

Meadow Town Council Meeting

November 21, 2023

Meadow Firehouse

7:00 p.m.

*****THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED *****

Attendance: Mayor Gary Bishop, Councilmember Dustan Starley, Councilmember Channing Stott, Councilmember Tyson DeWolf, Treasurer Christine Scott, Clerk Monica Dearden, Sunny Guild, Zane Murman, Ed Zmirchavitch, Tony Cowley, Mark Cowley, Lloyd Robison, Lynn Bond, Ranae Williams, Camille Jensen, Justin Jensen, Andee Holdaway, Alan Erickson, Dennis Bond, Leo Stott, Liz Stott,

Excused: Councilmember CJ Stott

1. **Opening Ceremonies (three-minute limit):** Mayor Bishop welcomed those in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Channing gave a prayer.
2. **Review of minutes: Town Council Meeting- October 17, 2023:** The council read over the minutes from the meetings. Tyson motioned to approve the minutes from 10/17/2023. Dustan seconded that motion. All were in favor.
3. **Declaration of conflicts with or personal interest in any agenda items:** No conflicts were noted.
4. **Public agenda topics (time allocations for presentations is seven minutes. Additional time may be allocated to the topic as determined by the Town Council and/or Mayor to address questions or follow up with a presentation).**
 - a. **Lloyd Robison- Conditions of electric poles when removed-** Lloyd showed the council and public pictures on his ipad of electric poles that have recently been removed from places in Meadow. The poles look good above ground but are rotted off underground. He stated that he saw this time and time again in his employment with Rocky Mountain Power. To change out a pole it is estimated to cost between \$3,000-5,000. Lloyd estimates that Centracom would pay Meadow Town less than \$1000 a year for their use of our poles. If there are pole problems, Meadow pays for the repairs, not Centracom. Mayor Bishop stated that a ballpark number of poles in town is 160. He asked Lloyd if he thinks half have rot and Lloyd agreed with that. If the town kept up they could be replaced in 12-15 years, but adding CentraCom wires to the poles would take a toll. Lloyd would like to see the town allow only underground.

5. **Public comments: Issues and/or matters to be discussed and expressed by the public. (Limited to three minutes per person.)**
 - a. None
6. **Accounting Reports**
 - a. **Review and approve payments:** Monica went over the payments to be made. Dustan motioned to pay the payments. Channing seconded the motion. All were in favor.
7. **Water Department:** No business.
8. **Electrical Department:** Dustan reported that the Christmas lights are up at the park. There have been some power flickers. Hopefully they are solved. Time will tell. Mayor Bishop questioned Dustan about the schedule to replace the poles in town. Dustan said a plan has been made with Dixie Power and their engineers. Last year no poles were able to be done with the rate cost increases we saw, but otherwise we have stayed on track. At some point the plan is to update the lights on mainstreet replacing the heads and some lines, but that will happen on Dixie Powers' time frame. Mayor Bishop asked Dustan to have a plan ready for the council person who takes over the Electric department. Channing questioned the idea of having Dixie Power buy Meadows system and what would be the reasons not to look into that. Dustan stated that the electric department is a good income source for the town. Mayor Bishop said these were good conversations to have and maybe it's something to look into and ask some questions about.
9. **Road Department:** Tyson stated that the road department looks good. Mayor Bishop asked Tyson to think about a plan and the contacts that the incoming councilmember will need for the roads department. Tyson said he will get that done.
10. **Parks and Cemetery:** No business
11. **Fire Department:** No business
12. **Planning and Zoning:** No business
13. **Building permits:** No business
14. **Administrative**
 - a. **Discussion and possible adoption of PTIF Funds Authorized Representatives Resolution-** As there are staffing changes, the State of Utah asks that this resolution is passed updating those with access to the PTIF account. Mayor Bishop read the resolution. Tyson motioned to accept the resolution adding Monica Dearden and Betty Christine Scott access to the account. Channing seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. Channing Stott-Yea, Dustan Starley- Yea, Tyson DeWolf- Yea and Gary Bishop- Yea. Excused- CJ Stott.
 - b. **Planning & Zoning staffing-** The Planning & Zoning commission will be losing Justin Jensen in January as he steps into a town council position. This opens up a seat. Mayor Bishop would like to appoint Sean Kelly beginning in January. Mayor Bishop also stated that Planning & Zoning will need to elect a new chairman at their next meeting.

- c. Discussion and possible decision to allow CentraCom into Meadow's infrastructure and into Meadow town-** Mayor Bishop opened the discussion with two questions; 1- Do we want to allow CentraCom in? 2- If so, what mode or mechanism, over or underground? The council members all agree that the townspeople would like the option of CentraCom, but underground and not attached to our power poles. Mayor Bishop said that Paul Peckham has told him they will follow the utilities that are already in place if the underground option is chosen. Lynn Bond asked if anyone would be monitoring them as they work. Mayor Bishop felt that was too far out to decide right now, but it would be something to keep in mind and that there are negotiating points that need to be considered. Channing motioned to allow CentraCom the option of going underground in Meadow with stipulations to be decided. Dustan seconded the motion. All were in favor. The council will begin to do research and ask questions in order to decide what the stipulations will be to help this be successful.

15. Other business: None

16. Closed Session (UCA 52-4-205 & 205) to discuss one or more of the following (if necessary): The character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual; collective bargaining; pending or reasonably imminent litigation; the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares; the sale of real property, including any form of water rights or water shares; deployment of security personnel, devices or systems; investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct; contract negotiations, the disclosure of which would be detrimental to the city's bargaining position: None

17. Any action necessary as a result of the Closed Session: None

18. Adjourn: Tyson motioned to adjourn. Dustan seconded. All were in favor.

Monica Dearden
Meadow Town Clerk