

Rocky Ridge Town Monthly Meeting
April 15, 2020
7:30 PM
MLA Building

Opening:

Presiding: Mayor Ronald Allred

Present from the Town Council: Ronald Allred, Shannon Allred, Lucy Gold, Forrest Lewis, and Dallin Mangels

Present from the Town Staff: Bethany Sturgeon, Terry Allred, and Catherine Lummus

Others Present: Neil Cook, Andrew Aagard, and Mary Allred

Invocation was given.

Meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

February and March's minutes. Council Member Forrest Lewis motioned to approve February minutes and Council Member Dallin Mangels seconded the motion. All voted in favor, except Council Member Lucy Gold abstained as she was not present at the February Meeting.

Minor corrections were made to March's minutes by Council Member Forrest Lewis as to wording he used at that meeting. Council Member Lucy motioned to approve March's minutes as corrected and Council Member Shannon Allred seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Visitor: Neil Cook is running for a County Commissioner seat and wanted to meet with our Town to find out what our needs are and what he might be able to do for us if elected. He wanted to understand what is going on in the communities of Juab County better. Discussion was held. Council Members Forrest Lewis and Dallin Mangels, together with town staff member Terry Allred, asked questions about why things had not gotten done that he had promised in his last term. He indicated that he had tried to get issues resolved or started, but those were things voted against by other council members. He reported on things he had worked on and would work on again if elected such as getting the Second Phase of the Power Plant in Mona up and running to bring in new revenue; recreational events in Juab County; and to get other cities and towns involved in financing and grants because almost all of the resources Juab County gets right now go to Nephi City.

Clean-Up Day Invoicing: There had been some misunderstandings between Jay Mechams Garbage and Mary Allred regarding the dumpsters. The Town generally has two large dumpsters on clean-up day but this year we were billed for seven. Mary Allred had come to the meeting and reported to the Council her side of the events. Discussion held and it was decided the Town would pay for all of the bills, but we would send out a text to the community to let them know we had gone over budget and those who got the most use out of the dumpsters might contribute money to offset the large difference. Mary also said she would talk to the businesses in Town about contributions.

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Unfinished Business:

1. Intellipop internet company has set up their tower and most of the Town's "free site" locations. Daniel Aagard had requested to be one of the free sites because he had got the new internet site to come into Rocky Ridge. Our Town's Attorney, David Church, had indicated to Council Member Dallin Mangels that it would be against the law for the Town to provide a site for a private citizen or business. Daniel felt that the two schools in Town should not receive a free site either if that were the case; however, our Town Library is in the same building as Morning Star Academy and we also hold our Town Meetings and Planning & Zoning Meetings in that building so the Town profits from that building. Anchor Academy is a non-profit organization not a private business. The Council Members all approved four free sites being used at this time but crossed out Daniel Aagard's name and address because he is a private citizen/business. The Hookup Proposal was signed by Mayor Ronald Allred. Clerk Bethany Sturgeon was asked to contact Aaron Hidreth at Intellipop and indicate to him that it is unlawful for the Town to give Daniel Aagard a free hookup because he is a private citizen.

2. There was much discussion about abandoned cars and other unsightly, hazardous, and eyesores in the community and what actions we might take to remedy the situation and make Rocky Ridge a more pleasant environment to live in. Mayor Allred was going to look into options for abandoned cars.

New Business:

1. A date of May 22nd was scheduled to have the Council Members all watch the Open & Public Hearings Meeting video that is required to be watched on a yearly basis.

2. Review of monthly expenditures. Clerk Bethany Sturgeon was requested to notify Nebonet we would no longer be using their services.

3. Assistant CAO Catherine Lummus discussed the upcoming budget for 2021 and that the personnel for each department needs to be able to give a preliminary budget accounting at the May meeting. Those departments would be for roads, streets, library, and water.

4. Discussion regarding the Town State of Emergency expiring on April 23rd unless ratified for an additional 30 days. Mayor Allred wanted to renew this and Council Member Lucy Gold felt it would not hurt us to renew it to keep up good relations with Juab County. Council Member Forrest Lewis and Dallin Mangels were opposed to renewing it. After discussion was had the Council decided not to renew the State of Emergency.

5. We received an anonymous email regarding animal cruelty that the Clerk brought to the Board's attention. It was decided that the Clerk not to respond to the email.

Budget Report & Financial Statement: Assistant CAO Catherine Lummus went over the quarterly budget for March as she had not been able to do so at the last meeting.

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Departments:

1. Admin: Review of Section 10 of the Municipal Code will be held in June rather than May.
2. Library: Nothing to report.
3. Park: Nothing to report.
4. P&Z: Nothing to report.
5. Road: Volunteers running Town equipment would need to be recognized as a volunteer by Terry Allred as the head of the Road Department, and they would only be covered by our insurance if they were working on a Town project.
6. EMS/CERT: Nothing to report.
7. Water: Nothing to report.

Citizen Items: None

Town Council Items: None

Adjournment:

Council Member Lucy Gold moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Dallin Mangels seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

/s/ Bethany Sturgeon

Approved by Town Clerk