Agenda

Town Council Meeting

September 13, 2022

7:00p.m.

In Attendance: Mayor Rose Arndt, Council – Theresa Lewis, Demont Grandy, Shane Viehweg, Colby Peck, Public Works – Mike Duran, Chief Eric Whitehead, Clerk Jody Harmon, Attorney Dean Stout

Kevin Payne, Fred Roberts, Elbert Harmon, Carl Lindberg, BranDee Prows, Savannah Hansel, Lois Garlitz, Wayne Harmon, Larry Lewis, Engineer Ben Jordan, Sherry Vandermuss, Ken Dietz, Bryli Groll, Alek Gilmore, Doug & Janet Prows, Dennis & Teri Nate, Robbie Arndt, Taylor Allred, Jamie Custer, Charles Dayton, Jan Moody

1. Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01p.m.
2. The Mayor presented a new agenda that had time limits and had deleted the Department reports for Councilmen and Councilwomen, only the police report and public works report were on the new agenda. This agenda was different than the one sent out the previous week. A motion by Councilman Grandy to adoption the new agenda seconded by Colby. Discussion was made that each councilman and woman had items in their department to be discussed. A vote was taken with 4 no votes by Council and 1 yes vote by Mayor Arndt to not adopt the new agenda.

Mayor Arndt called for a 5 min recess to allow emotions to be brought under control. Mayor Arndt called to reconvene the meeting at 7:14p.m.

A motion to adopt the new agenda by Councilman Grandy seconded by Councilman Peck, 4 no votes by Council and 1 yes vote by Mayor Arndt.

Attorney Stout advised that this is a regular meeting and there is no state statute that gives the mayor the power to set the agenda. The Mayor is the presiding officer and the agenda can be modified or remove issues on the agenda.

Motion by Councilman Grandy to approve the agenda with the way it has been done in the past and to include Item #12 on the new agenda. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Elbert Harmon suggested to the Mayor and Council to approve the agenda so that the town business can be conducted.

Motion to amend Councilman Grandy’s motion by Councilman Peck seconded by Councilwoman Lewis the approve the original agenda. 4 yes votes by Council members and 1 no vote by Mayor Arndt

1. Prayer given by Councilman Grandy
2. Pledge by Councilman Viehweg
3. Consent Agenda

a). Motion to approve the Aug. 19, 2022 Town Council Meeting minutes by Councilman Grandy seconded by Councilwoman Lewis. Passed unanimously Motion to approve Aug 19, 2022 minutes with amendments by Councilman Peck seconded by Councilwoman Lewis. Passed

b). Motion by Councilman Grandy seconded by Councilman Peck to approve the accounts payable and payroll for August, 2022. Passed unanimously

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| Adapco | $5,627.65 | All West Communications | $821.46 |
| Caselle | $965.00 | Coca Cola | $45.00 |
| E Dean Stout | $2,550.00 | Executech | $36.45 |
| First Bankcard | $7,929.12 | Forsgren | $10,184.25 |
| Gunderson Ace | $413.35 | Hastings | $2,295.43 |
| IDAWY | $114.75 | Kemmerer Gazette | $170.10 |
| Lincoln County | $842.00 | Motorola Solutions | $400.00 |
| Mountainland Supply | $265.20 | Norus Glass | $395.00 |
| RelaDyne | $2,466.55 | Rocky Mountain Power | $4,720.11 |
| Scott Thomas | $300.00 | Staples | $357.95 |
| Surveyor Scherbel | $4,500.00 | SVI Media | $247.25 |
| UCPower | $399.00 | Valley Wide | $490.00 |
| Verizon | $564.20 | Waxie | $357.04 |
| WARWs | $219.00 | Dept of Workforce Service | $477.65 |
| WEBT | $6,338.98 | Xerox | $262.62 |
| Payroll | $19,416.81 | Retirement | $3,045.05 |
| EFTPS | $5,214.28 |  |  |

1. Bryli Groll the Jr Class President at Cokeville Highschool, addressed the Mayor and Council asking permission for the upcoming homecoming activities. They would like to paint main street by the park, reserve the park for the pot luck dinner, light the C on big hill, use the city property by the shop to have a bonfire. Motion by Councilman Peck seconded by Councilman Viehweg to approve the homecoming activities. Passed
2. Fred Roberts addressed the Council with information of a small water right for irrigation. He turned the time over to Kevin Payne State Water engineer to explain. Kevin will provide the Town with the information. Attorney Stout suggested to have a legal document written and to write a resolution. Motion by councilman Peck seconded by Councilman Grandy to write a resolution, motion amended to have Attorney Stout write a resolution. Passed. Fred Roberts will provide the information to Town Clerk.
3. Councilman Peck read a proclamation Honoring Hunger Action Month. Rachel Bailey and Myriam Wolcott explained the food bank in Afton and Lincoln County. Motion to accept the Proclamation by Councilman Lewis and seconded by Councilwoman Lewis. Mayor Arndt will rewrite the proclamation.
4. Recognitions

Mayor Arndt recognized Sharon for taking good care of the flowers on the streets. Wayne Harmon recognized Ben Jordan for his work on the water well project.

1. Public Comment

Savanah Hansel addressed the Mayor and Council to ask for permission to have the Craft Fair in the Town Hall on December 3rd, 2022 from 10-4. Motion by Councilman Peck to approve seconded by Councilman Viehweg. Passed unanimously

Charles Dayton wanted to know if a motion had been made for the strategic plan. Councilman Grandy suggested to have a special meeting to discuss.

Departments

1. Councilman Viehweg had 2 building permits to have approved because the Planning and Zoning Committee didn’t have a quorum.

Motion by Councilman Viehweg seconded by Councilman Peck to approve a fence for Sherry Vandermuss. Passed Unanimously

Motion by Councilman Peck to approve the home addition/remodel for Cecil Read on 200 Pine seconded Councilwoman Lewis. Passed Unanimously

Attorney Stout will write a resolution to lower the number of attendees for a quorum for the planning and zoning meetings.

Mayor Arndt reviewed the information given at the Lincoln County Economic Development meeting. Rod Jensen gave a presentation on bosv.com on economic development which was very good. Councilman Grandy stated that good jobs will be coming to Kemmerer as it is expanding.

1. At this time Mayor Rose Arndt recused herself from discussing and awarding the fire hydrant bids as her husband bid on the job.

There were 3 bids submitted, Arndt Plumbing bid $3485.00 each total of $34850.00. Longhorn Construction bid $35200.00 and will take start on Sept 26, 2022 and take 10-14 days to complete. SCI bid $47903.00. Motion by Councilman Grandy to accept the low bid from Arndt Plumbing with the condition that the Town Engineer make sure that the bid with all necessary paperwork is in order, in the absence of the necessary paperwork, the bid will go to Longhorn Construction seconded by Colby. In the discussion, Councilman Peck stated that he liked the professional looking bid from Longhorn Construction. Attorney Stout advised that the look of a bid wouldn’t matter in court. Councilman Peck felt as a duty to the Town, Longhorn construction gave all the necessary documentation in their bid, and the award should go to Longhorn. Councilman Grandy called for question. 1 yes vote from Councilman Grandy and 1 no vote from Councilman Peck. Councilman Lewis and Councilman Viehweg were silent which a silent vote is an affirmative vote.

Engineer Ben Jordan addressed the council regarding the well pilot hole. The hole is 200’ deep, 100’ of screen, pumping 1200 gallons per minute, 14 ½’ of draw down, all information and results of sampling will be given to the WWDC and Town. A building will be put on site and connect to the 10” line. Council discussed moving the water right from well #2 to this new well in town, will contact Kevin Payne State Water engineer. Motion by Councilman Grandy to approve signing the 1st pay application to be submitted to the WWDC and also approve signing pay application 2 and 3 so the project can keep moving forward and not wait for the paperwork, seconded by Councilman Peck. Passed Unanimously

1. Sewer plant is down for repairs, EPA & DEQ have been notified.
2. Carl Lindberg has a triangle piece of property by 1st north street. There is a small section of this property that is at the end of 1st north. Carl can’t find any documentation about a sale or deed to the town for that road and no easement or plat. Carl has had Scott Scherbel survey the property. Mayor Arndt stated that there needs to be some sort of official paperwork. The Town needs to gather information, have an executive session to decide. Council agreed that they want to pursue this issue. Councilman Peck will gather the information.
3. Taylor Allred talked about his road. Councilman Peck suggested to use millings to at least get the road smoother. Motion by Councilman Grandy seconded by Councilman Viehweg to put tailings down and to ask Wayne Harmon with the county to help with his grader. Passed unanimously
4. Motion by Councilman Peck to use $8000 chip sealing account to patch roads with the amendment to use Norus as contractor seconded by Councilwoman Lewis. Passed unanimously
5. Councilman Peck stated that the Town has the lease for the Sr. Center and Conservation District coming due in October. Mayor will have them written by week before council.
6. Councilwoman Lewis stated that there will be a movie night on October 14, 2022, showing Hocus Pocus 2. The tree lighting will be the first Saturday in December.
7. Chief Whitehead stated that the cameras are here and will be installed in the next 2 weeks. Councilman Peck and Chief Whitehead will do the work.
8. Next meeting will be October 11, 2022 at 7:00p.m.
9. Motion by Councilman Grandy seconded by Councilman Peck to adjourn at 9:32p.m.

Mayor Rose Arndt

Clerk Jody Harmon