

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Saratoga Town Hall, 110 E Spring Ave, Saratoga, WY 82331

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

- 1) Public Hearing Zone Change
- 2) Public Hearing - CWSRF Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project Director Emery Penner presented the project description, budget proposal, and repayment of the SRF Loan for the CWSRF Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project. Project will consist of two (2) river crossings, one (1) on the South end of town and one (1) on the North end of town, both have older lines that will be replaced, in one section rebuild older sewer, other area that has old PVC and clay lines will be dug up and replaced. Funding sought after will be SRF with principle forgiveness listed at \$1.575 million which is half of the project cost. Special Purpose tax will be used to offset the remainder. Application will be submitted on October 10, 2024, will attend the Board meeting in February, plan and start design in the Spring of 2025, go to bid in the winter of 2025 and start construction early in 2026. Will conduct a full environmental study, the town has received comments from federal agencies, Wyoming Game and Fish and ARMY Core Engineers both speak about getting through the proper processes and permits when the project is started. Neither agency has had any red flags come up on the environmental side of the project. No rate change is expected, between the SRF forgiveness and Special Purpose Tax, project should be covered completely.
- 3) Opening Ceremony
 Pro tem Mayor Mike Cooley called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM
- 4) Roll Call: __Mayor Chuck Davis __Councilman Cooley __Councilwoman Beck __Councilman Fluty __Councilman Barkhurst Mayor Chuck Davis was absent all other members of Council were present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made to approve agenda for September 17, 2024 by Councilman Barkhurst, second by Councilman Fluty. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

5) Minutes from September 3, 2024 Meeting

Motion to approve meeting minutes from September 3, 2024 made by Councilwoman Beck, second by Councilman Barkhurst. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Motion was made to approve all financials for September 17, 2024 by Councilman Barkhurst, second by Councilman Fluty. Motion carried.

- 6) Deposits \$368,678.94
- 7) Accounts Payable \$119,957.27
- 8) Transmittals \$50,556.70
- 9) Payroll \$46,466.36

CORRESPONDENCE

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ellie Dana gave a report from the Carbon County Visitors' Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Beck reported that there were between 80 and 90 participants is the Walk to End Alzheimer's and \$27,000.00 was raised.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS

Town Hall

10) Letter of Engagement FY 2023/2024 Audit

Motion was made to approve Letter of Engagement from Mountain States C.P.A's for the FY 2023/2024 audit with the estimate being between \$26,000 and \$31,500 made by Councilman Fluty, second by Councilman Barkhurst. Motion carried.

Police Department

Fire Department

Recreation Department

Next meeting is October 7, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

- 11) Cowboy Couture Flag Football T-Shirts \$430.00
- 12) Aubrey Berger Contract Fitness Classes

Motion to approve contract for Aubrey Berger to teach Fitness Classes made by Councilwoman Beck, second by Councilman Fluty. Motion carried.

Department of Public Works

Director Emery Penner stated the curb is completed at Never Forget Park, mosquito spraying in finished for the season, paving is planned to start tomorrow on the milled roads, and will be getting the lift station ordered for the Airport.

13) Rocky Mountain Gravel Pay App # 4 - \$646,375.25

Motion was made by Councilman Barkhurst to pay Rocky Mountain Sand and Gravel Pay App #4 in the amount of \$646,375.25, second by Councilman Fluty. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Water and Sewer Joint Power Board

Next meeting is October 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the PVCC

Planning Commission

Next meeting is October 8, 2024 at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

14) Zone Change Deliberation

Motion was made by Councilman Fluty to table discussion on the zone change at 8th and Bridge, second by Councilman Barkhurst. Motion carried.

Community Center Joint Powers Board

Next meeting is October 14, 2024 at 4:30 PM at the PVCC

Recreation Commission

Next meeting is October 7, 2024 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

Saratoga Airport Advisory Board

Next meeting is October 14, 2024 at 3:30 PM at the Town Hall Council Chambers

Brenda Mistelske gave a report from the meeting held on September 9, 2024, a financial report was given for fiscal year 2023/2024, an update was given on the PCN (rating on the runway), CIP update for the future plans for the Airport which span out to 2038, discussion was had on minimum standards and rules, also discussion was had about the Wyoming Airport Coalition Conference which begins tomorrow September 18 being held at the PVCC.

South Central Wyoming Emergency Medical Services Board Next meeting is October 21, 2024 at 6:00 PM in Hanna

NEW BUSINESS
EXECUTIVE SESSION
FURTHER BUSINESS
ADJOURNMENT
Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:58 made by Councilman Fluty, second by Councilman Barkhurst. Motion carried.
THE NEXT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON TUESDAY, October 1, 2024 AT 6:00 PM.
Mayor Chuck Davis

Jenn Anderson, Town Clerk