



**Stevensville Town Council Meeting
Agenda for
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2024
6:30 PM
206 Buck Street, Town Hall**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comments (Public comment from citizens on items that are not on the agenda)
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. [Town Council Meeting Minutes 10/10/2024](#)
5. Approval of Bi-Weekly Claims
6. Public Hearings
 - a. [Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2023/2024](#)
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. [Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 557 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana to Establish Irrigation and Sprinkling Days & Times](#)
8. New Business
 - a. [Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 558 a Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Stevensville, Montana, Providing for the Amendments of the Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024](#)
9. Board Reports
10. Town Council Comments
11. Executive Report
12. Adjournment

Welcome to Stevensville Town Council Chambers

We consider it a privilege to present, and listen to, diverse views.

It is essential that we treat each other with respect.

We expect that participants will:

- ✓ Engage in active listening
- ✓ Make concise statements
- ✓ Observe any applicable time limit

We further expect that participants will refrain from disrespectful displays:

- ✗ Profanity
- ✗ Personal Attacks
- ✗ Signs
- ✗ Heckling and applause

Guidelines for Public Comment

Public Comment ensures an opportunity for citizens to meaningfully participate in the decisions of its elected officials. It is one of several ways your voice is heard by your local government. During public comment we ask that all participants respect the right of others to make their comment uninterrupted. The council's goal is to receive as much comment as time reasonably allows. All public comment should be directed to the chair (Mayor or designee). Comment made to the audience or individual council members may be ruled out of order. Public comment must remain on topic, and free from abusive language or unsupported allegations.

During any council meeting you have two opportunities to comment:

1. During the public comment period near the beginning of a meeting.
2. Before any decision-making vote of the council on an agenda item.

Comment made outside of these times may not be allowed.

Citizens wishing to speak during any public comment period should come forward to the podium and state their name and address for the record. Comment may be time limited, as determined by the chair, to allow as many people as possible to comment. Comment prior to a decision-making vote must remain on the motion before the council.

Thank you for observing these guidelines.

File Attachments for Item:

- a. Town Council Meeting Minutes 10/10/2024

Stevensville Town Council Meeting Minutes

for THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024, 6:30 PM 206 Buck Street, Town Hall

CONDENSED MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Michalson called the meeting to order. Councilmembers Barker, Brown, Nelson and Smith were all present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comments (Public comment from citizens on items that are not on the agenda)

NONE

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Town Council meeting Minutes 09/26/2024

Mayor Michalson: introduced approval of minutes for 09/26/2024.

Councilmember Barker: make a motion to approve town council meeting minutes 09/26/2024.

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Public comment? Seeing none, Jenelle take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

5. Approval of Bi-Weekly Claims

a. #19253-#19288

Mayor Michalson: introduced approval of bi-weekly claims #19253-#19288. Adding in #19289, MMIA liability insurance.

Councilmember Smiht: I move that we approve claims #19253-#19288.

Mayor Michalson: through #19289, with the addition.

Councilmember Smith: through #19289.

Councilmember Barker: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Barker: so that the public is aware of what we added was the #19289, Gina would you elaborate on that.

Gina Crowe, Finance Officer: it is our liability, annual assessment that we pay every year.

Councilmember Barker: that is just one that was missed from that claim?

Gina Crowe: it was I did the claims, and then needed to talk to Robert about it and then it was after 5:00 and I had already sent the claims over.

Councilmember Nelson: claim #19270, Overstreet Law Group under 93204- Berta Farms, is the 3102 paid to the law group for consulting fees or what?

Mayor Michalson: yes, what happened is just recently when we tried to go on Berta Farms to do clean up, they blacked us and then we regrouped and Thomas Orr from Berta Farms failed a motion with the judge that it was all cleaned up and that the town does not have to be there, then Greg countered that with a motion that is stated, not even close and that is what that amount is for.

Councilmember Barker: claim #19273, Delta Hotels no amount on that, what is this.

Gina Crowe: the Delta is for Coday Anderson that is taking his class.

Councilmember Barker: I just don't see a dollar amount of anything with it.

Gina Crowe: is that on page 4? This is a cancellation; this is the credit that we got back from Colette's conference.

Councilmember Brown: Claim #19270, research from Overstreet Law.

Gina Crowe: that is the same claim, the research that he did.

Mayor Michalson: work that he did for Gina and I.

Councilmember Brown: claim #19271 and 72 for our Spring Street and Railroad projects where are we on those two projects.

Mayor Michalson: I can tell you know or in my executive report.

Councilmember Brown: I can wait, thank you.

Mayor Michalson: any other comments from the council on the claims? Public comment?

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeff Motley: #19273, Ravalli Electric. My question on that is it must be our cost share for the SRE building, \$43.20.

Gina Crowe: that is part of the airport.

Jeff Motley: that was for a month period of time, \$43.00? all we have in there is a truck that seems like a lot, especially if that is a cost share.

Mayor Michalson: I an look into that for you Jeff.

Gina Crowe: Robert and I have talked about that, and he had come up with a split on that.

Mayor Michalson: any other questions from the public on the claims? Seeing none, Jenelle take the vote.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

6. Administrative Reports

Mayor Michalson: introduced

a. Airport

Brian Germane, Airport Manager: Report in the packet and Brian read through his report. Want to take advantage of the FAA 95% match that will become available in 2026 and that starts in July of 2025. Working on how to resolve the fuel issues at the airport, also working on how to get our own fuel tank. Airport Board is working on filling the vacancies. The airport board last week held a special board meeting to review the RFQ responses. Want to thank the board for making that happen so quickly and thank Jenelle, I came to her a month ago trying to figure out how to get this RFQ process done in a short time, and she was just amazing to get this thing put together, published and get the responses, thank you very much.

Councilmember Smith: will you be putting together a report from the fire season?

Brian Germane: yes, I can do that.

b. Building Department

In the packet.

c. Finance

NONE

d. Fire Department

Jeff Motley, Fire Chief: Report in the packet and Jeff read through his report. Getting ready to produce the annual fundraising letter it will be mailed out to all of the district and town individuals. October is fire prevention month I do not know if we are going to get up to the school to do anything we do not have any funding for that we will see if the association can pick up the tab on the program.

Councilmember Barker: what is the missed call?

Jeff Motley: not sure, we had zero missed calls for the month of September but can look into that for you.

e. Police Department

Provided to the council at the meeting. John Boe, Chief of Police out of town at the police academy teaching some classes. Mayor Michalson gave the report.

Mayor Michalson: had a meeting with the superintendent at the school and he is very happy with the SRO and the law enforcement presence.

f. Public Works

Stephen Lassiter, Public Works Supervisor: Report in the packet. Stephen touched on the fall clean up and storm damage clean up. Sometimes people are confused about the fall clean up and the storm damage. Just incase you get a call, we have not missed the pile will come back to it, Glenn has retired, Cody is in class, so we are a little shorthanded.

7. New Business

a. Discussion/Decision: Consent to the Mayors Appointment of Heidi Motley to the Park Board

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item a. Consent to the Mayors Appointment of Heidi Motley to the Park Board.

Councilmember Brown: I move that we appoint Hiedi Motley to the park board.

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Public comments? Seeing none, Jenelle take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

b. Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 555 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana for Emergency Tax Levies for the Thunderstorm/Wind Event 2024

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item b. Resolution No. 555 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana for Emergency Tax Levies for the Thunderstorm/Wind Event 2024. As you know we had a storm on August 23rd. We held off on the resolution for the tax levies because Eric Hoover said that he was not quite ready, so we held off on it. Two weeks ago, Gina, Stephen and I went to the disaster meeting in Hamilton, and they said that we have to put this out there. It is a onetime deal. Gina has to keep track of everything that the town uses to do the storm damage cleaned up. Once that we

exhaust the funding from the mills then we will receive funds from the state. I encourage the council to please pass this to get this going.

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve Resolution No. 555 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana for Emergency Tax Levies for the Thunderstorm/Wind Event 2024.

Councilmember Brown: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: you mentioned that there needs to be pictures of the debris piles and most of those are already gone.

Mayor Michalson: the main pile at public works. I have already taken pictures of everything when I am out walking and have sent them to Gina for her to send them out to MMIA. The disaster team told us that we have to file with MMIA first. When I was at the meeting last week in West Yellowstone, they had liability specialist there that said yes, send it to us. If it is in the boulevard, they will probably denies it, but if it is in the parks they might.

Councilmember Nelson: so, the \$7162.00 was the original levy.

Mayor Michalson: this would be a new levy that we would put on the taxes.

Councilmember Nelson: and that will be raised.

Mayor Michalson: Hamilton also filed for disaster relief, and theirs was around \$23,000.00 and they have already passed their mill levy. They are kind of like one and half steps ahead of us which is good, we are following them.

Councilmember Barker: if we are approving a mill levy doesn't this have to go in front of a public hearing?

Mayor Michalson: no.

Councilmember Brown: is this like the disasters that I have been hearing on the radio then the general public have had problems at their homes they can get help too.

Mayor Michalson: no.

Gina Crowe: that is one of the first questions that we asked.

Councilmember Smith: this declaration of it being an emergency could maybe help them with their home insurance.

Mayor Michalson: that I do not know. We were told at that meeting that this will not be for public help.

Councilmember Nelson: does this cover damage to our parks?

Mayor Michalson: yes, the \$7,000 we could use for whatever we want, wages, damage to our trees, parks.

Councilmember Nelson: if this is not passed then we will not get any help.

Mayor Michalson: that is correct, if it is not passed, we will have to eat everything.

Councilmember Barker: what is this going to cost us again?

Mayor Michalson: \$7.79 or something.

Councilmember Smith:

Mayor Michalson: any other comments from the council? Public comment?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizen (no name given): what does MMIA stand for.

Mayor Michalson: Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority, I just got reelected to the board of directors. They are our property liability company. Any other comments from the public or council? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

c. Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 557 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana to Establish Irrigation and Sprinkling Days & Times

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item c. Resolution No. 557 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana to Establish Irrigation and Sprinkling Days & Times. Thought we would strengthen this up a bit. On my walks I notice the watering of people that water when they should not be. Also stated in the resolution that there are fines when you are watering outside of your times or days.

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion for approval of Resolution No. 557 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana to Establish Irrigation and Sprinkling Days & Times.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: we are looking at this resolution, but we already have something on the books.

Mayor Michalson: yes, it was just berried. any other comments from the council? Public comment?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Citizen (no name given): does this change from what was from before?

Mayor Michalson: no, it does not change the days.

Jenelle Berthoud: the penalty has always been there at the bottom of the ordinance, just added that to show it.

Melissa Bailey: I was always under the impression that the times were seasonal is that not the case.

Mayor Michalson: if you are watering in the winter why would you.

Melissa Bailey: but I could if I wanted to. I just want to clarify because it is not in there. If I decided to water on a Sunday, I would not be penalized.

Councilmember Smith: yeah, you would, there is not watering on Sundays.

Melissa Bailey: I am just clarifying, that is not written.

Mayor Michalson: if it is not seasonal it is not seasonal.

Melissa Bailey: so that is the change. Would you consider extending the water times. 6:00 pm instead of 7:00 pm or watering on Sundays.

Councilmember Barker: I thought on the watering days it did say 6 o'clock?

Mayor Michalson: you can bring that forward as an agenda item.

Melissa Bailey: I am struggling, I want to keep a green lawn next year, I will bring that forward.

Councilmember Barker: there is no reason why we cannot change that.

Mayor Michalson: yes, is that right Jenelle?

Jenelle Berthoud: yes.

Councilmember Barker: this is just a resolution, we can amend.

Jenelle Berthoud: read the days and times from the watering card to the council.

Mayor Michalson: would you like to change the time?

Councilmember Nelson: I make a motion on Resolution 557 we amend the watering time for hose watering from 7 pm to 6 pm.

Councilmember Brown: it needs to be for changing the time on hose watering 7 am to noon and 6 pm to 10 pm.

Councilmember Nelson: so, I amend the time from 7 am to noon and 6 pm to 10 pm on hose watering.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Discussion from the public? This is on changing the water hours. Jenelle, would you please take the vote.

Councilmember Brown: no

Councilmember Smith: aye

Councilmember Nelson: aye

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 3-1 on the amended motion. Back to the original resolution. Council discussion? Public comment?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeff Motley: so, I can hose water in the morning and sprinkle water after 12 am on my given day.

Mayor Michalson: it does read that way. You want to water that much go for it.

Councilmember Brown: do we still have where people, the elderly people, that have an automated system, and they can get a variance on this to water and people that work swing shifts something like that. I think at one time there was something.

Jenelle Berthoud: I have personally not seen those ones come through I have seen when a new build is putting in a lawn they talk with Stephen and Andrena to set that schedule to be watering outside the times because they are establishing a lawn or putting sod down. I have not seen the others, Stephen, have you?

Stephen Lassiter: no.

Councilmember Brown: we used to have something, where people, say the elderly people, I hear our sprinkler system turn on at night, yes it does wake me up, but I think we did have at one time for special needs giving them a variance to water at a different time if needed.

Mayor Michalson: I just went through the ordinance right here and I do not see anything in there about a variance.

Jenelle Berthoud: I will look through the resolutions, but we were really looking through to make sure that we did not miss anything.

Councilmember Brown: because I know that one time there was something.

Mayor Michalson: we can look into it if it does, we can amend this ordinance. Any other comments from the council, Jenelle, would you take the vote.

Councilmember Brown: no, until we have the correct wording.

Mayor Michalson: if we can not find it then we will have to create one.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Barker: no.

Mayor Michalson: I will not break the tie on this, we will have to bring this back.

Jenelle Berthoud: then Resolution NO. 557 has failed.

Mayor Michalson: yes, 2-2.

d. Discussion/Decision: Rescind Resolution No. 321 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville Adopting Budget Billing as a Billing Option for Water and Sewer Utilities

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item d. Rescind Resolution No. 321 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville Adopting Budget Billing as a Billing Option for Water and Sewer Utilities. Just cleaning up some old resolutions and as you know we do not use this any longer.

Councilmember Smith: I move to rescind Resolution No. 321 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville Adopting Budget Billing as a Billing Option for Water and Sewer Utilities

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Nelson: does this have to do with anything with the help for you?

Mayor Michalson: no.

Councilmember Barker: I did some research on this on what those resolutions were associated with and how they were worded. It was something to help the citizens, I do not know how that would help with our new rates, it was quiet detailed from old rates for one and I do not know what it would look like with the new rates, maybe we can come back and revisit it. Like anything everybody is looking for anything to help out with a reduced rate, we have our electrical that has budget billing. Are we just cleaning up what is there?

Mayor Michalson: we have not used budget billing for a couple of years.

Councilmember Barker: I did not know that it was even available until I actually went on the website.

Jenelle Berthoud: we currently do not have anyone using it.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vicki Motley: that is because you stopped providing it. You did something. I used it all the time. I knew what I was going to pay every month, so I could budget my bills. It was just nice to know what were my expenses. At one point it went away, and they said that we can not do that anymore.

Councilmember Barker: it does say something about Black Mountain. It shows the 3,000 gallons of water, and obviously the bigger lines. I think that it is something that we should look at.

Mayor Michalson: we can look into it, whatever you want to do.

Gina Crowe: we can look into it, but I don't think that anyone has approached us.

Councilmember Barker: I did not know that it was there until I was looking into the help for you program and I came across it. this was even something. I made a comment at the last meeting that maybe this could help.

Gina Crowe: we can look into.

Vickie Motley: when it was offered, I paid like \$100.00 per month, then in the spring and summer I went in with a credit.

Jeff Motley: it is money into the towns coffers.

Mayor Michalson: what are the councils wishes.

Councilmember Smith: I think that we should further investigate that the software can do this.

Councilmember Brown: I move that we table this agenda item.

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0 to table and bring back under unfished business.

e. Discussion/Decision: The Stevensville Airport Board Recommends Morrison Maierle for Aviation Engineering Services

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item e. The Stevensville Airport Board Recommends Morrison Maierle for Aviation Engineering Services.

Councilmember Brown: I move that we appoint Morrison Maierle for Aviation Engineering Services.

Councilmember Barker: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. With the councils permission, can I have Brian come up.

Brian Germane, Airport Manager: we had one submission, Morrison Maierle we have a long history with MM. they have designed most of the projects over the past 25 years. It has been about a 5% match rate for the town through the projects. They have worked very hard for the airport to get this funding and do our projects. The board met and the board scored the RFQ all nine criteria, and they got a 100 and then the board recommended them to the council for approval.

Mayor Michalson: any questions from the council or the airport manager.

Councilmember Smith: I would like to thank Councilmember Brown for sitting in on the board for me. Thank you and I appreciate you.

Mayor Michalson: public comment?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Craig Thomas: have worked with MM as the board chair since 2016 they have done beyond their contract, volunteering their time and Tyler has been great and their repour is great with the FAA.

Mayor Michalson: thank you Craig. Any further public comments? Seeing none, Jenelle, would you please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

f. Discussion/Decision: The Stevensville Park Board Suggest Using Hillbilly Fencing LLC to Repair/Adding Fencing to Father Ravalli Park

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item f. The Stevensville Park Board Suggest Using Hillbilly Fencing LLC to Repair/Adding Fencing to Father Ravalli Park.

Councilmember Nelson: I move that the Stevensville Park Board's recommendation of using Hillbilly Fencing LLC to Repair/Adding Fencing to Father Ravalli Park.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Brown: did we put this in the budget?

Councilmember Barker: I believe that there was discussion that is what they wanted to use part of the Jean Thomas for. There is only \$6,000 in the fund.

Mayor Michalson: we do have money that we can take for that.

Councilmember Brown: this is for Father Ravalli Park; part of the fence was taken down when they put in the new playground equipment, and it has never been put back up that is the problem. Kids using that park for flag football, soccer and T-ball.

Councilmember Barker: I took note when I drove by, are the sprinkling systems working properly in the park. Okay, no. maybe that is something to think about also.

Mayor Michalson: there was also talk, in Missoula and Hamilton they do not put up fences, and here they use it and if a kid was to chase after a ball.

Councilmember Barker: some of those parks that you are noticing in Missoula are bigger parks then what we have. I think that it needs to continue.

Councilmember Smith: I think that we need to move that fence 3 feet for better parking as well.

Councilmember Brown: it was being moved in to get a mower on the curb side.

Mayor Michalson: I do not think that it was three feet. Any other comments from the council or the public.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vicki Motley: I think that the reason for moving it three feet was for mowing purposes.

Mayor Michalson: I do have a question for Steve. It includes the removing of all old posts and fencing.

Stephen Lassiter: they do not want to piece it together. They want to put their name on it.

Mayor Michalson: if we are going to get sponsors we want to have a shiny fence. Any other comments? Jenelle, please take the vote.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

g. Discussion/Decision:

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item g. Purchasing Union Ditch Shares from Brad Pollman. In March Brad came into town hall and let us know that he had shares for sale. I talked to Greg about it, and he said that we should do it. when ever it comes down to water rights I think that we should jump on it.

Councilmember Nelson: I move that the town of Stevensville purchase Union Ditch Shares from Brad Pollman

Councilmember Barker: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Council discussion?

Councilmember Brown: so, these shares are strictly for irrigation purposes.

Mayor Michalson: yes.

Councilmember Brown: how many shares do we have right now, do we know?

Jenelle Berthoud: I tried to reach out to them, and I have not heard back and there were somethings online and I thought that I saw 32.

Stephen Lassiter: we are at the end of the line.

Councilmember Brown: if we find out that we have to many shares.

Citizen: you can never have to many shares.

Citizen: I think that Rich Kerney is Union or supply ditch.

Jenelle Berthoud: thank you.

Mayor Michalson: any other comments? Jenelle, would you please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

h. Discussion/Decision: Donation of Park Benches from Lewis & Clark Park to the Historic St. Mary's Mission

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item h. Donation of Park Benches from Lewis & Clark Park to the Historic St. Mary's Mission.

Stephen Lassiter: about 15 benches, they have been stored at the plant. The only time that I move them is for the Mission. I move them from the plant to the Mission. They are pretty light, to light, if I put them in Lewis & Clark Park, they will end up in the skate park. I thought about putting them on the trail down by the river, they would be in the river. They are taking up space.

Councilmember Barker: obviously they used to use them for the garden party, I do know that several of them were on Main Street. They went away, obviously like you said I think donating them is great but as far as giving them to them.

Councilmember Brown: I need to abstain from this discussion on the benches I am on the board for the Mission.

Mayor Michalson: thank you, and Stephen they said that they would like them donated. They also donated a bike rack to us.

Stephen Lassiter: yes, they did. If you did want to keep a couple and put back on Main Street that is okay and if you want to put them in certain areas.

Councilmember Barker: I just did not know where they had gone.

Jenelle Berthoud: some of the business called and asked for them to be removed and they were putting their own things out in front.

Mayor Michalson: the bottom line is Steve since he has been here all that he has done is pick them up take them over to the Mission and back. That is when the idea came up.

Councilmember Barker: that is the thing will they let us borrow them back, maybe there should be an agreement.

Mayor Michalson: I am sure that they could work that out.

Councilmember Smith: I move to donate park benches from Lewis & Clark Park to the Historic St Mary's Mission.

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: how many do we have? And what are they made of?

Stephen Lassiter: about 15. Poly plastic and wood.

Councilmember Smith: they are made out of plastic, and if we had them on Main Street and they broke we could be liable.

Stephen Lassiter:

Mayor Michalson: further discussion? Public comment?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vicki Motley: this never came in front of the park board. We were never asked, at Father Ravalli Park there are two benches I think, and they roam all over the park for shade. I think that it is horrible. Give the park board an opportunity to see if there are other places, they are used all the time at Father Ravalli Park. I think that you should not give them away.

Councilmember Smith: the benches that you are talking about at Father Ravalli Park are these the plastic ones?

Vicki Motley: same ones.

Stephen Lassiter: to my point, they move everywhere.

Jeff Motley: you are right, if they are going to be at the river they will be in it.

Vicki Motley: they do not leave the park at Father Ravalli.

Jeff Motley: I think that we should give the park board a chance to look at the inventory.

Councilmember Smith: I table this until the park board has an opportunity to check this out.

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Further discussion? Seeing none, Jenelle take the vote.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Brown: abstain.

Councilmember Nelson: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 3-1

8. Board Reports

Councilmember Brown: I did fill in at the airport board. just a couple of things, I did remind the board that they need to appoint some one to take the minutes. Something that I learned is that there is no funding for the fuel tank.

Councilmember Nelson: Park board meeting, we have repairs and maintenance needed around the basketball courts. Cracks around the cement around the skate park area are close to causing accidents. Additions made to the skate park. Sponsorships, concerts on the property at Lewis and Clark Park, cone hole tournaments things to bring revenue into the park.

9. Town Council Comments

Councilmember Brown: I want to remind people when you are replying to emails think about it before you reply all. It is a violation that when you reply all when Jenelle has sent an email. If you need something to go to all of the councilmembers, take it back to Jenelle and she can send it out.

Mayor Michalson: Jenelle brakes the chain.

Councilmember Barker: I want to thank the scarecrow festival; the town was full on Friday and Saturday night. There were streets full of cars, looked like more than Creamery. Thank you, public works, for setting up the stages.

10. Executive Report

Mayor Michalson: as you know I went to an MMIA conference last week, it was very informative. It was mainly for vendors, but a lot of good information. Information on Air B&B's a lot of towns do not have regulations around them, so we will work on that this winter. Information about mapping our cemeteries. Actually Andrena, Jenelle and Steve have already started. If we were to loose them it would be awful, they say if the town was on fire, you grab the maps first. It is a mess, thank you Jenelle and Andrena it will come down to going out there and checking them all. I spoke with rural water, and they will come and help us with certifications, and we have Cody taking his test now. Fall clean up continues, we are two men down. Glenn has retired and so there is just Steve, Matt and Jeff. Had a meeting with HDR on the remaining ARPA funds and the meter pits on Pine Street. Emerine Construction do not want to come back so we will probably have to put out an RFP for that. You asked Gina for an extension on this.

Gina Crowe: I have been in touch.

Mayor Michalson: I have a letter to read from Emerine, they do not want to come back and do the touch up work on Mission, Eli Malloy with HDR sent a letter to Kip with Emerine. (read the letter that was sent to Emerine Construction, it had to do with construction times and asked for an updated schedule to complete the project). MR asphalt they came and finished up and since there is a cost savings we will look at the drainage issues at Peterson Street, then down the street a spot to correct. Held a water rights meeting today with Jared Bean, Ross Miller, Stephen, Jenelle, Cindy Brown and myself. Working on a change order for Well 1 and then there is a plan B.

11. Adjournment

Councilmember Smith: motion.

Councilmember Nelson: 2nd.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

**Bob Michalson, Mayor
Clerk**

Jenelle S. Berthoud, Town

File Attachments for Item:

- a. Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2023/2024



Stevensville Town Council Meeting

Agenda Item Request

To be submitted BEFORE Noon on the Wednesday immediately preceding the Thursday agenda publishing deadline (8-days ahead of the meeting).

Agenda Item Type:	Public Hearing
Person Submitting the Agenda Item:	Bob Michalson
Second Person Submitting the Agenda Item:	Finance Department
Submitter Title:	Mayor
Submitter Phone:	
Submitter Email:	
Requested Council Meeting Date for Item:	10/24/2024
Agenda Topic:	Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2023/2024
Backup Documents Attached?	Yes
If no, why not?	
Approved/Disapproved?	Approved
If Approved, Meeting Date for Consideration:	10/24/2024
Notes:	

RESOLUTION NO. 558

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STEVENSVILLE,
MONTANA, PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENTS OF THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 2023-2024**

WHEREAS, the Stevensville Town Council adopted the budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 by Resolution No. 524; and

WHEREAS, the Building Code Enforcement Fund will exceed the appropriations originally set in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget by \$4,377.53; and

WHEREAS, an increase in spending authority is necessary to cover the exceeded appropriations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Stevensville, Montana that the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget be amended as follows:

Expenditure Increase Fund 2394 Building Code Enforcement \$4,400.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-mentioned increases will cover all non-appropriated expenses for the year.

WHEREAS, the Planning Fund will exceed the appropriations originally set in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget by \$1,663.35; and

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WHEREAS, the Fireman’s Disability Fund will exceed the appropriations originally set in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget by \$2,4783.00; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Stevensville, Montana that the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget be amended as follows:

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 7-6-4006, MCA, the Town Council of the Town of Stevensville, Montana has held a public hearing on this proposed amendment,

Passed and adopted by the Town Council and Mayor of the Town of Stevensville the 24th day of October 2024.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Bob Michalson, Mayor

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File Attachments for Item:

- a. Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 557 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana to Establish Irrigation and Sprinkling Days & Times



Stevensville Town Council Meeting

Agenda Item Request

To be submitted BEFORE Noon on the Wednesday immediately preceding the Thursday agenda publishing deadline (8-days ahead of the meeting).

Agenda Item Type:	Unfinished Business
Person Submitting the Agenda Item:	Bob Michalson
Second Person Submitting the Agenda Item:	
Submitter Title:	Mayor
Submitter Phone:	
Submitter Email:	
Requested Council Meeting Date for Item:	10/24/2024
Agenda Topic:	Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 557 a Resolution of the Town of Stevensville, Montana to Establish Irrigation and Sprinkling Days & Times
Backup Documents Attached?	Yes
If no, why not?	
Approved/Disapproved?	Approved
If Approved, Meeting Date for Consideration:	10/24/2024
Notes:	<p>This resolution was brought to the Town Council Meeting on 10/10/2024. The resolution failed and was asked to be brought back with its changes. Hose watering from 7 pm to 6 pm.</p> <p>Ordinance No. 133, section 13.04.120, irrigation and sprinkling states that the municipality reserves the right to set hours and days for irrigation and sprinkling for all customers it also states under section 13.04.160, penalty for violating any provision of this chapter. Exhibit A has been included with Resolution No. 557 for reference.</p>

RESOLUTION NO. 557
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF STEVENSVILLE, MONTANA TO ESTABLISH
IRRIGATION AND SPRINKLING DAYS & TIMES

WHEREAS, the Town of Stevensville, Montana pursuant to Ordinance No. 133, Section 13.04.120, Irrigation and Sprinkling (See Exhibit A); and

WHEREAS, the municipality reserves the right to set hours and days for irrigation and sprinkling for all customers; and

WHEREAS, the following days are set for irrigation and sprinkling:

EVEN ADDRESSES: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

ODD ADDRESSES: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

WHEREAS, the following times are set for irrigation and sprinkling:

HOSE WATERING: 7 a.m.–Noon & ~~7 p.m.~~ 6 pm–10 p.m.

AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS: 12:01 a.m.–6 a.m.

WHEREAS, the following days and times irrigation and sprinkling are not permitted:

NO WATERING ON SUNDAYS.

DO NOT WATER BETWEEN NOON & 7 P.M.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the irrigation and sprinkling days and times be set, and any person found to be violating any provision of the days and times may incur a penalty as stated in Ordinance No. 133 Section 13.04.160, Penalty. (See Exhibit A.)

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Stevensville, Montana, this 24th day October 2024.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Bob Michalson, Mayor

Jenelle S. Berthoud, Town Clerk

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Stevensville Town Council Meeting

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Submitter Title:	Mayor
Submitter Phone:	
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Requested Council Meeting Date for Item:	10/24/2024
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Backup Documents Attached?	Yes
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Approved/Disapproved?	Approved
If Approved, Meeting Date for Consideration:	10/24/2024
Notes:	A public hearing notice was placed in the local newspaper and a public hearing is being held on 10/24/2024 town council meeting to take public comment on the amendments to the budget for fiscal year 2023/2024.

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