Minutes

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 14, 2022

The minutes of the Froid Town Council at the Froid Community Center on February 14, 2022. Those in attendance were Council Members Gale Strandlund and Laurie Young, with Councilman Tyler Harris joining mid-meeting. Also present was Mayor, Sheri Crain and Town Clerk, LeAnn Johnson.

Mayor Crain called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm and recognized the guest present. Due to the lack of a quorum, Mayor Crain changed the order of the agenda to save action items for when a quorum would be present.

Agenda item #8: Dry Prairie Update: Mayor Crain reported that she attended the public hearing held at Dry Prairie Rural Water in Culbertson on February 3. She explained that Dry Prairie will be losing some government funding sources once the construction phase is complete on their projects, necessitating the rate increase. She stated the increase in water rates will take place in June 2022.

Agenda item #5: Sheriff’s Report: There was no one present to report on behalf of the Roosevelt County Sheriff's Department. Mayor Crain stated that she has been informed that a Deputy is residing in Froid. Guest Penny Ryder confirmed that Deputy Sharbono is currently living in one of her properties.

Agenda item #4: Public Works Director Report: Odean was not present to give a public works report. Mayor Crain reported that he has been moving snow and has had to work on a leak in a water meter pit recently. She also reported the Town has begun advertising for the Public Works Director position.

Agenda item #6: Roosevelt County ARPA Award: Mayor Crain reported that both grant requests for ARPA funds submitted by the Town to the County were approved by the Roosevelt County Commissioners. Council was given a copy of the Commissioners meeting minutes showing the curb valve replacement grant will be funded in the amount of $4,983.20 as well as the wastewater manhole replacement project in the amount of $12,000. The Town will be responsible for the 25% match.

Councilman Tyler Harris arrived, fulfilling the quorum requirement for voting.

Mayor Crain welcomed both new Council members. She asked LeAnn to read the minutes from the December 14, 2021 meeting. Council member Strandlund made a motion to accept the December 14, 2021 minutes as read. Tyler Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried. There were no minutes from January 2022, as there was no meeting due to the lack of a quorum and lack of agenda items.

Review of Water, Sewer, and Garbage Accts: Council looked over the delinquent accounts. Mayor Crain explained that letters are typically mailed to those with delinquent accounts, as well as a phone call made by either LeAnn or Mayor Crain. For those on the list that have not responded, door hangers will be distributed.

New Business:

New BaRSAA Allocation: LeAnn explained to Council that the town recently received a notice of their 2022 BaRSAA City Fuel Tax Allocation. The amount will be $12,282.97. There is money that has been carried over from previous allocations that can be combined with the new allocation for a street or alley project. LeAnn explained that a resolution for the use of the funds is typically passed in April, so Council can be thinking about possible projects.

Community Center Heating Maintenance: Mayor Crain reported that Sheridan Heating and Cooling recently had to do some maintenance and recharging of the heating system at the Community Center. The librarian was without heat for a few days, but the necessary repairs were able to me made in a timely manner.

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

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

With no further business, Mayor Crain adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm. The next regular Council meeting will be March 7, 2022.

 Mayor: Clerk: