

*Eureka Town Council Meeting
Eureka Town Hall --- Eureka, Montana
Monday, March 9, 2020*

Present AND constituting a Quorum:

Mayor	LeeAnn Schermerhorn
Council Members	Ethel White, Scott Bernhard, Arthur Walters, Douglas Davies
Town Clerk	Lisa Flynn

Visitors: Theresa Schmuck, Nikki Meyer, Tammy Lawler, Miranda & Emma Hull, Kylie & Astrid & Keira Larson, Robin Hayes, Jonathon Netzloff, Maneli & Xahra Tumen, Tianna Thomas

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

PUBLIC COMMENT on agenda items. None.

Ethel White made a motion to approve the minutes with the name change of Arthur Davies to Arthur Walters, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes

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

Reports. No comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

Wastewater Project – Phase 1b. Mayor Schermerhorn read a brief update supplied by Toby McIntosh. Sandry Construction is planning to resume work on the project on March 30th, which was changed from March 9th. They will start on 11th Street at 6th Avenue East, and proceed along 11th Street toward 4th Avenue East. The first construction meeting will be on April 8th.

Capital Improvement & Growth Policy Planning. Mr. McIntosh’s report stated that Jackola has worked to summarize the inventory process and has developed a plan outline that discusses trends and issues. They have begun discussing goals and objectives for land use.

NEW BUSINESS:

Special Event – Girl Scout cookie booth. Kylie Larson requested approval for the Girl Scouts to use Veteran’s Memorial Park on March 27th and April 11th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the purpose of selling Girl Scout cookies. Douglas Davies made a motion to approve allowing the Girl Scouts to have a cookie booth at Veteran’s Memorial Park on March 27th and April 11th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

Banner Permit extension – Area 93. After review, Ethel White made a motion to approve the banner permit extension for Area 93 until May 1, 2020, seconded by Arthur Walters, carried all ayes.

Rendezvous Day events – Eureka Chamber of Commerce. Tammy Lawler requested permission to use Riverside Park for Rendezvous events which include the food court, beer garden and music. They would also like permission for the parade. They have already received permission from the Montana Highway Department to close Highway 93 for the parade and the bed races. Ethel White made a motion to approve the Rendezvous events requested for Riverside Park, seconded by Scott Bernhard, carried all ayes.

Sewer connection requests. Mayor Schermerhorn said there have been two requests to connect to the Eureka sewer system. Lincoln County has requested that the Fairgrounds be allowed to connect. To proceed, the council will need to approve starting the process of forming MOU with Lincoln County. Scott Bernhard made a motion to approve Mayor Schermerhorn, Clif Hayden and Toby McIntosh to begin the process of preparing an MOU with Lincoln County to allow the fairgrounds to connect to the Eureka sewer system, seconded by Douglas Davies, carried all ayes. Mayor Schermerhorn said the Forest Service complex would also like to connect to the sewer system. Scott Bernhard made a motion to authorize Mayor Schermerhorn, Clif Hayden and Toby McIntosh to begin the process of preparing an MOU with the Forest Service to allow the Forest Service complex to connect to the Eureka sewer system, seconded by Douglas Davies, Carried all ayes.

Set Work Session – Wildlife Ordinance. After discussion, the council decided they would schedule a work session on March 24th or March 31st.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR COMMENTS

Ethel White said that Lincoln Electric installed the new street signs and she brought cupcakes to the students that made the signs.

Douglas Davies said the council needs to address the issue brought to the council’s attention in the anonymous letter regarding the broken-down vehicle collection on Gibbons Garage property. Mr. Davies stated that there were also other areas of the Town that had similar issues. The council discussed the situation and various possible approaches. The consensus was that Town ordinances need to be reviewed.

Mayor Schermerhorn said that Greg Gianforte will be at the local VFW at 10:30 on March 16th for a presentation to Tom Price and Greg Grove. There has been an ad for a police officer placed since Nicole Gibson has resigned. We hope for a post certified individual.

PUBLIC COMMENT on non-agenda items. None.

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Schermerhorn adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

LEEANN SCHERMERHORN, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Flynn Clerk/Treasurer