

Town of Dutch John



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Town Council Regular Meeting
Dutch John Conference Hall
December 14, 2022 7:00 P.M.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE: Sandy Kunkel, Al Pulham, Trevor Brooksby, Terri Winn, Harriet Dickerson, Amy McDonald, JayDee Guymon Jack Lytle, Jean Dickinson.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

1.1 Minutes of meeting: November 9, 16, 28. November 23 meeting canceled.

1.2 Business Licenses:

1.3 Expenditures:

1.4 Correspondence: Ms. Dickerson reported on Connective Utah project to increase broadband internet across the State.

Mr. Pulham moved to accept the Consent Agenda with corrections to the minutes. Ms. Winn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT Members expressed gratitude for all the work done by our volunteers operating the snow plows. It has been a big job and we have received help from our fire department, Daggett County and the BOR.

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Western Rivers Old Post Office Rental Agreement – Discussion and Possible Action. After a long discussion, this was tabled until after the first of the year. We may discuss possibilities with our attorney.

3.2 Dutch John Planning & Zoning Ordinance – Discussion and Possible Action. Ms. Kunkel said a lot was accomplished at last work meeting but not finished. A meeting was set for December 28th at 5:30 p.m. to continue discussion of possible changes/additions to PnZ Ordinance.

3.3 Distribution of BVEA grant money. Discussion and Possible Action We received \$500 for distribution to individuals for Christmas. After discussion Mr. Brooksby moved to provide \$250.00 to two difference families for this year. Mr. Pulham seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Schedule for next year. Discussion and Possible Action. The Council feels the schedule we have is working well. Mr. Brooksby moved to keep the current schedule for the 2023 year. Mr. Pulham seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4.2 Cancellation of Meeting on December 28. Discussion and Possible Action. Discussion concluded that the regular meeting for December 28 is not necessary but a work meeting to continue Planning & Zoning Ordinance review will be held, changing the time to 5:30 p.m.

4.3 Participation in local government meetings – Discussion and Possible Action. Ms. Kunkel said we have been meeting on the second Monday of each month. She asked if we want to continue with these meetings. Ms. Dickerson felt if we had something specific to discuss, we could have a meeting, but if no reason, maybe not continue. Ms. Kunkel reminded that meetings not posted so no decisions can be made. Ms. Winn agreed. Ms. Brooksby feels the meetings have been valuable for the discussions had and reaching

out to others is worth the effort. Ms. Kunkel will reach out to both Manila and the County and see how they feel, before a decision is made.

5. MEETINGS / TRAINING / INFORMATION REPORT OUT

Review meeting calendar:

Special Service District meeting – December 19. Reminder that Flaming Gorge Fire & EMS Local District public meeting will be held at the Conference Hall on December 19, starting at 6:00 p.m. We should encourage all residents to attend. They will talk about the pros and cons of joining, including the taxation component. Ms. Kunkel we started the process so they could have their say to the public. There are some questions which need to be answered. Mr. Lytle provided some input as well.

Connecting Utah initiative meeting in Manila February 21st.

Volunteer Fire Department – JD Guymon. Chief Guymon report there will be training this Saturday. He also expressed his gratitude to everyone helping with snowplowing. In particular Ryan and Brent spent a lot of time clearing the roads. Brent did sign volunteer agreement.

Chamber/Tourism/ - Mr. Pulham went to the NRA meeting yesterday. Kevin Clegg is the acting recreation manager for the District. He mentioned he would like to see them partner with the Town and with Ryan Kelly/Chamber to improve or create some new trails. There was a discussion of repairs at Antelope Campground and Firefighters, particularly the water system. The water system at Buckboard Crossing is now in jeopardy due to lower water levels. These issues will need to be dealt with as lots of things will be impacted by lower water levels. Mr. Pulham expressed his feelings that in the 18 years he worked with the system, our area did not receive the support that was required to maintain and improve facilities for visitors. Long interesting discussion followed. Our area is important for receives lots of visitors and deserves better service.

Planning & Zoning – A. McDonald – Ms. McDonald said subdividing is being worked on. Jared is working on a commercial subdivision and the County is working on a subdivision on the airport. Mr. Pulham asked about the Berthold property on the airport, but there is no building permit application. Mr. Lytle asked about the progress of the airport project and Ms. McDonald reviewed process. They have submitted things out of order and need to backtrack a little.

Roads/Trails – T. Brooksby

Buildings/Grounds - Not all of the windows were shipped, so things will wait until the whole project can be done at one time.

Cemetery – T. Winn - Ms. Winn reported the cement work has been completed. Men worked in the cold and snow for a long time. The flagpole is up as well and parking area defined. Thank you.

6. Executive Session, if necessary*Pursuant to 52-4-20 Not necessary

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Brooksby moved to adjourn. Ms. Winn seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Harriet Dickerson, Clerk