planning work for about 20 years. Worked for Lake County and Flathead Count for several years. Willing to commit to 3 years and see how things go. Discussion occurred with Alex about his experience.

Library: No representative present.

Attorney Report – Nothing to report. Tom asked about contract for Keith Perry as we are behind on that project. Attorney Harshbarger commented that she will get a hold of Sam this week and get it put together.

Past due water account: Attorney would like some direction on what action the council would like her to take.

Maintenance Report: Tom reported that Sam will be back tomorrow, Wednesday. Tom reported that all equipment is back. Tom commented that they maintenance crew would like to get some extra help for the summer when the guys get busy with their projects. Will need to possibly hire someone to do some excavation work for the storm drains. Discussion occurred regarding hiring another employee for the summer. Council would like to know what it would cost and if we have the money in the budget.

Tezak Industries has called about doing the electrical work for the shop.

Mayor's Report: Spoke to the Twin Bridges Park District about a splash park. They are looking at putting the splash park over by Riverside Park by the playground/soccer field. Mid-size with a lot of fountains. Patty asked about putting it at Jessen Park. Tom commented that they discussed it. State is actually looking at changing the entry way and we are not allowed to put anything permanent on the

ground the State owns. Patty asked if the Town could do a community fund raiser. Yes. Joe said to talk to RaeAnn Dutton out of Dillon as she was instrumental in setting up the splash park in Dillon. Setting up the splash park would be around \$30,000 to \$40,000. Discussion occurred regarding the splash park.

Cell Tower Update: Tom Talked to Brian at AT&T and they are not willing to put the tower at the lagoon, as they don't feel the ground would be stable enough. The best spot is in Town over by the shop. They are working on a contract with American Cell and they can put their equipment on the tower up at Bear Gulch.

Discussion occurred regarding other ways to communicate with public.

Discussion occurred regarding the floodplain ordinance and the survey of the dike.

Meeting closed at 8:10 pm.

ATTEST

Signature On File

Thomas O. Hyndman

Kristi Millhouse Clerk/Treasurer