

REGULAR MEETING
KAYCEE TOWN HALL
January 14th, 2014
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Council Members: Chuck Collins, Gus Hill, Jennifer Lompe, and Crosby Taylor. Mayor: Tom Knapp. Maintenance Foreman: Russell Cohee. Police Chief: Lee Kremers. Town Attorney: Barry Crago. Town Clerk: Becky Schiermiester. Public: Sadie Cohee and Sue Jarrard.

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

Maintenance Report: Mr. Russell Cohee updated the council of the recent water leaks outside the town limits and the progress of the repairs that are needed on the water tank located east of town.

Police Report: Police Chief Kremers distributed his monthly police report and entertained questions from the council. The chief also informed the council of the recent problems with dogs at large.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rise and Shine Learning Center – Ms. Sadie Cohee gave an overview of the new learning center and requested occupancy of the rooms that were previously occupied by Kaycee Kountry Preschool at the Red Wall Community Center. The council requested that a lease agreement be drawn for the Rise and Shine Learning Center. The council also granted Ms. Cohee access to the rooms, so that when her license is approved she will be able to open immediately for business.

Water Tap – The council recognized Ms. Sue Jarrard. Ms. Jarrard inquired when the Town of Kaycee began requiring the owner of a property to incur the costs of excavating and installing a water meter pit. The council stated that Kaycee Town Ordinance 26.08.080 specifically states that “The contractor shall be responsible for all excavation and installation, except the Town shall make the actual tap to the water main.”

Licensing Cats – The council discussed the recent outbreak of feral cats looting garbage cans and thus littering the alleys. The council discussed setting live traps to alleviate the problem and the possibility of requesting residents to license their cats in order to distinguish feral cats from pets.

Letter of Approval – Mr. Crosby Taylor, representing Taylor’s Invasion Bar, requested a letter of approval to present to the Johnson County Commissioners to cater the Blue Jean Ball, which will be held at the fairgrounds in Johnson County, Wyoming on Saturday, February 1st, 2014. There being no public comment, Councilwoman Lompe moved to approve the letter of approval for Taylor’s Invasion Bar, seconded by Councilman Hill. *Vote: Councilmember’s Collins, Hill, and Lompe voting aye and Councilman Taylor abstaining. **Approved.***

Catering Permit – Mr. Crosby Taylor, representing Taylor’s Invasion Bar, requested a catering permit to cater the Sandy Forbes Benefit, which will be held at the Harold Jarrard Park in Kaycee, Wyoming on Saturday, February 22nd, 2014. There being no

public comment, Councilwoman Lompe moved to approve the catering permit for Taylor's Invasion Bar, seconded by Councilman Collins. *Vote: Councilmember's Collins, Hill, and Lompe voting aye and Councilman Taylor abstaining. **Approved.***
2014 WAM Winter Workshop Voting Delegate – Councilman Hill moved to approve Mayor Knapp as the official voting delegate at the 2014 WAM Winter Workshop, seconded by Councilwoman Lompe. *Vote: 4 ayes. **Approved.***

Building Permits – The council was presented with a building permit request from Mr. James Swart. Mr. Swart is requesting permission to pour a foundation and set a modular home on his property located on lot numbers twelve and two A in the Cunningham Addition, at 219 Middle Fork Court. Councilman Taylor moved to approve the building permit submitted by Mr. James Swart for lot numbers twelve and two A located in the Cunningham Addition, at 219 Middle Fork Court, seconded by Councilman Collins. ***Motion Carried.***

Updates – The mayor and council discussed Mr. Michael Dolbare's upcoming job evaluation.

The mayor updated the council on the request that the town has made to the State Lands and Investments board for the street repairs. Mayor Knapp stated that he will be in Cheyenne at the board of directors meeting of S.L.I.B. to answer any potential questions the board may have about the project.

Mayor Knapp encouraged the council to review the current landfill rates and consider the idea of raising the rates to help offset the rising costs of the solid waste expenses.

The mayor and council also discussed some budgeting issues to start considering for the next fiscal year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water Tank Repairs – The mayor and council discussed the progress of the repairs to the auxiliary water tank.

Playground Equipment – The council was informed that the Kaycee Kountry Preschool is requesting approximately \$2,000.00 - \$2,500.00 for the remaining playground equipment at the Red Wall Community Center. Mayor Knapp stated that he would discuss the matter further with one of the representatives for the preschool and present his findings at the next council meeting.

Updates – Mayor Knapp and the council discussed various R.W.C.C. issues, street light repairs, bulk water rates, and the new website for the Town of Kaycee.

LEGAL ISSUES:

The council requested that Mr. Crago review some of the water line easement agreements.

MINUTES: Councilman Taylor moved to accept the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting held on December 10th, 2013, with the correction regarding the motion on the approval of bills. Councilwoman Lompe seconded. ***Motion Carried.***

Councilman Hill moved to accept the minutes for the Special Council Meeting held on December 23rd, 2013, as presented. Councilwoman Lompe seconded. ***Motion Carried.***

TREASURER’S REPORT: Ms. Schiermiester presented the council with an expense/income report, a profit and loss report, and a balance sheet for the month of December. Councilwoman Lompe moved to accept the treasurer’s report, seconded by Councilman Collins. ***Motion Carried.***

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

The following bills were audited and approved for payment:

AlSCO, Maintenance - \$185.10; Ameri-Tech Equipment, Repairs - \$1,378.75; AT&T, Telephones - \$316.67; Bartlett, Anita, Auditing Fee - \$500.00; Blue Cross Blue Shield, Insurance - \$2,248.02; City of Casper, Fees - \$645.30; Frandson Safety, Inc., Maintenance - \$32.00; Hose & Rubber, Repairs - \$13.71; Kaycee General Store, Supplies - \$70.76; Kaycee Community Voice, Public Notice - \$30.00; Montana-Dakota Utilities, Utilities - \$1,358.99; National Band & Tag Co., Supplies - \$51.45; Powder River Energy, Utilities - \$2,385.00; Redneck Transport, Contract - \$375.00; RT Communications, Telephones - \$306.77; Stotz Equipment, Repairs - \$324.20; Superior Lamp, Inc., Supplies - \$693.51; Team Laboratory, Supplies - \$23.00; Titan Machinery, Repairs - \$164.60; Tom’s Tire & Repairs, Repairs - \$263.46; TWEnterprises, Inc., Maintenance - \$1,724.30; VISA, Meals/Repairs/Supplies - \$963.26; Waterworks Industries, Repairs - \$70.50; WWC Engineering, Contract - \$176.84; Wyoming Association of Municipalities, Fees - \$220.00; Wyoming Bank and Trust Co., Long-Term Liability - \$30,787.50; Wyoming Department of Employment, Payroll Liability - \$63.00; Wyomingnetwork.com., Fees - \$100.00; Xerox, Rental Equipment - \$264.52.

Adjournment: With no further business the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Tom Knapp, Mayor

Becky Schiermiester, Town Clerk