

JUNCTION TOWN BOARD
SEPTEMBER 13, 2024
6:30 P.M.
JUNCTION TOWN OFFICE

PRESENT: Mayor Greg Pearson
Councilmember Jodi Hurdsman
Councilman Sherm Buck
Councilman Coy Morrison
Councilman LeRell Barnson
Town Clerk - Teresa M Pearson
Town Worker - Toni Jensen
Town Residents - Trevor and Amber Barnson, Willie Barnson, Rick Dalton
Sherrie and Dana Dock
DeAnn Brown - Garfield Memorial Hospital

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 P.M. by Mayor Greg Pearson.

Minutes for the board meeting in the month of July 2024 were reviewed.

MOTION: Made by Councilmember Jodi Hurdsman to approve the July 2024 minutes.
SECONDED: Councilman Coy Morrison
VOTE UNANIMOUS

Minutes for the board meeting for the month of August were reviewed.

MOTION: Made by Councilman Coy Morrison to approve the August 2024 minutes.
SECONDED: Councilmember Jodi Hurdsman
VOTE UNANIMOUS

Time was turned to Trevor and Amber Barnson to discuss their plans for the building permit. They would like to put a shop/salon and tanning salon in. They would like to have some other rooms for people to be able to do some hair in the shop also. This building will be set on gravel not on cement. They do not need any water at this point. They will come back in to do another plan when they are ready for it at that point. But for now just mostly tanning and nails.

MOTION: Made by Councilman Coy Morrison to approve the building permit for the salon.
SECONDED: Councilman LeRell Barnson
VOTE UNANIMOUS

Dana and Sherrie Dock discussed their plans for a permit to build a new fence. They would like to put a new fence on the east side of their property by the Behunins. They would like to put it

about 1 foot from the old fence. They also have a tree on the town property that they would like to have trimmed. The town board discussed this tree and decided it would be best to just have it cut down instead of trimming it. Councilman Coy Morrison will get some bids on tree removal to have the tree removed.

MOTION: Made by Councilman LeRell Barnson to approve the building permit for the new fence.

SECONDED: Councilman Coy Morrison

Councilmember Jodi Hurdsman was for the approval

Councilman Sherm Buck does not think they need to have approval for this new fence.

Time was turned to DeAnn Brown, the president from Garfield Memorial Hospital. She stated that they have 115 employees and about 10% of them are from Piute County. She would like to start sharing updates on the hospital and how it supports the surrounding areas. She stated that Dr. Birch has retired but will continue helping until they get another physician. They would like to hear about any issues that the Town may have and would like to report quarterly about updates. They are working on adding on to the hospital. If you have any concerns please let her know.

Time was turned to town resident Rick Dalton to discuss the flood water damage in front of his place. He stated that on August 10th a bad storm hit Junction. He stated that he had a river out in front of his house. Culverts around town were plugged so he contacted Councilman Coy Morrison to let him know. Coy had mentioned that the town backhoe broke down. The next day the storms came again but this time the water from the atv trail off 500 north headed his way. This was from the old road to the old water tanks being washed out. Mayor Greg Pearson stated that they did get the culverts cleaned out with the fire trucks. They will put this on the to do list each spring. Rick Dalton continued to say that there was a grader sitting up in the flat and he thought it was a county worker. He went to talk to them and it was the BLM grader. They were going to clean the trail and fix the bar ditch. They did grade the atv trail and put in 4 cut outs along the path. A grant was obtained a few years ago to fix the road drainage for the town. When this storm came no water was supposed to come down from 500 North towards his house but that has been fixed now. There was a big rut left from the water. Some gravel was up by the fence but not now. Willie Barnson got his skid steer and cleaned up two buckets of rocks from in front of his house. Willie Barnson also stated that he was tired of donating his time to help the town out. Rick Dalton stated that there was not a big hurry but there was a big hole in front of his place. Councilman Coy took a couple buckets of road base to help fix the issues. A post was made that was a concern to the mayor and contacted Rick about it. They finally had a minute and were able to get the rut fixed with some work of the grader, backhoe and some other equipment. Rick stated that it was left with a big rock pile and Willie Barnson cleaned up those rocks. Mayor Greg Pearson stated that the town does not have a town maintenance man but we do have a good drainage system. He did state that the culverts do need to be cleaned out more often. Rick stated that about fair time to make sure that the culverts are blown out and working properly.

The bar pit by the new School bus garage also needs to be fixed. They will check with the gas company to see if they are going to fix it or if the town will need to fix it. After all they agreed that it is fixed and looking better and we can continue on with the meeting.

The building plans for Joe Maestas were looked at. He is wanting to put in a metal building for a garage.

MOTION: Made by Councilman Coy Morrison to approve the building permit for the garage.
SECONDED: Councilman Sherm Buck
VOTE UNANIMOUS

Plans for a metal building for Mike Bolinder in the flat were presented. His plans, like all others, have been submitted to the planning and zoning committee and were approved.

MOTION: Made by Councilman Coy Morrison to approve the building plans for a metal building for Mike Bolinder.
SECONDED: Councilman LeRel Barnson
VOTE UNANIMOUS

Plans for a fence at Guy Price property were submitted. They are wanting to section off a piece where the house is and keep the rest of the land for hay.

MOTION: Made by Councilman LeRel Barnson to approve the plans for a fence for the house property.
SECONDED: Councilman Coy Morrison
VOTE UNANIMOUS

An update on the water project was given. Mayor Greg Pearson stated that the new tank had been drained and refilled. They also drained the old tank and the well sensor was moved to the new tank. They will fill the old tank as a backup and notice that it does have a liner and no real big leaks were detected. Mayor Greg Pearson will contact Kelly Chappell with Ensign Engineering to see if the town was charged for a liner of the old tank.

Brad from Petersen Plumbing is still working on installing all the meters and getting them up and running. The clerk stated that in June they had 59 meters installed and now there are 79 working. Brad stated that he needed some help to get these up and working but was not having the time to get them done. He asked if anyone would be able to help him and the clerk stated that she had a son at home that would be willing to help. Contacted the Mayor and he was okay with him helping. Brad spent an hour showing Jayden how to hook them up and then left him to work on them. By the time of this meeting Jayden had hooked up almost 10 meters. He will continue to work on them. Councilman LeRel Barnson suggested that Jayden get paid from Petersen Plumbing? The clerk was happy to see that more meters were up and running because it was taking Petersens a long time and nothing was getting done. The tower for the meters has went down due to it needing to have a hardwire connection of a 110 plug instead of

the extension cord. The clerk contacted Kevin Moore Electric and they are working on getting it wired.

The Mayor then reported on the fire department. He stated that they got some new shirts and hoodies made for them and that they were called to a fire in Bear River. They did not go on this fire it was only for a couple days but did not feel it was feasible to go.

Overdue water bills were discussed. The clerk stated that they have been mailed out but it takes a while for them to get to the people because they all go to Vegas first. The clerk will send out letters of concern to those on the list.

No update was available for the spring update.

Councilman Coy Morrison discussed the roads. He stated that the road by the park had been patched with the mix that was in the building. The patch is fixed but Coy will talk to Shirl Fox from Circleville to see what they will be using on their roads in Circleville.

Councilman LeRel Barnson reported on the park. He stated that he is getting a bid on some benches for the dugouts at the park. Marty Gleave will still need to fix the gate. He then continued on stating that he received an unknown call from somebody from town stating that they are upset that the weeds are not being mowed and when they are mowed that a Pearson is doing them. They also wanted to know why Toni Jensen can not mow the weeds? This was not on the agenda so needs to be discussed next month.

A town maintenance worker needs to be discussed again next month.

Time was turned to Councilman Sherm Buck to report on the cemetery. He stated that there is a pile of rocks on top that need to be hauled off. Coy will talk to him about hauling them off. Some gravel may need to be hauled in also.

Nothing to report on the airport. The Dumpster area needs to be cleaned. Councilman Sherm will see if he can get the inmates to come and clean the garbage around the dumpsters.

Councilmember Jodi Hurdsman said she was starting to think about the Town Christmas celebration. She is thinking about baked potato and Salisbury steaks but will discuss it more next month.

The financial statement and bank statement for the month of August were available for review.

ORDER: Claims were available for the September payroll and accounts payable which goes from Check #12398 to Check #12433.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M. by Mayor Greg Pearson.

MOTION: Made by Councilmember Jodi Hurdsmen to adjourn the meeting.
SECONDED: Councilman Coy Morrison
VOTE UNANIMOUS

ATTEST: 
Mayor Greg Pearson

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Clerk - Teresa M Pearson