

**Rockville Town Council
Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
Via Zoom Virtual Meeting
January 13, 2021 – 6:00 pm**

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** – Mayor Pam Leach called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following members of the Rockville Town Council were present: Terry Bell, M. Honer-Orton, Jeff Ballard, David Firmage and Mayor Leach. Town Clerk, Vicki S. Bell recorded the meeting.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor Leach led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the agenda for January 13, 2021. M. Honer-Orton **SECONDED** the motion.
Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.
4. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH AN AGENDA ITEM** - No conflicts were disclosed.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – No public comments were given.

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION / NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. **REPORT ON ROCKVILLE/SPRINGDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT** – Chief Gildea's December report was received by Mayor Leach. Rockville had three medical transports, four medical refusals and two cancelled calls prior to arrival for a total of nine. And there were three fire responses. Springdale had three medical transports, three medical refusals, one CPTA and no fire responses. Zion National Park had no medical transports, one medical refusal and no fire responses. Dave Firmage believed the numbers for Zion were inaccurate as there were two fire responses inside the Park with both being false alarms. Last week there was an assist for a car fire with Springdale-Rockville Fire Department and Hurricane Fire Department just outside of Rockville.
2. **REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION** – Vice Chair Brennan shared that last night there was a Regular Meeting and a Work Meeting. At the Regular Meeting they approved an application by Vacation Races for a footrace taking place on April 10 and 11 called the "Zion 100 Trail Race", which will take place on trails located on Wire Mesa and Rockville Mesa but will not come into the Town proper. Covid-19 awareness and the threat of spread amongst large groups was discussed at length. There was another conceptual discussion with Vacation Races regarding the approval of future races as they recently purchased 60 acres on Smithsonian Butte in Apple Valley and want to create race-routes over the Bridge and into Springdale. The Commission discouraged their plans since Rockville has met with problems for other races due to the necessity of road and Bridge closures.

There was discussion and action on a building permit for a garage remodel for Tim and Kim Arnold at John and Jean Arnold's house. The permit was approved during the regular meeting.

During the work meeting the Commission discussed the Animal Control Ordinance where they agreed that it is ready to have a Town hearing next month.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ITEMS

1. **INTRODUCTION AND INTERVIEW OF PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS** – **Jacob Andersen, Timothy Arnold, Jane Brennan, Linda Brinkley, Jan Fasselin, Tydon Oler, Garth Tyler, and Brooke Wright.** Mayor Leach thanked all of the applicants. Mayor Leach read from the Land Use Code regarding the Planning Commission and what is asked of the applicants. Applicants must have a genuine interest in the community and be dedicated to preserving the unique quality of life and ambiance of the Town. Be committed to successful planning and be willing and able to commit the time and effort involved in studying and evaluating the issues that come before the Planning Commission. Applicants must be individuals with professional integrity who are dedicated to upholding Federal and State Statutes, the General Plan and the Land Use Code. Mayor Leach asked each candidate to share a little bit about themselves.

Jane Brennan began by sharing that she has been a permanent resident in Rockville since 2014 and has owned property in town since about 2000. She has been a member of the Planning Commission since late 2014 and has been the Chair or Vice-Chair for several of those years. During that time, she has worked on updating the Land Use Code to make it a more viable version of itself and making sure that it is legal. She loves the Town of Rockville and values the General Plan and the Land Use Code and thinks the Town of Rockville is worth protecting.

Linda Brinkley shared that she moved to Rockville in 1986. She spent three years running a pre-school and worked at the Park. The following twenty-four years she taught at Springdale Elementary and retired in 2013. In 2012, she served her first Board position on Planning and Zoning over-lapping the last Fire Board position she held. She has served on the Planning Commission since 2013. Linda had been the Chairman of the Board of Adjustments many years back as well. She would like to serve on the Planning Commission again because she has invested a lot of time in Rockville, has seen two Town Surveys and spent many hours of work meetings in an attempt to make things clear for citizens when they seek information.

Tim Arnold shared that he recently returned to Rockville as he had lived here from 1985-1987 where he graduated from Hurricane High School; he then went on to college and married Kim. He had served as Senior Vice-President for an International company and is now C.E.O. of two separate small companies of which he owns. He understands organization and the need to follow rules. Having recently worked with Jane and the Planning Commission he was impressed with what has been accomplished so far and how Rockville is still the same town that he knew in his youth and he wants to preserve for his own family. Tim and Kim purchased his parents' house, and they will be living together and caring for his parents in that home. He hopes that his children will do the same for he and Kim in twenty-five years. He would like to be involved as he understands the necessity of having camaraderie, organization and working together in unity.

Brooke Wright shared that she and her husband started their family here about fifteen years ago and raised the eldest child until 2011 and then purchased a home and lived in Virgin for a few years and then purchased Rockville property a few years back and moved back in September. She is excited to continue raising their family in Rockville and hope to spend the rest of their lives in Rockville as they love the Town. Brooke likes that Rockville remained the same as it had been fifteen years ago. As her children are growing, she has more time to do things outside of the house and is in the process of getting her real estate license. She believed that a lot of the terms she learned in that process can be applied to the Planning Commission and protect the Town and keep it the way it is so that her children and grandkids can enjoy it as well.

Garth Tyler shared that when he submitted his application, Clerk Bell mentioned there were a number of applicants to which he was elated. He currently serves on a few Homeowner's Association boards that are struggling for participation and was excited to participate in Rockville's active community. He and his wife are empty-nesters and purchased the Amber Inn from Nida and Andrei in 2020 and recently renovated the house. They both attended Dixie College and after thirty years they have returned to southern Utah. Professionally, he was involved with project management for the natural gas industry and has been on the Board of Cyprus Credit Union for the past fifteen years. For the first ten years on the Board, he was the volunteer Chair of the Supervisory Committee, which is separate from the Board but investigates any wrong-doing or conflicts that the Credit Union has with all levels of government. During the economic down-turn, the Federal Government created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau with whom he was responsible in reporting to and determining whether or not the Credit Union was following the law.

Tydon Oler shared via chat in Zoom – Clerk Bell read his chat input to the group – He would just like to say that I am familiar with planning and zoning, Rockville Land Use Codes, Utah's LUDMA. He has been a real estate agent, developer and broker for approximately twenty years.

Jacob Anderson shared that he is new to Rockville having moved here in 2020 into the 'Mooney' place and loves it so far. He has three children that attend Springdale Elementary that really like it. Rockville is similar to the town from which he moved, a small town with about one hundred and fifty people in Arbon where he was a fifth-generation farmer. He has always believed that whoever moves to these small towns, to participate, whether it be in government, service projects, worship or activities that go on to keep a town alive. One of the things that previously concerned him in Arbon was that there were neighboring towns that slowly died as they were taken over by big farms and there was not enough land for everybody and soon the Post Office and Schools closed. In Arbon it was important to keep the character of the town to keep it what they enjoyed and loved. He was excited to be in Rockville and would love for more families to move in as well. He believes one of the struggles is that the price of property and distance to work may inhibit young families from moving to Rockville. He had done some business here with the Red Rock Oasis and is grateful for how the Town has worked with Justin on that project. He was happy to see so many people applying for the positions and believed that whoever is chosen will do a wonderful job. As a newcomer, he believed it would be easy to say 'no' as it can be challenging to decline long-time friends and residents and maintain an un-biased approach to all applications and issues.

Jan Fasselín shared that he has resided in Rockville since late 2019 and likes the community and wants to help improve Rockville and help the community prosper. Jan founded a Property Owner's Association in Big Cottonwood Canyon that involved installing a new water system, paved the roads, barricaded the road to prevent roadside vegetative damage and stop the A.T.V. and snowmobiling activity. While installing the water system he worked with numerous government agencies including the Army Corps of Engineers, State Health Department, the United States Forest Service, the City and County Health Department and the State Health Department. Jan also became a member of the Big Cottonwood Canyon Association which was the community council for what is now the Town of Brighton as a Board member (which was an elected position) and the Secretary to the Board. His experience on the community council included review of building permits and interchange with the ski resorts. He organized groups to remove deadwood in 'chipper bays' to control the heavy fuel load in the canyons and eventually involved Salt Lake County which has continued for over twenty years. He had been an Economist for the State of Utah as a Labor Market Economist and had worked on the Consumer Price Index and Cost Benefit Analysis for the State. He served on the Board of the Solar Committee for Salt Lake County and was on the Utah Media Arts Board of Directors and helped with fundraising. He gets 'all-involved' when he takes on a position and learns all he can about what is needed.

Mayor Leach asked council members to pose questions to the candidates. Jeff asked to hear their vision for the future of Rockville.

Jan Fasselin responded that he would like to see improved sidewalks, possibly a bike path to connect to Springdale, and believes there is funding available for those types of improvements. He would like to see a lower speed of traffic on SR-9 and encourages the police in enforcing the speed limit. He has an interest in working with the Zion Pathway to connect bike trails from St. George to Zion National Park, hoping to reduce the impact of automobile traffic in our community.

Jacob Andersen answered that the reason his family moved to Rockville is that they appreciate the community, and he would like to see kids riding bikes or walking to the school bus safely on improved sidewalks or a bike path. He would like to encourage families to move to Rockville and have a community that is willing to participate in government or service projects, creating a feeling of community.

Garth Tyler responded that he enjoyed having returned to the area as Rockville has remained a small town. With Zions being the third-most visited National Park in the nation, he would like to prepare for increasing traffic and visitation while maintaining Rockville's small-town feel. A bike path would be beneficial to reduce automobile traffic.

Brooke Wright shared that many of the previous suggestions are akin to her ideas. Reduced traffic speeds would be preferred with more affordable housing for local employees and preservation of Rockville's small-town values.

Tim Arnold agrees with much of Jacob's ideas in terms of community activities, being together in the farewell for Bernie and Elaine to see everybody, say hello even with face masks, brings people together and it is good for children to be involved as well. When the community can come together for fun events like barbeques and connect with each other, those events make a community, so that in hard times people step up and help one another.

Mayor Leach wanted to address the many mentions of the bike path as the Zion Regional Collaborative has been working with Washington County, created surveys on multi-use trails and they are currently working to acquire an Environmental Impact Study on the first portion of a trail coming up from LaVerkin to Virgin. That is something that is underway with a plan for it to continue to and end in Springdale. Also, regarding community events, we normally have numerous activities throughout the year, but many were cancelled in 2020 due to Covid-19 and will likely be cancelled for the first portion of 2021.

Jane Brennan responded that she wants to make slow changes and create a Town Council and Planning Commission that is welcoming to new families. She would like to have the Code used equally for all with consistency and compassion for community members. It is the job of the Planning Commission to help people's plans fit into the Land Use Code. As the Code is flexible and changes based on the Survey and what the community members desire, making measured changes makes sense.

Linda Brinkley responded saying that she brought her eight-year-old son with her when she arrived in Rockville and raised him here and the charm of Rockville remains despite numerous changes. Many changes in the last thirty-five years have been improvements including: the purchase of the community center, creating more events, safer streets and infrastructure for our kids and improving the Bridge. Rockville has done a great job so far. She is glad that some of her past students have returned to the community and want to raise their families here and we still have a lot of things happening in the Canyon that are definite assets to our community.

Tydon Oler responded via Zoom chat saying that he believes Rockville needs to look towards additional revenue generation opportunities for its residents and landowners. This could be accomplished with small-scale, low-impact village commercial and vacation rental opportunities for residents or those living here as their primary residence. As well as allowing agri-tourism opportunities with the focus overall being small-scale, local owners and local businesses.

Dave asked the applicants what they see as the purpose and limitations of a Planning Commission in a town the size of Rockville?

Linda Brinkley responded saying the purpose is to use the mission statement, the surveys, the Land Use Code and make sure that is followed fairly with the same rules for everybody. Limitations include trying to make everybody happy while remaining within the parameters of what they have to follow. Sometimes small matters are disputed without resolution and that can be challenging but we do our best to be fair and follow the rules.

Jane Brennan stated that the purpose of the Planning Commission in a small town is to be able to enforce the Land Use Code which came about because the Town decided on it and if anything gets changed, it is by way of a public hearing and by way of the Survey. We are the spokespeople for the Town doing what the general population of the Town wants us to do. The limitations of that include difficulties in dealing with individuals on a personal level one day and then needing to uphold the Code when they apply for various things. Being the Code Enforcement Officers is a part of the position which is a tremendous limitation because she likes all of her neighbors and saying 'no' is a difficult thing to do.

Tim Arnold responded saying ditto to Jane's comments and continued by mentioning his recent work with the Planning Commission on a re-build he is in the process of doing, he was impressed with how things were handled and how they try to make it equal for everyone. The greatest limitation is being able to get everyone involved in the surveys, making sure we care and that absolutely everyone is involved in the decisions.

Brooke Wright shared that she agreed with much of what Jane shared and believed that the purpose of the Commission is to help people fit within the Land Use Code, protecting our vision of the Town and to do so with kindness. She did not have a great experience with the Planning Commission while she and her husband were building their home as they were met with opposition and felt like they were not wanted. It was a difficult experience as she felt they were coming home but dealing with the Commission made it feel that they were not wanted in Rockville. The greatest challenge as a Commissioner would be to say 'no' to your neighbors and maintain friendships with those same people.

Garth Tyler said that having recently gone through dealings with the Planning Commission, he enjoyed the help he received from the Commission and Clerk Bell as it was a matter of education for him as the newcomer. He believed he was dealt with in a fair manner and received equal consideration with his requests. He enjoyed the camaraderie with the Planning Commission and received a wealth of knowledge that they shared during his process. Ensuring that the rules and regulations are followed is the key.

Jacob Andersen began by saying a personal opportunity would be to get to know his new neighbors. The limitation is what provides a shield in that you are bound by the Land Use Code but if you are here to make change, that is within the Town Council and the opinions of the community. If you are fair and consistent with everyone, you abide by the same rules. Consistency is the most important. As a participant in a Planning and Zoning meeting a few weeks back he was impressed with how Jane took an unpopular stand but stuck with the rules. No matter what his personal opinion it is on a matter, research must be done about what is proposed, see how that applies to the Land Use Code, ask questions and stick to the Land Use Code.

Jan Fasselin stated that change will come whether or not you are ready. Enforcement is an on-going challenge as people choose to ignore rules. As a Planning and Zoning Commissioner one needs to look at rules and regulations with an eye to the future. Ask what works today? Where are we headed? How do you want the community to look? What is the character of the community? Accept the fact that you will go through a metamorphosis and in that process take advantage of what is happening in Springdale and possibly extend those services, like the shuttle, to Rockville.

Tydon Oler responded on Zoom chat: The purpose for the Planning Commission is to help landowners and residents accomplish their goals within the existing Land Use Code as it is written and adopted/approved by the Town Council.

Mayor Leach shared that the Planning Commission position requires some of your time to fulfill the job properly. You need to become familiar with the Land Use Code to provide a basic knowledge of where to look, as residents make requests, to know what is permitted. She asked all of the applicants if they have the time or are willing to set aside the time each month, to be informed and be prepared before each meeting. Communicating with other Commissioners, the Town Clerk, the Commission Chair in advance of the meetings is critical to understanding the issues as they are presented and know how to best handle the issue at hand. All applicants verified that they are willing to commit the time required.

M. Honer-Orton stated that one of the functions of the Planning Commission is to create Ordinances and that is an extensive process that requires attention to detail. Part of the job of writing an Ordinance is also to ensure that everyone can understand what is written. Public Hearings are the next step where the Ordinance is often met with intense revisions and revised, as necessary.

Mayor Leach continued with the next step, which is the Ordinance is then presented to the Town Council and they decide to accept or make changes to the Ordinance. Every Ordinance starts with the Planning Commission as they are the ones that are dealing with the questions and difficulties identified on the surveys.

Dave commented that he is happy to see families with children coming into Rockville.

Mayor Leach shared that the Town would like to select some alternates for the Planning Commission in the case that someone is unable to attend a meeting or unable to continue their term. It is good practice to have one or two people available that are attending meetings and seeing the process and staying current with the Land Use Code. With a raise of hands, Mayor Leach asked if each of the applicants would be willing to be an alternate. Everybody raised their hand and volunteered to be an alternate. Mayor Leach thanked everyone for volunteering.

2. **CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANTS:**

Mayor Leach announced that the Council will be going into a Closed Session.

3. **ACTION REQUIRED BY CLOSED SESSION:** Terry Bell **MOVED** to return to the Regular Meeting. Jeff Ballard **SECONDED** the **MOTION**.

Hearing no opposition, the motion was approved.

- a. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION FILLING A SEAT THAT EXPIRED DECEMBER 31, 2020:** The Town Council requested that Jane Brennan return to the Planning Commission as per Resolution 21-0113-01 a Resolution

providing for appointment to the Rockville Planning Commission. The term will be from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023. Dave Firmage **MOVED** to approve the **MOTION**. M. Honer-Orton **SECONDED** the **MOTION**.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

- b. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION FILLING A SEAT THAT EXPIRED DECEMBER 31, 2020.** The Town Council decided to accept Linda Brinkley to return to her position. Resolution 21-0113-02 with the term running from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023. Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the **MOTION**. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the **MOTION**.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

- c. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE ROCKVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION TO FILL THE REMAINDER OF A TERM.** The Town Council selected Tim Arnold for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 per Resolution 21-0113-03. M. Honer-Orton **MOVED** to approve the motion. Jeff Ballard **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Leach continued that as alternates were mentioned earlier, Clerk Bell will accept applications and create a list of alternates until the end of January 2021. Nominees will be discussed at the February meeting and the two alternates will be selected at that time. Mayor Leach recommended that the applicants continue to attend the meetings and take the opportunity to comment during public comment and inform the Town Council of their ideas. Volunteers are consistently needed with our activities like tree-trimming and cemetery clean-up. If any applicants are interested in participating, leave their name with Clerk Bell and they will be called when help is needed.

Mayor Leach asked all applicants to raise their hands if they are interested in being on the list of alternates. She identified the applicants as they raised their hands: Jan, Garth, Brooke, Jacob and Clerk Bell added Tydon as he had agreed earlier. If no new applications are received, the interview process will not take place and selections will be made from the existing list. Jane thanked everyone for applying as previously few, if any people, have applied. Linda also shared that it was the best night of her life in Rockville to see this many people wanting to participate, making the future look bright.

4. **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWN OF ROCKVILLE 2020-21 FISCAL BUDGET.** Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to go into a Public Hearing to review the budget. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the **MOTION**.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

Clerk Bell began with reading the Revenues. Tax revenues were decreased at the beginning of the fiscal year, but it does not look like the Covid-19 economy has affected our tax revenues as bad as was projected. General property taxes, sales tax and transient room tax are being increased by \$6,329. Building Permit Fees have increased by \$6,040 due to the increase in building and remodeling currently taking place in Rockville. Intergovernmental Revenue was increased \$23,748 to reflect the Federal CARES allocations.

Several fund balances were adjusted to reflect increases in appropriations for this fiscal year.

- The CARES fund was increased by \$22,004 to reflect the CARES expenditures.
- The B&C Road fund was increased \$12,000 to reflect the cost of paving Grafton Road.
- The RAP Tax fund was increased \$5,812 to cover the expense of the Community Center fence and repair of the mural.
- The Bridge Maintenance Fund was increased to cover the \$1,000 to match UDOT for the Bridge repairs.

Moving on to Budget Expenditures: Attorney fees were increased by \$10,000 for the Tracy Cox appeal. Emergency Preparedness CARES was increased 12,004 to cover the expense of the new audio system for the Town. Road Maintenance was increased to cover the expense of paving Grafton Road which was \$12,000. Community Center maintenance was increased \$10,312 to cover the cost of the new privacy fence and repair the mural. Bridge Maintenance was increased to cover the cost of the \$1,000 match for UDOT.

As we have more revenue than expenditures, part of the revenue has been moved to the Fund Balances where \$1,000 was added to the Bridge Maintenance Fund and an additional \$10,000 was added to the Maintenance Shed Fund. A new Capitol Fund has been established for the cost of engineering the new Corridor at a sum of \$15,000. An additional \$5,000 has been added to sidewalk maintenance.

Hearing no public comment, Mayor Leach asked for a motion to adjourn the public hearing.

5. **ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING:** Dave Firmage **MOVED** to adjourn the public hearing. Jeff **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

6. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021:** M. Honer-Orton asked about the B&C Road Maintenance on the third line of page 3, it shows current year estimate is \$150,000. Clerk Bell stated that the \$150,000 was for the Chip and Seal that was done last year. M. Honer-Orton thanked Clerk Bell for the additional sidewalk funds. Terry Bell **MOVED** to approve the amended budget for the fiscal year ending June 20, 2021. Jeff Ballard **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON TABLED RESOLUTION FIRST AMENDED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT SUPPORTING THE RENEWED MOJAVE DESERT TORTOISE INCIDENTAL TAKE PERMIT ISSUED TO WASHINGTON COUNTY:** Mayor Leach reminded the Council that in the last meeting there had not been an opportunity to review the amended Habitat Conservation Plan that was voted in by the Washington County Commission last October. That has since been provided to you along with some notes. Dave stated that this seems to be, that this is looking for tacit approval by unrelated municipalities for support of the Northern Corridor project. A point of concern that it states clearly that these funds, if not used for conservation can be used for litigation for the plan which is undoubtedly going to happen. It does not appear that in approving the plan through the Red Cliffs Reserve that other alternatives, more beneficial to conservation, were given their due diligence. In terms of habitat, Rockville is mapped as a low probability of being a desert tortoise habitat. We know we have them in the Canyon. There is concern of the way they created this funding mechanism is spreading out to other municipalities that do not have an economic desire in it. Dave suggests that the Town of Rockville not adopt the local agreement. Mayor Leach wanted the Council to know that we are not required to participate; that individual property owners can participate if they choose to by contacting the County. They will come out and inspect your property and if they find desert tortoise on your property, they will relocate them. That is what these fees are supposed to be generated for; to help communities make sure the desert tortoises are protected. Mayor Leach agreed with Dave that she knows of no one who has seen a desert tortoise within Rockville. They have been found in Springdale but not here. The purpose of the habitat conservation plan is being mutated; and Mayor Leach stated she also cannot support this.

M. Honer-Orton commented that it looks like the County is asking us to sign a blank check, on a plan we have never seen. We have only 3 or 4 days to read 500 pages that you cannot understand and then they want us to approve that for 50 years. She questions if this will hurt Rockville vis-à-vis playing ball with other governments and the County for us not to sign it. Mayor Leach responded that the Northern Corridor does not benefit us. We are so far removed from where it is going to be; we are a small community that is often considered a thorn in their side. We are what we are, and we have made it clear where we would like to be and that we want to preserve Rockville. The Town does a really good job of conservation in so many ways. The Mayor stated she would not suggest anyone making a decision because you were worried about having somebody not like you. Dave stated that there is hope that our neighbor to the east will also make the same decision, in that case we have got a little [inaudible]. M. Honer-Orton **MOVED** that we reject the Resolution adopting this Interlocal Agreement. Dave Firmage **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

8. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING.** M. Honer-Orton **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2020 Special Meeting. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

9. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 9, 2020 REGULAR MEETING.** Dave Firmage **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2020 Regular Meeting. M. Honer-Orton **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

10. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 16, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING.** Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2020 Special Meeting. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

11. **APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2020.** M. Honer-Orton questioned Clerk Bell about the Community Center Utilities from Rocky Mountain Power for the month of December 2020 was \$137.51. Clerk Bell said that the furnace is set on the lowest setting. Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the expenses for the month of December 2020. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

12. **APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:** M. Honer-Orton asked whether the Buildings and Land were considered assets in this kind of statements. Clerk Bell answered no, they are not. Jeff Ballard **MOVED** to approve the December 2020 financial statements. Terry Bell **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Jeff Ballard reported that the ground asphalt that was put on Grafton Road is starting to smash down. If we hit it again with a blade, it will probably straighten it up real nice. There is hardly any dust. Do not know what it will do when it gets really wet; but it may be a while before we find that out. Jeff wanted to thank everyone who helped with the Christmas lights on both the Town Hall and the Bridge.

Megan Honer-Orton reported that she was grateful for the additional sidewalk funds. Mayor Leach added that now we just need to get somebody out and do the sidewalk work. M. Honer-Orton stated she would start nagging Allen Lee and also start looking for some other bids.

Dave Firmage reported that properties in the floodplain, going back to the habitat issue, any property that is applying for flood insurance from the National program is going to need to have their property surveyed for [inaudible] species anyway. There is a second mechanism for people building in the floodplain to have that survey done.

Terry Bell reported that there are no mosquitoes and garbage is doing just fine. Dave interjected that he did see a mosquito in the HQ bathroom in the Park.

Mayor Leach reported that we had a great turnout for Elaine and Bernie's sendoff on Saturday. It was a great day, and they were really pleased. We are sorry to see them leaving the community, but they have been instructed they have to come back for our activities. Elaine said they neither one drive at night and Mayor Leach let her know that if their kids could not get them up here that there would be people in the community that would be glad to transport them. We wish them well and they are still available by phone if we have questions. Between the two of them they have a lot of history on the Town of Rockville. Mayor Leach thanked all those who participated.

We will not be doing our Appreciation Breakfast due to Covid-19. We are hoping by the time we do Rockville Daze the end of September, the beginning of October that we will all be vaccinated, and we can gather to enjoy a beautiful day in the park. We will not be doing our Arbor Day celebration unless we can figure out a way to allow for social distancing. We do not have a big crowd so we may be able to look at this as a possibility. M. Honer-Orton stated that we could do Arbor Day with social distancing. Mayor Leach stated that this would take place in April or May so we will see how things go. We really have quite a few community activities when it is a normal year. We gather every chance we can.

Mayor Leach reminded everyone to get their newsletter articles in to Pearl before the end of the month.

One thing Mayor Leach wanted to add in regard to the Habitat amendment she understood that they were expecting to see whether they got Federal approval or not today. She could not find anything on the internet or anything from the County. Terry stated that Commissioner Cox was the one heading that up. Mayor Leach stated that Commissioner Almquist stated in the Mayor's meeting they were expecting a decision today. Dave stated that he went to the Federal Register right before this meeting and nothing had been recorded.

Mayor Leach gave an update on the bacteria in the Virgin River, the tests have been coming back non-detectable. Do not know if that is because of the cold or what, but that is good. Would like to see us get some snow and high waters to flush or scour the River out this Spring.

Mayor Leach reported that COVID-19 vaccinations will open up on Monday or Tuesday of next week to make reservations for people 70 and over. The Southwest Health website was not operating properly today but hope to have it up and working again in a couple of days. If you want to get an appointment for a vaccine, check back tomorrow or Monday and you should be able to find a slot. The sad news with that is that they are having about 20% of the people are not showing up for their appointments. They do not know if those were people not in favor of the vaccine, so they are trying to block appointments. They are trying to figure out a way to get other people in those slots to make use of that vaccine. Mayor Leach encouraged everyone to stay safe and get vaccinated when you can and let us get things back to normal.

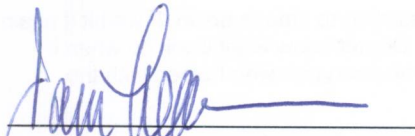
2. STAFF REPORT AS NEEDED: Clerk Bell had nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT: Terry Bell **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Ballard **SECONDED** the motion.

Hearing no objections, the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes prepared by:
Pearl Meadows
Deputy Town Clerk

APPROVED


Pam Leach, Mayor

The foregoing was posted in the foyer cabinet of the Rockville Town Office by Ucker S. Bell at approximately
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Rockville Community Center
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