

*Eureka Town Council Meeting
Eureka Town Hall --- Eureka, Montana
Monday, March 11, 2019*

Present AND Constituting a Quorum:

Mayor	LeeAnn Schermerhorn
Council Members	Rosalie Aduato, Kevin Jefferies, Ethel White, Scott Bernhard
Town Clerk	Lisa Flynn

Visitors: Nikki Meyer, Tracy McIntyre, Blanche Flannagan, Krysten Fitzsimmons, Angela Bowland, Julie Williams

Mayor Schermerhorn called the council meeting to order at 7:00 pm

PUBLIC COMMENT on agenda items. None.

Rosalie Aduato made a motion to approve the minutes with a spelling correction, seconded by Ethel White, carried all ayes.

Ethel White made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

Reports. No comments

OLD BUSINESS:

Wastewater Project – Phase 1b. Tracy McIntyre said the council needs to reconsider the annual fee for the SRF loans for residents. The previously discussed \$60 will not be sufficient to cover the interest. The council may want to consider \$120. Mayor Schermerhorn suggested this fee could be looked at annually. Rosalie Aduato made a motion to charge a \$10 per month administration fee on SRF loan payments, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes. Ms. McIntyre distributed an updated project schedule. Due to funder requirements, bids have been delayed by 10 days. Bids are now due by the 20th of March. Ms. McIntyre explained the pre-qualification process and said she would like to conduct a one day training for the contractors. She is looking to hold an open house for community information on April 3rd. It was decided to schedule a special meeting on March 22nd at 2:30 p.m. for the council to review the pre-qualification contractor’s pool. Kevin asked how many contractors are interested. Ms. McIntyre said 10 to 12 have inquired. For those properties requiring grinder pumps, the first grinder pump will be paid for through the project, but the installation will not be paid. The specifications have been sent in for review. Two more easements will be needed with the Department of Transportation and Dale Roo. A meeting with the water and sewer committee will be needed.

Capital Improvement & Growth Policy Planning. Tracy McIntyre said the task orders have been written. We are receiving \$31,000 in grant funds which is \$10,000 less then what was expected. The Town has budgeted \$15,000. Sixteen applications have been received from people wanting to be on the steering committee, but there are none from Town residents. Ms. McIntyre recommends requesting more applications to try and get some from Town residents. The more diversity on the committee, the better. Kevin Jefferies said he would like to talk to some residents. The council would like to see more applications and make decisions at the Special Meeting on March 22nd.

Tobacco Road update. No new information. Will wait until after the Capital Improvement Plan.

Parks update. No new information

Police upgrades options. Tracy McIntyre said Bison Ford gave a price of \$42,000 and Eisinger Motors in Kalispell quoted \$39,000. Don K in Whitefish have not replied. Radio upgrades for the vehicles will cost \$22,000 to \$23,000. Rural Development has a grant of up to \$50,000. Kevin Jefferies made a motion to pursue all grant opportunities, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution No. 2019-765 - BARSAA. Mayor Schermerhorn explained the purpose of the BARSAA funds is the construction and maintenance of roads. The focus this year will be on road and drainage repairs at various locations around town including 6th Street. Kevin Jefferies made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-765, seconded by Ethel White, carried all ayes.

Sewer Ordinance – 1st Reading. Mayor Schermerhorn said that Town Attorney Clif Hayden was not able to make tonight's meeting. Ethel White made a motion to table the 1st reading to the April meeting, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

Bed races – Town Hall parking lot. Blanche Flanagan said the Eureka Chamber of Commerce requests the use of the Town Hall parking lot to set up for the bed races for Rendezvous. Kevin Jefferies made a motion to approve the request to use the Town Hall Parking lot to set up the bed races, seconded by Ethel White, carried all ayes.

VFW Memorial Day Banners. Ethel White made a motion to approve the two Memorial Day banners to be displayed at Memorial and Riverside Park for 27 days from May 1st through May 27th, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

Quilt Show Special Event. After discussion, Kevin Jefferies made a motion to approve the Eureka Montana Quilt Show on August 3rd and to place parking cones in front of the Thrift Store and Glen Lake Irrigation buildings to prevent parking at that location, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

Pinoy Oriental – sign permit. A sign permit for two Pinoy Oriental signs along Hwy 93 have already been approved. It was decided the sign on back of the adjacent building was an offsite sign, and not allowed. After reviewing the sign ordinance it was determined there could be one sign on the food truck up to 20% of the façade. The façade is considered the long side of the food truck that customers order from. Ethel White made a motion to approve a sign permit for the façade of the Pinoy Oriental food truck up to 4 ft x 6 ft in size, seconded by Kevin Jefferies, carried all ayes.

Farmers Market. Blanche Flanagan said the Farmers Market is planned to start on May 15th and continue every Wednesday to September 11th at Veteran's Memorial Park. Ethel White made a motion to approve the Farmers Market, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR COMMENTS. Ethel White said she would like the Town Hall to have a flag pole. Mayor Schermerhorn said she will look into getting one. Scott Bernhard asked about getting a

streetlight for Hwy 93 at 6th Street. He was told Lincoln Electric would need to be consulted as they own the streetlights.

PUBLIC COMMENT on non-agenda items. None.

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Schermerhorn adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

LEEANN SCHERMERHORN, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Flynn, Clerk/Treasurer