

## **May 10, 2022, Regular Council Meeting**

Council members in attendance were Scott Holbrook, Jordan High, Matt Greemore, JB Kylap, and Nolan Frandsen. Also in attendance were Mayor Patricia Hayes, Clerk/Treasurer Kristi Millhouse, and Maintenance Supervisor Sam Novich.

**Guests:** Pat Bradley (Madison County Planning Board)

Mayor Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment (Non-agenda Items): No Comments.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

*Opportunity Bank (Temp Building and Wastewater/Water hookup):* Council member Matt Greemore gave information regarding Opportunity Banks temporary building and the bank wanting to put in a sewage storage tank. Matt has spoken to the president of the bank Cleve Witham explained that the storage tank would not be allowed. There is an old sewer line underneath the grass that Sam can locate for the bank to use. The bank will run a hose from their frost-free hydrant to the building. Sam has a meeting with the project manager on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss the sewer and water connections.

Matt made a motion to put in a temporary wastewater connection for Opportunity Bank. Opportunity bank will pay the \$600 connection fee plus the monthly sewer and water rate. Nolan seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

*Building Application – Jason George (503 N. Madison St):* Council reviewed the building application for Jason George. Discussion occurred regarding the setbacks. Scott made a motion to approve the building application for Jason George. Nolan seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Matt requested that we discuss property line compliancy on future building projects in the Building Ordinance.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

*Town Hall:* Patty commented that she is going to leave the Town Hall on the agenda until we come up with a solution. Discussion of a building occurred. Nolan will contact Kaleb Harbor to find out if they are interested in selling the building across the street from Town Hall and who would make that decision.

### **REPORTS**

*Sheriff's Report:* Written report received. Sheriff not present.

*Madison County Planning Board:* Pat Bradley was present for the Planning Board. A report was provided by Pat regarding what is happening with the planning board. Currently they do not have a director for the Planning Board they are still searching for one. There are new subdivision plans being reviewed in Big Sky, Sheridan, and Ennis. There is some opposition on a couple of them. There continues to be nothing happening for the Town of Twin Bridges.

*Library Director's Report:* Written report received.

*Attorney's Report:* No Report

*Mayor's Report:* Employee Wages and Insurance Rates – Mayor Hayes discussed the rates for employees on this upcoming FY22-23 budget. The insurance rates for health insurance went down this year. We are looking at paying \$700 for insurance, last year it was \$743. Health insurance rates have decreased for FY22-23. We are also looking at doing a cost-of-living increase of 7.5%. Discussion occurred. Jordan made a motion to approve the \$700 for insurance and 7.5% pay increase. Scott seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

*Maintenance Report:* Sam gave a report on the Stormdrain Project. The contractor is having issues with the ground water, and it all is pooling at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This could work itself out or it could be come an expensive fix. When the plans were put together Great West did not Geotech it which was to save the Town some money. Discussion occurred regarding the water issues and solutions for in the future. We need to wait until the project is complete and then we can address some of these issues. The contractor hit three water lines. Sam has been watching the lines and nothing has been hit while he is there. There is going to be a change order from the Contractor for the water lines and issues for

shutting down. Great West will review the change order and then will have Council review and approve. There will be some added cost.

Second issue is the pit-run gravel that we had in stock. We have used all the gravel that was stored at the shop and out at Dennis and Joy Day's property. We have hauled in two hundred yards from Lasich's gravel pit and are looking at needing another three hundred yards to finish. We do not want to get behind the contractor on the gravel. The contractor will charge us for additional gravel, and we will have another change order.

Third issue is there is tree causing issue on 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It is a golden willow, and it is only five feet from where the man hole is going to be placed. The contractor will not be able to get the equipment in to dig with the tree being so close. Sam's plan is to cut the willow down and then RE Miller can pull the stump out when they are digging. There are three tree stumps at Wayne Miller's that need the stumps removed also. They will be approximately \$300 per tree.

*Safety Report:* Hearing Safety video sent out for month of May.

*Clerk's Report:* Clerk/Treasurer Kristi Millhouse gave a report to the council regarding the Clerks institute that she attended May 1<sup>st</sup> through the fifth. She also provided upcoming training dates. June 1<sup>st</sup> and second are the Summits. June 1<sup>st</sup> is in Butte and the second is in Belgrade. Montana League of Cities and Towns will be in Kalispell this year October 4<sup>th</sup> through the 6<sup>th</sup>. Executive training will be in Helena in March.

We will be needing to look at our Marijuana Ordinance and add more regulations to it. Discussion occurred. The Town is also going to need to put cyber security policies together for our cyber insurance coverage requirements.

*Claims Approval:* Nolan made a motion to approve claims checks 21614 to 21640 and 89741 to 89742 and payroll checks 88498 to 88526. Scott seconded motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

*Minutes:* Matt made a motion to approve the minutes for April 10<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. JB seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **COUNCIL REVIEW**

Ordinances – Air BNB's, Building for property lines, Water and Sewer and Marijuana.

Matt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm. JB seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

ATTEST:

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Kristi Millhouse, Town Clerk/Treasurer

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Patricia Hayes, Mayor