

REGULAR MEETING
KAYCEE TOWN HALL
August 13, 2024
7:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor: Barry Gehrig. Council: Tom Knapp, Kelsey Anderson, Bob Furnival, and Hunter Rouse. Law Enforcement: Deputy Ken Richardson and Deputy Caleb Campbell. Clerk: Kristen LeDoux. Public Works: Taylor Rouse and Tanner Kirchhoff. Attorney: Zane Hengel.

Mayor Gehrig called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Mr. Rouse gave the monthly maintenance report. The main line leaks have been repaired. The water usage is averaging 50,000 gallons per day. Midco will be here in September for the sewer lagoon curtain installation. Apex Plumbing is scheduled to install a backflow preventer and meter at the firehall. The snowplow is ready for the winter. Rural Water visited recently and provided some resources for education and training.

LAW ENFORCEMENT: Deputy Ken Richardson gave the report for July and introduced Deputy Caleb Campbell to the Council. Councilman Furnival asked about the speed limit on Nolan Avenue. Deputy Richardson said that since it is a state highway it is set by WYDOT.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fauber Grazing Lease: The Council was presented with a renewal grazing lease. Councilman Knapp moved to approve the lease as presented. Councilman Furnival seconded. Motion carried.

Utility Rate Proposal: The Council was presented with proposed utility rate increases to keep the funds self sufficient with increasing expenses. An average utility bill would be \$99.25 per month with the proposed increase. Councilman Knapp moved to approve the rates as presented. Councilwoman Anderson seconded. Motion carried. Rates will not increase until new resolutions have been created and a public hearing has been held for input from the community.

Metron Meters: The Council discussed the meter presentation from the previous meeting. Councilwoman Anderson moved to approve purchasing ten of the new meters to try before replacing all of them. Councilman Knapp seconded. Motion carried.

Updates/Correspondence:

- Mayor Gehrig asked about trees on private property that need maintenance and what the liability could potentially be for the Town.
- Councilman Furnival asked about the process of enforcing weed control as they are a fire danger. Compliance letters can be sent as a first step in the process.

OLD BUSINESS:

Liquor Ordinances: Councilman Knapp requested that liquor ordinances be reviewed at the next regular meeting for needed updates.

Water Wells: Councilman Knapp asked if the well would be pulled this fall to make repairs. It will be scheduled.

LEGAL ISSUES:

Water Tank Warranty: Mr. Hengel will send a letter to the water tank manufacturer regarding the corrosion issues and warranty coverage.

MINUTES: Councilwoman Anderson moved to approve the minutes from the July 23rd regular meeting as presented. Councilman Knapp seconded. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ms. LeDoux presented the Council with a year-to-date financial report. Councilman Knapp moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Councilman Furnival seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: The following bills were audited and approved for payment: 2J Services, Contract Labor - \$700.00; AT&T, Utilities - \$55.39; Atlas Premier Services, Rental/Lease - \$62.30; Bald Mountain Sanitation, Contract Labor - \$900.00; Blue Cross Blue Shield, Group Insurance - \$3,142.80; Buffalo Porta Potty, Rental/Lease - \$175.00; Casper Monument Company, Repairs/Maintenance - \$5,000.00; City of Casper, Dues/Fees - \$1,030.25; Elm Construction, Repairs/Maintenance - \$603.84; Ferguson Waterworks, Repairs/Maintenance - \$1,803.20; Frandson Safety, Testing - \$397.05; Johnson County Clerk, Contracts - \$4,166.67; Johnson County Solid Waste, Dues/Fees - \$187.50; Montana Dakota Utilities, Utilities - \$129.41; Powder River Energy Corporation, Utilities - \$2,485.00; Powder River Heating and Air Conditioning, Repairs/Maintenance - \$319.05; Range, Utilities - \$348.87; Taylor Trucking, Contract Labor - \$750.00; Wyoming Network, Publishing - \$25.00. Councilman Knapp moved to approve the bills as presented. Councilwoman Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

Adjournment: With no further business the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Barry Gehrig, Mayor

Kristen LeDoux, Town Clerk