

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ELK MOUNTAIN TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016**  
**IN THE TOWN HALL COMPLEX**

- CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Irene called the meeting to order at 6:34P.M. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- ROLL CALL: Council Members present at roll call:  
Cm. Joseph Grillo  
Cm. Angie Hobbs  
Cm. Robert Meyer  
Absent Cm. John Page  
Also Present: Linda Crane, Clerk/Treasurer
- CITIZENS/VISITORS: Bill Sherwood, Al Santilli
- APPROVE AGENDA: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the agenda;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried.
- APPROVE MINUTES: Mayor Irene asked for approval of the January 11, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. The Mayor requested the first line of the SCWEMS report be struck. **Cm. Grillo made a motion to approve the January 11, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended;** Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried.
- CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL: No audience participation.
- REPORTS: Reports were given by Fire Dept., SCWEMS, Water Dept., Zoning, Public Works Dept., HCJPB, Park Board, Cemetery Board, Museum Board, Juvenile Services, CCEDB, CCVC, CCCOG, LEPC
- Fire Dept.: Cm Meyer reported to the Council that they have had 5 calls for varying reasons this last month. He said department was planning some upcoming training. There was a discussion on the road closures and how it can affect calls.
- SCWEMS: Bill Sherwood told the Council that Elk Mountain Station was offered one of the new ambulances but they declined. The crew is happy with the unit they are running now. Mayor Irene attended a meeting in Medicine Bow over the JPB agreement. He reported there was a large crowd in attendance. There was discussion on changing items in the agreement with the majority of attendees agreeing that these items needed to be addressed in the JPB by-laws not the agreement. The two items in question were board members from an entity that are over 6 months behind in their payments to the service lose their voting privileges until the money is paid. The second item gives the entity the right to remove their representative if they feel the representative is not doing their job. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to direct Melisa Sikes, the town's representative to vote at the JPB meeting to make the changes to the by-laws to reflect a board member losing their voting rights until their entities payments are made and the right of an entity to remove their representative if they feel they aren't being properly represented;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried. With the Medicine Bow Council having a quorum in attendance they voted to sign the JPB agreement.
- Water Department: Water Superintendent Eastman was not in attendance. The Mayor reported that they received the new Solar Bee mixer. Timberline Electric is setting up a time to come and connect the internet into the SCADA. Clerk Crane has received the information needed to start the rate study for the utilities.
- Zoning: Nothing to Report
- Public Works: Public Works Director Rory Neuman was not in attendance but sent the Mayor his report. The sewer is having some ground water infiltration. He is trying to track down service records on the backhoe. Neuman damaged a resident's fence when plowing snow. He contacted the resident and told him he would help repair the damage when the weather was better. He reported that he didn't get the trash picked up because of the time it took for snow removal and he had to leave for training in Cheyenne. The Mayor told the Council they had received an email from the hotel about trash pickup.
- HCJPB: Representative Grillo told the Council that the HCJPB had to cancel their meeting and reschedule so there was no report. The JPB will be meeting with WDEQ on the 11<sup>th</sup> in Hanna for the first of their bi-monthly meetings.
- Park Board: The ice rink is done and being used.
- Cemetery Board: No Report.

Museum Board: Clerk Crane read the minute of their last meeting. Bill Jones said he would accept another term with the Board. Clerk Crane completed the CCSD#2 Recreation Board Grant for 2016. The Board has decided to hire a seasonal employee to operate the museum from May 28<sup>th</sup> through September 5<sup>th</sup>. The museum has entered the State Artifact Contest with the Muskrat coat and hat exhibit. People will be able to go online to vote for which entry is their favorite.

Juvenile Services: No Report.

CCEDB: No report. Town is still looking for a representative.

CCVC: Board Member Crane told the Council the CCVC next meeting will be in Saratoga February 17<sup>th</sup>. Crane told the Council that tourism in Wyoming had increased in 2015 up 4.2% with 10.5 million people visiting the state. Travel spending grew to \$3.4 billion generating \$175M in local and state tax revenue. The Governor's conference is in Cheyenne February 21-22<sup>nd</sup>. Training is sponsored by the Wyoming Restaurant and Lodging Association and the State Tourism Board. The Visitors Council put together a package for the silent auction which included items from Carbon County. In January the Council attended the International Sportsman Expo in Denver. They shared a booth with Jackson, Wyoming and Game and Fish. Lodging tax revenue has already exceeded the projected budgeted amount for FY2015-16.

CCCOG: No Report.

LEPC: Cm. Grillo reported he and Cm. Meyer attended the tabletop exercise on Ebola. The regular meetings will be the 2nd Thursdays of the month.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Crane said there was a correction in the utility deposit with a transfer from the general fund for \$120.00. **Cm. Grillo made a motion to approve the January Treasure's Report;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried

**BILLS TO BE PAID:** Treasurer Crane recommended ratifying and approving bills to be paid in the amount of \$17,368.05. **Cm. Meyer motioned to ratify and pay the bills from January 12<sup>th</sup> thru February 8<sup>th</sup> in the amount of \$17,368.05;** Cm. Hobbs seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Rawlins National Bank, Carbon County Attorney, WAM-JPIC, Homeland Security, Town of Medicine Bow, Federal Communication Commission, Carbon Power & Light, Inc., Elk Mountains Best 4-H Club

**OLD BUSINESS:** Community Center/Phase 1 Update: There was discussion on the bids received for the Public Works Building. Mayor Irene will be meeting with the engineering firm to talk about the reason the bids were so high. **Cm. Grillo made a motion to table the bid approval/rejections for the Public Works Building Bids;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried. Crane reported she had heard from Reed Brannon that he is in communication with the donors for the library renovation. She also said that the deadline for the Community Center grant has passed and will wait to see how the legislature funds Wyoming Business Council and the basic economic climate of the state before proceeding with any grant writing.

Federal Communications Commission: The Town received their notice of violation for interference with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration that impacted the Search and Rescue Satellite Aided Tracking system. The Town complied with the notice by correcting the problem immediately.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Appointment of Judy Redding to the HCJPB to fill an unexpired term through June 2017: Mayor Irene appointed Judy Redding to the HCJPB as the town's representative starting March 1, 2016. The Mayor accepted the resignation of Cm Hobbs from the HCJPB. He thanked Angie for all the work she did representing the town and the HCJPB.

Appointment of Bill Jones to the Elk Mountain Museum Board for a 3 year term: Mayor Irene appointed Bill Jones to the Elk Mountain Museum Board for a 3 year term.

Carbon County Fair Book Ad: **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to purchase an ad in the Carbon County Fair Book for \$15.00;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried.

Executive Session: **Cm. Grillo made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal matters at 7:40PM;** Cm Meyer seconded motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to exit Executive Session at 8:00PM;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried. **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to approve the minutes of the Executive Session seal and file;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried. **Cm. Meyer made a motion to file in small claims court for damage and legal fees incurred on the overhead garage door at the Public Works Building;** Cm. Grillo seconded the motion; Council Poll; Cm. Grillo Aye, Cm. Hobbs Aye, Mayor Irene Aye, Cm. Meyer Aye, Cm. Page Absent, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, **Cm. Hobbs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08PM;** Cm. Meyer seconded the motion, all Council Members present voting Aye none Opposed.

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Clerk

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Mayor