

Meadow Town Council Meeting
May 12, 2025
Meadow Firehouse
7:20 p.m.

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

Attendance: Mayor Gary Bishop, Councilmember Sunny Guild, Councilmember Channing Stott, Councilmember Jim Beckstrand, Councilmember Justin Jensen, Clerk Monica Dearden, Treasurer Haley Abplanalp, Tony Cowley, Mark Cowley, Lloyd Robison, Brad Goffe, Ranae Williams, Brittany Stott, Andee Holdaway

1. **Opening Ceremonies:** Opening ceremonies were held in the Public Hearing previously.
2. **Review of minutes: Budget Work Meeting & Town Council Meeting- April 21, 2025:** Channing motioned to approve the budget work meeting minutes. Sunny seconded that motion. All were in favor. The council then reviewed the town council minutes. It was noticed that the title of the meeting was "budget work meeting" instead of town council meeting, which Monica adjusted. Justin then motioned to approve the amended minutes. Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.
3. **Declaration of conflicts with or personal interest in any agenda items:** No conflicts were declared.
4. **Public comments: Issues and/or matters to be discussed and expressed by the public. (Limited to three minutes per person.)**
 - a. Andee asked some questions about building permits and the fees that are being charged. She also wondered if it was possible to get a breakdown of the fees that are charged so people know what to expect and what they are paying for. Mayor Bishop stated that this would be a discussion topic later in the meeting.
 - b. Brad Goffe started by saying that Camille Jensen has done a great job with the street mowing and wanted to recognize that. He also had questions about the building permits and fees. Mayor Bishop will address that in the Planning & Zoning section of the meeting.
 - c. Tony also wanted to address the building permits and fees. He had gone back in the minutes to 2010 when it was declared that all inspections would be done by Sunrise and would be passed onto the builder. He feels nothing more should be charged and if it is, it's of no benefit to the public and is just another tax. He stated that it has not been codified and should be challenged.
 - d. Lloyd asked if any applications had been filled out with Six Counties. Mayor Bishop said none recently.
5. **Accounting Reports**

- a. **Review and approve payments:** Monica went over the current claims with the council. Channing motioned to approve the payments and also to pay the Frontier, Enbridge and UAMPS billings as they come in. Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.
 - b. **UAMPS bill payment:** Included in the motion in 5a. See above.
- 6. **Water Department:** No business
- 7. **Electrical Department:** Sunny had nothing to discuss. Channing passed on a community member's concern about a flickering street light. Sunny was aware and it will be looked into.
- 8. **Road Department:** Justin had nothing to report. Jim mentioned that Camille is doing a fabulous job with the street mowing.
- 9. **Parks and Cemetery:** Jim reported that Jordan is doing a fantastic job. He has encountered some gophers at the cemetery. Has some traps set and is waging war. Jim shared that he would like to have an arched metal sign installed at the entrance of the cemetery and is looking at getting some estimates. Moving onto the park, he would like to possibly split the tree project that he discussed last month in the budget work meeting over a few years and take care of the ones that are in the worst shape first. Mayor Bishop reminded Jim that he still has some money in this year's budget if he could work it out to have some done in the next few weeks.
- 10. **Fire Department:** No business
- 11. **Planning and Zoning:** Mayor Bishop, Monica & Haley have spent some time looking at the ordinances, minutes, reports in Pelorus and also the current fee schedule and have not found where any valuation fees are charged prior to this fiscal year. This leads us to believe that these fees have been charged in error and these fees will be refunded. We will continue to pass on inspection charges from Sunrise at the rate Sunrise charges Meadow Town. Currently there is nothing on the fee schedule for building permits, business licences or cemetery fees. The council discussed possible reworking and fixing the fee schedule at a future meeting. Tony feels the entire building permit packet and possibly ordinance needs to be redone as he feels much of it isn't necessary or needed for our town.
- 12. **Administrative:** Mayor Bishop asked how the council felt about the Arpa money discussion that was held in the public hearing. Justin motioned to move the \$38,819.00 from the general fund to the water fund. Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- 13. **Other business:** Justin wondered if Mayor Bishop could include something in his monthly Mayors letter about cleaning up the verge in front of your property to facilitate the street mowing. Mayor Bishop will do that and Monica will post on the town's social media page. Jim shared an issue that has come up at the cemetery. There has been some digging done and brick pavers placed around multiple plots in the cemetery. He may have an idea of who may be involved and Monica has reached out to them. Jim is going to remove the bricks and store them at the town hall as this needs to be taken care of before Memorial Day. Mayor Bishop feels that this is vandalism and told Jim to move forward with actions that he

feels need taken. The council discussed possible dates for a budget hearing and meeting in June.

- 14. 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: No closed session
- 15. Any action necessary as a result of the Closed Session:** None
- 16. Adjourn:** Channing motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Monica Dearden
Meadow Town Clerk