HATCH TOWN BOARD MEETING

July 17, 2023

Town Board Present: Mayor Jim Kabonic, Kevin Eldredge, Andrea Barney, Kurt Sawyer & Jon Spendlove

Staff: Jacie Torgersen, Betty Kabonic and Jaycen Walter came at 7:30pm.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Kabonic began the meeting at 7:05pm with Jacie Torgersen offering the opening prayer and Mayor Kabonic leading those present in the pledge.

2. Approval of June 21, 2023 Minutes

Councilor Sawyer motioned to approve the minutes and Councilor Eldredge 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

3. Review June Invoices, checks & financial report

Councilor Sawyer motioned to approve the expenditures and Councilor Eldredge 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

3.2 Extra Monthly Invoices

There was one extra invoice to Nickerson Pump Co for the well for \$25,768.

4. Public Hearings

5. Petitions, Remonstrations and Communications

5.1 Garfield County Junior Livestock Donation

Councilor Eldredge motioned to donate \$250 for ½ page ad for the Town of Hatch and Councilor Barney 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

6. Ordinances

6.1 Resolution 2023-06 Adopting Final Tax Rates

Councilor Sawyer motioned to approve the 2023 tax rates and Councilor Barney 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

7. Report of Officers – boards – committees

7.1 Water Department - Water Usage

2,856,400 gallons of water was used from well #5 from June 15th – July 15th. 3,000 gallons of that amount was flushing out the lines after the repairs.

7.1.a Cross Connection Training

Tyler Mendenhall will need to be certified by the end of this year in a newly required cross connection training. This will be a 2-day training that he will need to take and the cost will be \$750. Councilor Eldredge motioned to approve the funding for him to get this required training and Councilor Sawyer 2nd the motion.

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7.2 Fire Department-

Sean McLaughlin who owns a house in Hatch would like to join the fire department. He works in St. George on the fire department and will help out in Hatch when he is here.

7.3 Road Department-

7.3.a Snow Plow

Councilor Sawyer is working on 2 more bids for the snow plow. The town has one from Utah Outdoor Power and he is working on another one for Larry H Miller for the same plow installed. He hasn't been able to find somewhere else to get another bid it would have to be online but then it wouldn't be installed.

7.3.b Town Road patching/repair

Councilor Sawyer asked about getting the town dump truck repaired. Easten Torgersen took it up to school at Snow College this week so they can work on it in their automotive class and see if they can get it repaired to use at the cemetery this weekend.

7.4 Parks & Recreation-

7.4.a 24th celebration

Councilor Barney has a lot of food in the kitchen already for the 24th. The rest of the food will be delivered in Hatch on Thursday. She still needs paper sacks for the meat, Betty Kabonic said she would take care of those. She also needs someone to pick up 40 lbs. dry ice and 10 gallons of milk.

The meat will be wrapped at 5pm on Friday and the Indian dancing can take place at 6pm. Betty Kabonic will take care of having cash boxes and change ready. The Walter boys will do the flag ceremony for the morning. Maggie Martinez is going to do a tug of war contest across the river that afternoon and have sign-ups during the morning festivities. Misti Leonard will take care of the kids races at the park after the parade. Councilor Barney ordered the hats and shirts from Matt Houston instead of the jail and she will pick them up later this week. It was \$8/shirts and \$10/hat. The prices of roasts went up .10 a pound this year. The extra roasts will be sold for \$35.

7.5 Grants-

The council would like to have a copy of the water study sent out again and see if Mr. White could come to our next meeting to see what options the town could pursue for funding in upgrading the water system.

7.6 Planning & Zoning Commission

A building project approval permit has been signed for Kim Burrows.

It was decided that a building permit is not needed for building a porch on a home.

7.7 Cemetery

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Arthur Lebaron is working on the map for the cemetery. His is supposed to be letting the cemetery board know if he would prefer to be paid in cash through the grant money or by trading plots at the cemetery.

8. Public Input

A concern was brought up last month about enforcing rules in town and one of the items was looked into further. Gordon Hilton is renting out 6 rooms on his license. The town used to have a section in their books that you could not rent out more than 5 rooms for the property would be considered commercial. His property is actually zoned agricultural and that section in the books is no longer. It actually states that there is one vacation rental allowed on one piece of property under one license. Mr. Hilton's business was in place before this change was made so he is grandfathered in but he will not be allowed to have any more on his property.

9. Unfinished or New Business

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 17th instead of on Wednesday which is the first day of school.

10. Adjournment

Councilor Eldredge motioned to adjourn and Councilor Sawyer 2nd the motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

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