

Burns Town Council
Meeting
April 11, 2016

The Burns Town Council met in regular session April 11, 2016. Members present were Mayor Ralph Bartels, Council Members Rocky Stoner, Betty Nussbaum, Dennis Bastian, and Harvey Humphrey. Also present was Town Clerk Toni McNamar, Town Maintenance Darius Mandel, John Thompson with Cheyenne Light Fuel and Power, Brian Everleth, Emily Stojak with Laramie Counts Sheriff's Department, Jeff Bartels, Sophia Arehart, Bernie with Burns Insurance Agency, Betty King, Scott Cowley and Jake Wilson with AVI, Commissioner Linda Heath, and Nathaniel with Blessed Hope Baptist Church.

At 7 pm Mayor Ralph Bartels called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was preformed. Mayor Bartels announced the meeting was being recorded.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

- March 14, 2016 council meeting minutes
- April 7, 2016 Council Work session
- Town Vouchers
- Town Treasurers Report
- Utility Vouchers

Council Member Humphrey moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Bastian seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Requests:

Bernie with Burns Insurance Agency was present to present the new property insurance policy for the 2016/2017 year. Bernie reported that Toni and Mark Anderson had reviewed the policy and made some changes decreasing the town premium by \$322.00. Council Member Nussbaum moved to accept the property insurance proposal from Burns Insurance Agency. Council Member Stoner seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Sophia Arehart was present to thank the Council for the space provided for the Room. "The Room" benefits many people and there are many great volunteers that help with the Room. We receive many donations and Sophia

rotates items out, once they have been here for awhile she then donates them to organizations in Cheyenne which also distributes the items for free.

Betty King reported that there is not enough room to put things in storage in “The Room”, so that is why we have to take items to Cheyenne. The Room is a great asset to the people of Burns. During the holiday The Room received \$2,000, with this money 60 families were provided holiday meals and 70 gifts were given to those in need.

Building Permit:

The Council was present with a building permit to build a green house at 303 S Prairie Ave. All set back had been met. Council Member Bastian moved to approve the building permit. Council Member Stoner seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Sheriff's Department Report:

Deputy Stojak reported that the Sheriff's Department had nothing to report and asked if anyone had any questions of her.

Ambulance Report:

Brian Everleth provided the Council with the requested list of those who responded to calls. Council Member Stoner inquired as to if this list could include total number of calls, calls actually responded to, and number patients transported. The Council would like this report monthly.

Mayor Bartels had a quote to put shocks on the ambulance. The quote was from Haller's Repair in the amount of \$755.32; there may be an additional charge of \$200 for a front end alignment. Council Member Humphrey moved to have Haller's Repair put the shocks on the ambulance. Council Member Bastian seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Brian reported that the ambulance service has no new coats or uniforms to give new EMTs and inquired about having a craft show on May 21st in the South gym from 10 – 3 with a \$25 table fee, all proceeds would go towards new uniforms and coats for the ambulance service. The Council was in agreement to allow this; Toni will check the availability of the gym since that is graduation weekend.

Brian Everleth reported that Fire District 6 will meet on Thursday night and Bob will let him know what the board decides on Firemen driving for Burns EMS.

Utility Board Report:

Utility Board Representative Humphrey reported that Lidstone is getting close to going out for bids for our A-7 well project and transmission lines.

Maintenance Report:

The maintenance report was reviewed. Darius reported that the roofers are still trying to find the issue with the fire alarm system; also the heater unit controls in the gym were damaged when water got into the building. The roofers are paying to have these replaced and the fire alarm system fixed. .

Darius reported that he needed to start cleaning up the tractor pull area and hauling stuff to the landfill before the tractor pull.

Darius reported that we would have town clean up the entire month of May. Put items to get rid of on the street side of your house and they will be picked up on Mondays and Thursdays. We will not pickup air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, tires, batteries paint, oil, or pesticides.

Clerks Report:

Town Clerk Toni McNamar reported that Rocky and she had been trying to get donations to replace the score board in the gym. Toni reported that we received several donations and with the extra funding we will have plaques made and hung next to the score board of those companies that donated funds for score board. The following donations were received:

Black Hills Energy	\$3750.00
Visit Cheyenne	\$1400.00
LCSD2 Recreation Grant	\$2000.00
LCSD2	\$3000.00

Mayors Report

Mayor Bartels reported that we had a new lease ready for the new café that will be opening on June 1st. The name of the café will be Burns Café.

Mayor Bartels read a letter from the school district thanking the town for giving them Jackson Street so that they can make it a two way street. The school district will take care of all maintenance on this street to include snow removal.

Mayor Bartels reported that Lidstone and Associates had requested a letter of Opinion from our town attorney stating that the town of Burns owned the property were the A-7 well and transmission lines would be located. Mayor Bartels reported that they had that letter and this project should be going out for bids shortly.

Mayor Bartels reported that he has had individuals approach him with interest in purchasing one of the Burn- Plex buildings, In order to consider this we would have to have the building appraised..

Council Reports:

Council Member Humphrey had nothing to report.

Council Member Bastian thanked Ted, Darius, and Toni for all that they do.

Council Member Nussbaum reported that she has individuals that will plant flowers in all of the pots again this year. Betty will not be purchasing the flowers and asked each individual to purchase their own flowers and the town would reimburse them up to \$40. The flowers will be planted between May 1st and May 15th. Council Member Stoner moved to allow Betty Nussbaum up to \$350 to reimburse those who are purchasing flowers for our planters. Council Member Humphrey seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Stoner reported that he has not heard back from the individual that was going to give us a quote on grinding out the bump on Main Street.

New Business:

The Council was presented with First Reading of Ordinance 18A.40 fiscal Year Budget 2016/2017 Annual Appropriations. Council Member Humphrey moved to approve first reading of Ordinance 18A.40 by title only. Council Member Bastian seconded this motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Bartels reported that we need to have our Six Penny projects and amount ready by August of 2016.

Scott Cowley has been working on the elevation mapping around town and had a presentation for the council. Scott Cowley reported that the town is very flat making storm sewers nearly impossible. We could put culvert in drive ways and run valley pans along the street sides, the issue with this would be keeping the valley pans free of debris. Mayor Bartels inquired as to where do we go from here. Engineer Scott Cowley will provide a cost estimate and a report before we decide if we want to move on with this project. Scott Cowley reported that a lot more surveying would be required.

Mayor Bartels reported that the first Sixth Penny Meeting will be on Tuesday night and that Matt Fields and he would be attending.

Adjourn:

At 8:48 pm Council Member Bastian moved to adjourn, the next meeting of the Burns Town Council is scheduled for May 9th, 2016 at 7 pm.

Announcements

- April 19th – 20th Town Hall Closed Water School
- April 27th 2 pm Cemetery board Meeting
- May 4th Town Hall Closed afternoon
- May 9th 6 pm Utility Board meeting
7 pm Council Meeting
- May 25 – May 30th town Hall closed.

Mayor Ralph Bartels

Attest:

Town Clerk Toni McNamar

