

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL  
HELD AUGUST 19, 2014, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE  
SARATOGA TOWN HALL

Mayor John Zeiger called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Members present were Councilman Steve Wilcoxson, Councilwoman Susan Howe and Councilwoman Judy Welton.

Councilman Mike McWain was absent from the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2014 meeting as presented. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS: Councilwoman Welton read the following bills for approval: Accounts Payable: \$125,518.43; Payroll and FICA for 8/11/14 in the amount of \$68,665.52; and manual checks in the amount of \$231.23, for a total of \$194,415.18.

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$194,415.18. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

Town Hall: Mayor Zeiger read Ordinance 827, An Ordinance of the Town of Saratoga, Wyoming, Granting a Nonexclusive Franchise to Carbon Power & Light, Inc., A Wyoming Corporation, for the Construction, Maintenance, and Operation of an Electric Utility System and Repealing in Their Entirety All Previous Ordinances in Conflict Herewith, on third and final reading.

Clerk Suzie Cox noted that there had been a few clerical corrections and the franchise fee had been removed as directed following the second reading.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve Ordinance 827, on third and final reading. Councilwoman Howe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Cox reported that the liquor license renewals are being prepared and will be delivered to each establishment early in September. Clerk Cox requested that the council consider waiving the publication fees for any license holder who had participated in the TIPS training offered by Chief Knickerbocker.

Fire Department: No report

Police Department: Chief Knickerbocker reported that he would be offering an Off Site TIPS training next week.

Chief Knickerbocker added that he had received two applications for the Resource Officer position and had conducted interviews. Chief Knickerbocker was requesting permission to hire Ryan Merrill as the Resource Officer to complete our obligation to the homeland security grant. The position would be from now until May 30, 2015 and each applicant had been told that the position would only be for eight months.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to allow Chief Knickerbocker to offer the Resource Officer position to Ryan Merrill. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Recreation Department: Recreation Director Lisa Burton reported that the grant application she had submitted to the Carbon County School District #2 Rec Board had been awarded to the Town of Saratoga in the amount of \$10,950.00 to be used for open gym supervisors, chemicals and supplies for the municipal pool and for the Missoula Children's Theater performance residency fees for a week.

Director Burton requested council approval and permission for the Mayor to sign the Agreement Contract.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the Agreement Contract with permission for the Mayor to sign. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Department of Public Works:

- Street Department: Chuck Bartlett reported that the DPW crews were patching potholes and working on restoring the Veteran's Island walk path. Mr. Bartlett added that they had received 45 tons of cold mix to use on patching.
- Water & Sewer: nothing additional to report
- Weed and Pest: No Report
- Hot Pool: No Report

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Airport Board: Clerk Suzie Cox reported that Michael Haak had indicated that the Final Report for the Airport Master Plan was being presented to the council and the ALP had been sent by UPS but had not arrived in time for the meeting. Michael Haak was requesting council approval of the final document for the Airport Master Plan with permission for the Mayor to sign as soon as the documents are received.

Councilman Wilcoxson made a motion to approve Final Report for the Airport Master Plan and the final documents with permission for the Mayor to sign. Councilwoman Welton seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

David Worthington voiced concerns that he had about the Master Plan and the Mayor thanked him for his comments.

The next Airport Board meeting will be on August 26, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Community Center Joint Powers Board: Councilwoman Welton noted that the Community Center Annual Fundraiser will be held September 13<sup>th</sup> and encouraged everyone to attend.

The next meeting of the Community Center Joint Powers Board will be held Monday, September 15, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.

Water and Sewer Joint Powers Board: The next meeting of the water and sewer joint powers board will be Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Landfill Board: The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in Encampment.

Richard Hodges added that a trailer was filled and waiting to be picked up and taken to Utah.

Medical Board: Councilwoman Welton noted that the medical board would be meeting next week.

Planning Commission: The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Recreation Commission: The next meeting will be Monday, September 15, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

Community Garden Board:

South Central Emergency Medical Services: No report

Items from the Public: No report

Adjournment: Being no further business to come before the meeting, Councilwoman Welton made a motion to adjourn at 6:23 pm. Councilman Wilcoxson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on September 2, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

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Mayor John Zeiger

ATTEST:

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Suzie Cox, Clerk