Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 7, 2022

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on March 7, 2022. Those in attendance were Council Members Gale Strandlund, Laurie Young, Gregg Labatte, and Tyler Harris. Also present was Mayor, Sheri Crain and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm and recognized the guest present. Minutes from the February 14, 2022 meeting were read. Council member Tyler Harris made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works Director Report: Odean was not present to give a public works report. Mayor Crain reported that Odean had to take a small amount of time off but continues to do his daily checks. LeAnn reported that Odean may also be taking some time off to try to use up some accumulated vacation time earned.

Roosevelt County Sheriff’s Report: There was no one present to report on behalf of the Roosevelt County Sheriff's Department. LeAnn reported there was recently a night security check done at the Town office.

Old Business:

BaRSAA Allocation Project Ideas: LeAnn informed Council the 2022 BaRSAA Allocation available for the Town of Froid is $12,282.97. She will draft a Resolution for the April meeting to request the funds. Council discussed possible uses for the funds. An on-going area of concern is the street running next to Agland. Mayor Crain will contact Franz Construction for an estimate or for ideas on how that area may be repaired and maintained.

Advertising for Public Works Director: Mayor Crain reported that we will continue to advertise for the Public Works Director position. There have been a couple inquiries about the position but no applications received.

Review of Water, Sewer, and Garbage Accts: Council looked over the delinquent accounts. A new bill will be going out tomorrow. For those on the list that have not responded to calls or letters, door hangers will be distributed.

New Business:

Satisfaction of 2015 DEQ Wastewater Consent Order: Mayor Crain read the Case Closure letter the Town received from the DEQ regarding the satisfaction of the Consent Order issued in 2015 for violations in the wastewater system. The letter stated the successful completion of the lagoon project satisfied the terms of the Consent Order.

Final Rule for Use of ARPA Funds: Clerk LeAnn Johnson read a portion of an email indicating that the Treasury Department finalized its ARPA rules recently, allowing local governments in Montana to use its remaining direct allocation ARPA funds for the provision of general government services. Council discussed possible projects for use of the funds. A new computer for the office, as well as use in combination with BaRSAA funds on a street project were discussed.

Building Permits: There were no new building permits to present.

Review of Claims for Approval of Payment: Mayor Crain asked Council to look over the claims for March. After review, Tyler Harris made a motion for the clerk to remit payment on all claims. Laurie Young seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Other Business: Mayor Crain reported the Town tree pile was recently burned. Gregg Labatte has offered to take care of the debris left behind.

With no further business, Mayor Crain adjourned the meeting at 7:24 pm. The next regular Council meeting will be April 11, 2022.

Mayor: Clerk: