

*Eureka Town Council Meeting
Eureka Town Hall --- Eureka, Montana
Monday, February 8, 2021*

Present AND constituting a Quorum:

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

Visitors: Pierce Barney, Melissa Brandon, Nikki Meyer, Telly Stanger

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

PUBLIC COMMENT on agenda items. None.

Scott Bernhard made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Doug Davies, carried all ayes.
Scott Bernhard made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Art Walters, carried all ayes.

Reports. No comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

Wastewater Project – Phase 1b. Mayor Schermerhorn read the report submitted by Town Engineer Toby McIntosh. Mr. McIntosh said he needs to give Tracy McIntyre assistance on closing with the funding agencies. He is working with the company bookkeeper to obtain the information to aid in closing. He has not heard anything from SRF regarding the acceptance of the O & M Manuals yet.

Capital Improvement & Growth Policy Planning. Toby McIntosh said he has emailed the minutes from the CIP meeting that occurred in January. They are working to refine/define the projects on this list. The survey work for the 6th Street intersection has been completed. The survey data will help in evaluating project options to be reviewed with the Town.

Mr. McIntosh also mentioned a request for a Municipal Facilities Exclusion, from Sam Cordi, for a boundary line adjustment just out of town limits. He indicated that the Town is not set up to sign off on MFE's since storm drainage is not reviewed by the Town Engineer. The Town could decide that this was something they want to take on and address the fees this may cost. Mr. McIntosh has not heard back from Sam Cordi regarding this issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lincoln Electric annual meeting. Melissa Brandon circulated copies of a map showing the area they were planning on having their annual meeting. The map showed the registration points and where streets would be closed during registration. Registration will be held from 8:00am to 9:00am. And may result in congested streets for a time. Police Chief Ian Jeffcock has said he does not have a problem with this plan.

After discussion, Scott Bernhard made a motion to approve the traffic plan by Lincoln Electric for their annual meeting, seconded by Art Walters, carried all ayes.

Additional signers on Court bank account. Mayor Schermerhorn explained that at this time the only legal signer for the court bank account (3776) was Stormy Langston, the Town Judge, and in case of emergency that could be a problem. Scott Bernhard made a motion to add Mayor LeeAnn Schermerhorn and Town Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Flynn as signers on the court bank account, seconded by Art Walters, carried all ayes.

Resolution No. 2021-785 BARSAs Funds Distribution. Mayor Schermerhorn explained that the funds are to repair roads and issues effecting roads such as drainage. The town has been saving the BARSAs funds to make repairs to the 1st Avenue and 6th Street intersection and have begun with the survey by the Town Engineer. Scott Bernhard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-785, seconded by Art Walters, carried all ayes.

COUNCIL AND MAYOR COMMENTS

Doug Davies said that since the voters approved recreational marijuana in Montana, there are other States that have made provisions for municipalities to propose a sales tax. Mayor Schermerhorn said she has not heard of anything regarding that yet, but will keep watching. Mr. Davies said he would like any sales tax revenue to go towards hiring another police officer. Mayor Schermerhorn said she has been tracking the Covid cases in North Lincoln County and they have been low with the last number reported being four. She stated that after consulting with Town Attorney Clif Hayden, she has the authority to rescind the emergency declaration the council approved last spring, and she will be doing so. Doug Davies disagreed, stating he believes the public should be included in that decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT on non-agenda items. None

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Schermerhorn adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

LEEANN SCHERMERHORN, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Flynn Clerk/Treasurer