

TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Cowley in the County of Big Horn and State of Wyoming was held on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 8:30 PM in the Administration building pursuant to due notice and call.

The meeting was called to order and upon roll call, it was found that the following were present, constituting a quorum:

Mayor	Roland Simmons
Council	Carolyn Barnes
	David Banks
	Tim Jones
	Dexter Woodis, Jr.
Public Works Director	Nick Sponsel
Clerk	Judy Johnson, absent
Assistant Clerk	Lisa Woodis
Guests	Dan Anderson, Police Chief
	Willie Bridges, Pryor Mountain Engineering

Mayor Simmons led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance and Tim gave the invocation. Mayor Simmons welcomed the guests to the meeting. He then asked for any additions to the agenda. Dexter requested discussion on the main street shop and Carolyn requested discussion on Cowley Rec. Motion made by Tim, seconded by Dexter to add the discussion on the main street shop and the Cowley Rec to the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Dexter, seconded by Carolyn to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing held January 12, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Tim, seconded by Dexter, to approve the minutes as corrected of the regular monthly Council meeting held January 12, 2010. Motion carried.

The financial report for January was read and discussed. Lisa informed the council that Judy will be closing a CD and transferring funds into the checking account and the savings account.

Motion was made by Dexter, seconded by Tim, to approve the bills to be paid. Motion carried.

Reports to Council:

Nick requested permission to purchase new culverts to repair washed out ones. Council decided Nick should try and fix them and request the funds on the new budget. Nick reported that the specs are ready to advertise for bids on the old sewer jet. Nick asked for council permission to attend training on sewer lagoons in Casper next week. Council approved.

Willie reported that Danny with Yellowstone Landscaping is requesting the Town reimburse him for the cost of the support beams that were installed on the underside of the façade. The state inspector said they don't need to be there as there is enough support to hold the weight of the roof. The cost of the materials was \$1,851.00. Tim and Dexter stated that it was not in the plans so the Town should not pay for it, council agreed. Willie will report to Danny that Council is not willing to pay for the materials.

Discussion was started by David about the façade above the bar. He feels it should be build up to cover the building because a lot of money has been spent and that part does not look attractive. Dexter stated he is opposed because it will cost a considerable amount of money to change now. Carolyn and Tim asked if it is something that can be fixed later and Willie stated that would be an option. Roland asked if it would cost the Town for Willie to get a plan and cost amount together. Willie stated it would be a couple hours of Engineer time to put it together. Council agreed it is something that can be discussed with the new budget. Dexter asked if a permit will be required to alter the façade. Willie stated that it would be required.

Willie presented the preliminary layouts for the new sidewalks for the SRTS project. Nick requested that the sidewalks be at least 6 feet wide for ease of snow removal and general maintenance.

Willie reported that he has a meeting with a company to discuss using fusible PVC for the West End Water Project. Dexter asked if the company has references and Willie stated that they do.

Motion was made by Tim, seconded by Carolyn to appoint Martha Durand to a new three year term ending 1/1/2013, as a Planning and Zoning Commissioner, Motion carried. David opposed.

Roland presented information from the Big Horn Mountain Coalition requesting that the Town draft a letter opposing the Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act – HR 980. Motion was made by Dexter, seconded by David to have Judy and Lisa write the letter opposing HR 980.

Roland read a resolution appointing authorized representatives to acquire surplus property from the State of Wyoming. Motion was made by Dexter, seconded by Carolyn to approve the Surplus Property Resolution

Carolyn stated that Little League Basketball will be starting soon and the Easter Egg Hunt is coming up.

Dexter stated that he would like to see a plan in place for the old shop on Main Street before it is vacated to the new shop.

David stated that the company that is building the floor in the new school will be looking at the floor of the log gym when they are here. There is a possibility of an overlay. David will be meeting with them and they will take measurements and pictures to make a proposal.

Lisa requested the Council declare the bank depositaries. Motion was made by Carolyn, seconded by Dexter, to designate Bank of Lovell as the main depositor for the Town of Cowley, with Big Horn Federal Savings and First National Bank & Trust, Lovell Branch as secondary depositors for Certificates of Deposit. Motion carried. Tim Jones abstained due to conflict of interest.

There being no further business a motion was made by David seconded by Carolyn, to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 PM. Motion carried.