

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING**

**April 25, 2023**

**7:00 PM**

**City Hall**



**CITY OF MILLS**  
EST. 1921

**Mayor:**  
Leah Juarez  
**Council President:**  
Sara McCarthy  
**Council Members:**  
Cherie Butcher  
Brad Neumiller  
Tim Sutherland

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**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

**ROLL CALL**

**RESENT**

Mayor Leah Juarez  
Council President Sara McCarthy  
Council Member Cherie Butcher  
Council Member Brad Neumiller  
Council Member Tim Sutherland

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Minutes**

1. Council Meeting Minutes 4-11-2023

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

2. Executive Session Minutes Personnel Issue

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

3. Executive Session Minutes Legal Issue

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

4. Executive Session Minutes Legal Issue

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

### City Licenses

5. New and Renewal Business and Contractor Licenses 4-25-2023

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

### Financial Approvals

6. Fire Payroll: 3-26-2023 to 4-6-2023

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

7. Regular/Police Payroll: 3-27-2023 to 4-9-2023

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

8. Financial Break down Report 4-25-2023

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

9. Ordinance 790: THIRD AND FINAL READING: An Ordinance to Rezone Lots 1-7, Buffalo Meadows Addition From Mixed Size Residential (MSR) to Mixed Use (MU)

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

10. Ordinance 786: THIRD AND FINAL READING: An Ordinance To Rezone A Portion of Lot 1 and A1 of Lot 2 , block 21 of the Mountain View Suburb from Developing Residential to Established Business

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Butcher.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member

Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

**11. Ordinance 792: First Reading: An Ordinance to Require Massage Bodywork Therapists to Maintain Permits From the City of Mills**

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

**12. Resolution 2023-5: A Resolution for Lot 1A, Block 21, Mountain View Suburb, A Vacation and Replat of a Portion of Lot 1 and All of Lot 2, Block 21**

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

**13. Resolution 2023-6: A Resolution for Freden Addition NO 3, A Vacation and Replat of Lot 2 & 3 Block 5 Freden Addition and Lot 4B Block 5 Freden Addition**

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

**Oral Resolution:** Mayor stated that we have an oral resolution. The City Attorney will state. The resolution is to continue to approve the purchase lease of an ambulance for the Mills Fire Department whether or not the prior funding arrangements through the Dinosolar go forward or not.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Butcher  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

## **COUNCIL APPROVALS**

None

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

### **Ambeana**

I am here for a special reason. I am here to thank for all his support our Representative Kevin O'Hearn. About 2 years ago, I am a kidney transplant recipient. I have been a kidney advocate for Donor Allaine Wyoming and the National Kidney foundation. They approached me and said that you need Wyoming to pass the Living Donor Protection Act. I started talking to Kevin and he ran with it. It took about 2 years and in Feb 24<sup>th</sup> of 2023, Governor Gordon signed the Living Donor Protect Act. I want to stress to you how important this act is. I had my transplant in 1999. I was on the list for 14 months. Today, people that live in Wyoming have to go to Denver or Salt Lake and it is at least 5 years. Depending on your blood type and tissue is can be 7 years or longer. A lot of people can't last that long waiting for their transplant. Last year there was 160 people in Wyoming that needed kidney transplant and only 23 people got it. That is really bad numbers. When I was waiting for my transplant list

and I had a friend that was going to be my living donor. But she would had the chance to lose her job, and her insurance premiums were going to double. So this law takes away any kind of discrimination from any insurance company, with long term care, disability, life insurance and many other stuff that goes along with be the living donor. Wyoming association of insurers have backed this law. So I am living strong and living life for 23 years from this transplant and I want this for everyone. Kevin is making this possible by supporting this bill. I went to the National Kidney Foundation and they have sent a couple of things for his recognition. First, The National Kidney Foundation sent a certificate that stated, we would like to thank Kevin O'Hearn, for his generous support and commitment to protecting living organ donors. The audience and council gave their applause. Second, she has a letter that is attached to these minutes. We again have worked so hard for two years and he needs to be recognized. There are 7000 people in Wyoming that have chronic kidney disease, not all need a transplant. Mayor stated that she would like to thank Representative Kevin O'Hearn we appreciate what you have done. It is a monumental thing what you have done. I would like to thank you for being a advocate. It is not a easy job what you do.

Kevin stated to another topic since he is on the P & Z Board for the City that Alvin Shaw is here and we approved Shawville and we talked about. We thought it would be on the agenda tonight. What is the difference between Resolution 2023-5 and Ordinance 786. Pat stated that one of them is the rezoning and other one is vacation and replat. They are part of each other. Alvin Shaw is here and we thought that Shawville would be this as well. The City Clerk stated that she did not get it from Megan our City Planner. So we will have to look into that.

Mayor asked again if anyone would like to speak in open discussion for a second and third time.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### 14. Personnel Issue

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a Personnel Issue at 7:13pm.

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.

Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

Back from Executive Session at 7:30pm.

**Action:** Approval an oral Resolution to approve the hiring of the replacement prosecutor.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.

Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Oral Resolution passes.

### 15. Real-Estate Issue

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a Real-Estate Issue at 7:30pm.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.

Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

Back from Executive Session at 7:56pm

**Action:** The first resolution would be to proceed with working with a potential purchase of parcel A.

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council President McCarthy.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

The second resolution would be to approve the purchase of a market analysis for Parcel A.

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Butcher.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

16. Personnel Issue

Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for a Personnel Issue at 7:57pm

Motion made by Council Member Neumiller, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

Back from Executive Session at 8:17pm.

Action: No Action

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17pm

Motion made by Council President McCarthy, Seconded by Council Member Sutherland.  
Voting Yea: Mayor Juarez, Council President McCarthy, Council Member Butcher, Council Member Neumiller, Council Member Sutherland. Motion Passes

**AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE**

**NEXT MEETING** - May 9th, 2023 @ 7:00pm/ May 23rd, 2023 @ 7:00pm

**NEXT WORK SESSION** - May 8th, 2023 @ 9:00am/ May 15th, 2023 @ 9:00am Budget Work Session/ May 23rd, 2023 @ 6:00am

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Mayor, Leah Juarez

  
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City Clerk, Christine Trumbull

