

Meadow Town Council Meeting

January 18, 2022
Meadow Firehouse
7:00 p.m.

*****THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED*****

- **Those in Attendance:** Mayor Gary Bishop, Council Members- Channing Stott, Dustan Starley, Tyson Dewolf, Treasurer Monica Dearden, Donna O'Neal, Sarah Core, Dennis Bond, Aironn Bishop, Lloyd Robison, Tony Cowley, Zane Murnan, Lynn Bond, Andrea Holdaway, Justin Jensen, Mark Cowley, Andrew Flake, Alan Erikson, Maddison Turner, Ron Payne, Justin Wayment, Renae Williams, Ron Heard

Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. This was followed with a prayer by Channing.

1. **Swear in Councilmember Carol Jean Stott:** CJ was not feeling well enough to attend and she will be sworn in at a later date.
2. **Review of Minutes- 12/21/21:** The minutes were reviewed by each council member. Channing motioned to approve the minutes. Tyson seconded the motion. All were in favor.
3. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest:** There were no conflicts.
4. **Accounting Reports:**
 - a. **Review and Approve Payments:** Monica went over the current claims with the board. Channing motioned to approve the payments. Dustan seconded the motion. All were in favor.
5. **Administrative**
 - a. **Justin Wayment:** Justin is the current legal counsel for Meadow Town. He shared with those in attendance the reason for open and public meetings. He took some time and gave the yearly Public Meetings training and cleared up any questions that were asked.
6. **Water Department:** Channing reported that the quarterly reports are in and a water sample has been taken in. Meadow Town hopes to be done with their part in the water project by the state road shed. Dustan received a call from the representative at Scholzens this past week. He let him know that Kennedy is making a different kind of valve. They are offering some kind of pilot program. They would monitor things and work with us. Channing asked Dustan to have them contact him with the details to see if we would be interested. Alan Erickson expressed concern over experimental valves, flooding and liability.

- a. **Alan Erickson:** Alan had some questions about his water service at the quonset that has been off since around November 15th, 2021, but he's still been being billed. He stated that if the work is almost done then it's probably not really an issue. Channing reminded him that he was told in advance that this would be the case and he agreed, but unfortunately the town has been waiting on the state and had the weather working against them. The work is being done as quickly as possible on the town's part. They agreed that if it ends up taking longer than the situation can be revisited.

7. Electric Department

- a. **Draft resolution to contract Dixie Power for electric shut-off:** A resolution will be drafted to be presented at the February meeting to be approved. Justin Wayment advised that this needs to be done and available a few weeks before the meeting so that it can be available to the public.
- b. **UAMPS power recall:** Dustan reported that UAMPS has asked to recall some power. Because of the water situation at Lake Powell, they are making a pool of power that they are expecting to need. Each year there is a winter power season and a summer power season and the participants must declare six months in advance if they would like the power to be recalled. This power ends up being much more expensive and Meadow usually does allow for this recall, as we did at this time.

8. Road Department: No Business

9. Park and Cemetery- No Business

10. Fire Department- No Business

11. Planning & Zoning- Gary stated that the Planning & Zoning commission is in a flux situation right now. He thanked Andrew for serving as Chairman and for all he has done. At this time Mark Cowley and Neal Westphal will be released from their appointment to the Planning & Zoning commission. Shayne Sampson will continue to serve his term. Van Stott will be reinstated. Rex William will begin another term as an alternate. Sarah Lombard Core has been appointed to take over the unfinished three year term that has one year remaining and Justin Jensen will serve in the open two year term.

12. Building Permits- No Business

13. Other Business

- a. Personnel discussion:** Monica has taken on the duties of the clerk along with her duties as treasurer for now. She was paid for both jobs in November and December, but this needs to be ratified. Tyson motioned to pay Monica both salaries for November, December and January and possibly for longer as needed for training of the new clerk. Channing seconded the motion. All were in favor. Gary stated that when he signed up to run for Mayor in June that he didn't foresee starting out with a round of hiring and has been grateful that people stepped up and applied. From the applications that were received and with the input of the town council he proposes to hire; Madison Turner for the Clerk position, Andrew Flake for the Water Master position, Landon Stott for the Town Employee position and Russ Bond to fill the Sexton position. Dustan commented that he would like to see Andrew fill the Water Master and the Sexton position as they can go hand in hand. Mayor Bishop vetoed that suggestion. Channing asked when they would officially start. They can start as soon as some papers are signed and we can get them added to the insurance policies, etc.
- b. Mark Cowley:** Mark shared a letter with the board. He feels that he was removed from the Planning & Zoning commission for personal reasons and that others have missed many meetings with him only missing one in the past year. He feels that the commission should be made up of people that represent various ideas and that people are scared of his ideas. Gary thanked him for his comments.

- 14. Closed portion pursuant to Utah Code annotated 54-4-4 & 5:** Tyson made a motion to enter closed session for the purpose of a discussion about the purchase of real property. Dustan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held; Channing Stott- Yes, Tyson DeWolf- Yes, Dustan Starley- Yes. Closed portion was held. Channing motioned for the meeting to adjourn. Tyson seconded the motion. All were in favor.