Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

August 12, 2019

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on August 12, 2019. Those present were Council Members Gregg Labatte, Dan Mogen, Dan Kjelshus, and Gale Strandlund. Also present was Public Works Director, Odean Kilsdonk and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. Visitors were recognized and signed the attendance sheet. Minutes from the July 15, 2019 regular council meeting were read. Dan Mogen made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works Director Report: Odean reported that he has been working on the street sweeper and it is in running condition now. Repairs will need to be done to the tires. Mayor Crain inquired about the flushing of the hydrants. Odean and Councilman Strandlund will get together this week to get it done.

Sheriff’s Report: There was no one present to report on behalf of the Roosevelt County Sheriff’s Department.

Old Business:

Wastewater System Update-Update from Great West Engineering: Mayor Crain read an update from Great West Engineering on the progress at the Lagoon. To date, 21 Construction has been mainly working on muck excavation in the large existing pond. The first construction progress meeting will be at 2:00 on August 22, 2019 at the Froid Library. Anyone with questions or concerns is encouraged to attend.

Community Center Heating and Cooling Funding Update: Mayor Crain reported that the Town continues to work on paying down the balance left on the Sheridan Heating and Cooling bill.

Community Center Roof Repairs-Look Over Bids: Mayor Crain reported that she contacted Woody’s Construction and Three Pyramids Construction to see who would be able to complete the roof repairs the soonest. The bid was awarded Woody’s Construction, as they could start September 1st and have a crew of 7 workers. The shingles have been ordered.

Review of Accounts Receivables: Delinquencies were reviewed. Letters will be sent out and phone calls made to those on the list.

Financial Review Bids-FYE 2019: Council looked over the bid proposals from Denning, Downey and Associates, P.C. and from Ross Stalcup, P.C. Clerk LeAnn Johnson stated that she was happy with her past working relationship with Ross Stalcup, P.C. After discussion, Dan Kjelshus made the motion to hire Ross Stalcup, P.C to perform the FYE 2019 Financial Review. Greg Labatte seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

**Resolution No. 20019-4:** Mayor Crain read Resolution No. 2019-4 – a Resolution of intention of the Town of Froid, Montana to modify the basis on which solid waste charges are imposed and to increase rates and charges for the users of the municipal solid waste services. Mayor Crain explained this resolution is an intention to raise the rates and the next step will be to advertise for a public hearing for the rate increase. After discussion, Galse Strandlund made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-4 as written. Gregg Labatte seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Resolution No. 2019-5:** Mayor Crain read Resolution No. 2019-5 – a Resolution of intention of the Town of Froid, Montana to modify the basis on which sewer rates are charged and to increase the rates for the users of the municipal sewer system. After discussion, Gregg Labatte made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-5 as written. Dan Kjelshus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Resident Concerns: Tana Johnson was present and requested a street sign by her property be moved. She also voiced her concerns about a garage behind her house that she feels is sitting in the location where the alley should run. Mayor Crain stated that the Town still intends to open the alley and reclaim it as a public right-of-way and said she would still really like to see the survey Mrs. Johnson says she has showing she owns the portion of the lot where the Town plans to open as a public right-of way.

Budget Items FYE 2020- set budget hearing: A public budget hearing for FYE 2020 needs to take place prior to Thursday, September 5, 2019 and will need to be advertised for 2 weeks. With Labor Day falling on September 2nd, the public budget hearing was set for Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

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

Review of Claims for Approval of Payment: After review of claims for the month of August, Dan Kjeshlus made a motion for the clerk to remit payment. Gale Strandlund seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next regular council meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on September 9, 2019.

Mayor: Clerk: