

**Record of Proceedings
Town of Chugwater, Wyoming
Town Council Meeting
November 4, 2024**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER for PUBLIC HEARING at 7:00 PM

Liquor License Renewals for Buffalo Lodge and Grill, Chugwater Soda Fountain and The Stampede Saloon and Eatery. Mayor Ash invited public to comment. No concerns

Adjourn the Public Hearing at 7:04pm

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 7:05pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Councilperson Schirmer present, Mayor Ash present, Councilperson Burns present, Councilperson Kelley present. One vacancy. Quorum declared

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilperson Burns concerned with the Executive Session regarding "Employee concern" under New Business needs to be termed Employee Issue or Employee Matter. Mayor Ash says we will replace it with matter. Councilperson Kelley wants Approval of Liquor License Renewals added to New Business – list as first item. Councilperson Schirmer wants Locks & Keys for tree pile gate added to New Business – he will need to address this item.

Councilperson Kelley made a motion to approve the agenda with the changes/additions. Councilperson Burns seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Councilperson Burns had some concerns about the wording of the old yellow dump truck "doesn't run". Pete and Aaron clarified the need for new transmission, brakes, won't start and it has a cracked frame. Councilperson Burns is now good with the wording.

Council Meeting on October 7, 2024 – Councilperson Burns made the motion to approve the minutes as stated without any revisions. Councilperson Schirmer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Memorandum of Agreement with Platte County Road & Bridge. Next County Commissioners meeting is November 7, 2024 at which time they will discuss and sign the agreement.

COUNCIL REPORT

Councilperson Burns: Election Day. Encourage everyone to get out and vote for the candidate who best represent their views and opinions no matter what party they are.

Councilperson Kelley: Building Permit for the gas station is finalized. First section is in place. Councilperson Burns asked about height limitation. This sign is within limits and was approved 2 years ago.

Councilperson Schirmer: Sign needs to be finished before the wind destroys it.

DIRECTOR OF WATER & SEWER REPORT

Pete Delgado & Aaron Wombaker:

Pete Delgado – The vacuum excavator rented from Equipment Share had some mechanical problems and they had to come down and work on it a couple of times. We returned it. They will pro-rate it and give us credit back on it. It didn't work as well as we thought it should. Have sought out help to locate line from several people, Councilperson Kelley, Tim Ash, School District personnel. Still not able to find the line. Would like to rent mini excavator for \$982.80 for 2 days. Mayor Ash encourages the council to approve this due to the oncoming holidays and cold weather. Councilperson Burns made a motion to rent mini excavator. Councilperson Schirmer seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Pete asked Councilperson Schirmer to explain what they tried doing with the old dump truck. Councilperson Schirmer said batteries were dead and could not be charged. These are new batteries. Councilperson Kelley said to take them back – they should be under warranty. Have Rusty McGuire or Jesse Miller look at it and see what it will cost to make it useable. Councilperson Schirmer wants a kill switch put on it. Mayor Ash said to get an opinion from Rusty and if we need to have a special meeting, we will. Pete brought up sand was left in back of truck which is now concrete. Will need jackhammer to knock it loose. Mayor Ash asks if there is anything else, Pete said that's all. No action is needed at this point.

TREASURER'S REPORT

David Clough:

Presented the financial report provided by CPA. Councilperson Kelley makes motion to approve. Councilperson Schirmer seconded the motion. Motion carries.

OPEN FORUM

Cathy Wilson reminder Veterans Day Community Dinner November 11 @ 6pm at the Community Center. Everything is provided. Need a good turnout. Will have a couple speakers.

Proclamation 249th Birthday of the United States Marine Corps on November 10, 1775

Proclamation Native American Heritage Month

Proclamation The most worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Mason of the Wyoming and Chugwater Masonic Lodge No. 23 – 150th Anniversary Sunday, December 15, 2024

OLD BUSINESS

Aaron Wombaker -- Dump Trailer for maintenance with sealed bids.

Ron Hall asked where the specifications for sealed bids were posted? David replied Wheatland newspaper, 2 consecutive weeks.

Sealed Bids from:

Cheyenne Kubota \$13018.92 minus sales tax makes it \$12382.

Factory Direct Trailer Sales \$11700. which is low bid

Councilperson Schirmer makes a motion to accept bid from Factory Direct for \$11700. Councilperson Kelley seconded the motion. Councilperson Burns has a concern about being over the budget and wants to wait. Ron Hall wants to know why the 4 bids he brought in a while back weren't looked at, which were not sealed bids, and why we need the trailer now? Mayor Ash reminds everyone this was a line item in the budget and we can take it out of Specific Purpose Option Tax because it will enhance their ability to do their jobs. After a comprehensive discussion, Councilperson Schirmer amended original motion to accept bid from Factory Direct for \$11700 and take it out of the Specific Purpose Option Tax. Councilperson Kelley seconded the motion with this change. Motion passes with 2 yes and 1 no.

NEW BUSINESS

Liquor License Renewal. Councilperson Schirmer makes a motion to approve all three liquor license renewals: Buffalo Lodge and Grill, Chugwater Soda Fountain and The Stampede Saloon and Eatery. Councilperson Kelley seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

Tree pile gate key lost by Councilperson Schirmer. Why do we need new lock and keys? Lock with 8 keys was donated. Change a lock every time a key is lost for security reasons.

Adjourn to Executive Session for Employee Matter @ 7:59pm
Return from Executive Session – No action taken

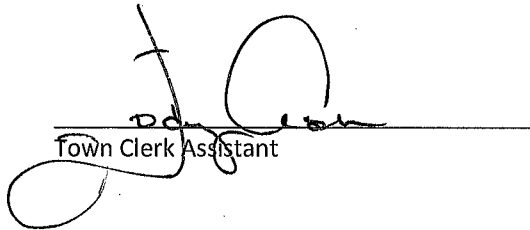
APPROVAL OF BILLS

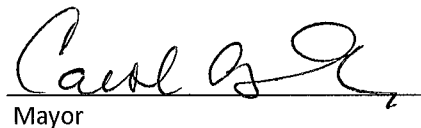
Councilperson Burns question regarding Bomgaars.
Councilperson Schirmer question regarding RRC, LLC.
Councilperson Kelley made a motion to approve the bills. Councilperson Burns seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously

ADJOURNMENT & SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Councilperson Schirmer made motion to adjourn. Councilperson Kelley seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.

Regular Town Council Meeting – December 2, 2024 @ 7pm


Town Clerk Assistant


Mayor