Eureka Town Council

Public Hearing – Preliminary Budget

Eureka Town Hall --- Eureka, Montana

Monday, August 9, 2021

Mayor Schermerhorn opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 pm on the Preliminary Budget and asked if there was any public comment.

**Public Comment.** None.

Mayor Schermerhorn closed the Public Hearing.

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Present AND constituting a Quorum:

Mayor LeeAnn Schermerhorn

Council Members Ethel White, Arthur Walters, Douglas Davies, Jim Autrey

Town Clerk Lisa Flynn

Visitors: Chris Wilson

Mayor Schermerhorn called the council meeting to order at 7:05 pm

**PUBLIC COMMENT on agenda items.** None.

Ethel White made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Doug Davies, carried all ayes.

Doug Davies 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 Town Engineer Toby McIntosh’s report which stated that Mr. McIntosh has spoken with the Oil Supplier and Sandry Construction regarding pothole repairs. There are several options but he recommends to remove the double chip at the intersection of 10th and 6th around the manhole and patch with hot mix asphalt. He also recommends patching potholes with hot mix asphalt and then sealing with asphalt oil such as CRS-2P. He is coordinating this effort with Sandry.

**Capital Improvement & Growth Policy Planning.** Mr. McIntosh’s report said that he is requesting a Steering Committee meeting the week of 8/16 or 8/23 to obtain feedback prior to moving forward with the public meeting. He would encourage any feedback from the council.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance No. 2021-331.** – Mayor Schermerhorn explained that this Ordinance was to increase response time in the event of threat of fires and this is the first reading. Doug Davies made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-331, seconded by Ethel White, carried all ayes. There will be a second reading of the ordinance at the September meeting.

**Sign Permit – A Touch of Summer.** After review, Ethel White made a motion to approve the sign permit for A Touch of Summer, seconded by Doug Davies, carried all ayes.

**Preliminary Budget.** Mayor Schermerhorn asked if any council people had questions regarding the preliminary budget. She explained that would be changes in the final budget. There will be a Public Hearing before the meeting. Due to time constraints by the State, there may need to be a Special Meeting.

**Resolution No. 2021-790 To Set the Annual Tax Levy for FY22.** It was explained that mills are determined by the Taxable Value the State of Montana sends to the Town. There is a state form that is filled out that determines how many mills can be charged for the General, Insurance, and Fire Retirement Funds and the amount of money per mill. A separate form calculates the number of mills for Health Insurance. Art Walters made amotion to approve Resolution No. 2021-790 To Set the Annual Tax Levy for FY22, seconded by Doug Davies, carried all ayes.

C**OUNCIL AND MAYOR COMMENTS**

Ethel White asked if there were any developments regarding the Lincoln County Fairgrounds connecting to the Town of Eureka sewer system. The mayor said there are two possible options for connection locations. Town Engineer Toby McIntosh and the Public Works Department will decide which is best for the Town, and present that option to the County. There was discussion regarding the past attempts the Town has made to help facilitate the Lincoln County Fairgrounds connecting to the Town sewer system. The fairgrounds have had sewer issues for quite some time.

**PUBLIC COMMENT on non-agenda items.** None.

With nothing further to come before the council, Mayor Schermerhorn adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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LEEANN SCHERMERHORN, Mayor

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Lisa Flynn Clerk/Treasurer