

Town of Dutch John



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Town Council Regular Meeting
Dutch John Conference Hall
November 9, 2022 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES FOR NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA

Electronic participation will be available. See <https://dutchjohn.org/electronic-meetings> for more details.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE /

ATTENDANCE: Sandy Kunkel, Al Pulham, Trevor Brooksby, Terri Winn, Harriet Dickerson. Amy McDonald, excused.

1. CONSENT Agenda

1.1 Minutes of meeting: October 12 and 26, 2022.

2.2 Business Licenses: None

2.3 Expenditures: Dennis Judd \$280.20, BVEA \$414.17, Dominion Energy \$102.45, G&H Garbage \$2,602.95, Daggett County W&S \$682.00

2.4 Correspondence: BVEA Operation Roundup Foundation \$500 Donation. Mayor Kunkel reported we received this donation, and it can be used to help a needy family for Christmas – this could one person or several.

Mr. Brooksby reported on repairs for the Fire Station. He was able to purchase parts from Winn Nelson Company in Vernal for \$26631. The Heater cost \$485.63, so if all goes as anticipated the Fire Station will be repaired for \$751.94. It was mentioned that this repair has been needed for a couple of years and not taken care of by the County because anticipated costs were much higher.

Mr. Pulham moved to approve the Consent Agenda with corrections to the Minutes. Mr. Winn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT. Ms. Dickerson said she believes we should cancel our next scheduled meeting because it is the night before Thanksgiving and she believes people will be busy, have company, or are going out of Town. It is supported by Council members. Meeting will be canceled.

The Daggett County Fire & EMS Board entered meeting on-line and reported they will set up public hearing for December 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Conference Hall. Mayor Kunkel asked if the meeting will also be digital but they said no because this option was not made available to the Town of Manila for their public hearing and they felt this would be an unfair advantage. They will post and run this meeting, after which there is a 30-day protest period.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Daggett County Water Rate Proposal – Discussion and Possible Action. Mr. Brooksby was excused from participating and voting in this discussion because it constitutes a conflict of interest because he is the operator of the water system for Daggett County. A long discussion followed exploring both options presented. Ms. Winn moved to notify the County of our acceptance of Option #2. Ms. Dickerson seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Ms. Dickerson will prepare a letter for signature by Mayor Kunkel and deliverance to the County Commission by Mr. Brooksby.

3.2 Dumpster Location and Improvements – Discussion and Possible Action. Ms. Dickerson said Brent Hodges is willing to help in preparing the ground when Mr. Brooksby has time. Discussion followed

concerning the ditch and the culvert and the road. These are issues to be dealt with. Discussion about the road to the water plant followed, costs for gravel etc. It was decided that we need to have more discussions before an option is determined that will work well for the Town. This lead to another re-discussion as to what will best serve the community but no decisions were finalized.

3.3 Road Striping Project, Review Quotes and Award - Discussion and Possible Action. There were no bids received. It is simply too late in the year for a company to bid and be sure they can get materials and complete project due to probable weather conditions. Mr. Brooksby stated we can re-bid the project in early Spring where we will be at the top of the list for a business.

3.4 PTIF Account – Update Mayor Kunkel said this account has been approved and we need to decide how much we should deposit into it. After discussion, Mr. Brooksby moved to transfer seventy percent (70%) of the Town's reserve funds into this account. Mr. Pulham seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Western Rivers Old Post Office Rental Agreement - Discussion and Possible Action. Mayor Kunkel said the agreement from the County is good until May of 2023. She is concerned about the parking. If there is another guide service using the parking maybe we need to have a discussion with Mr. Lucas about this area. Sometimes it becomes very congested. It was decided that members will review the contract as it currently exists and bring suggestions and comments to the next meeting. Hopefully this can be finalized by February of 2023.

4.2 Dutch John Planning & Zoning Ordinance Update, Public Hearing - Discussion and Possible Action. Mr. Brooksby had reviewed the document and marked questions he had which need review by the Council. After discussion, it was decided the Council should have a separate meeting and go through the questions. Everyone feels that our document is a good document but it is essential we have this document as accurate as possible. There is a company that has a grant to review the document for us without charge. When the Council has completed its review, it could be appropriate to have them then do another review. It was decided to set a special meeting for November 28th at 5:30 p.m. at the Conference Hall to review the questions we have. When completed we should seriously consider codification so that updates in the future can be simple and just specific.

There being no further business Mr. Brooksby moved to adjourn. Ms. Winn seconded. Motion passed unanimously and meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Harriet Dickerson, Clerk