Town of Butte Falls Council Minutes

Regular Council Meeting Via Zoom May 19, 2020

Members present were Mayor Linda Spencer, President Trish Callahan, Vice President Delena Oden, Councilor Loren Oden, Councilor Stacy Equitz, Councilor Anna Huerta and Councilor Alvin Thompson.

Staff present was Town Treasurer Katie Misfeldt, Town Recorder Lori Paxton and Fire Chief Jeff Gorman.

Mayor Spencer opened the meeting at 6:59 pm once all councilors were present on the call. Meeting was held via Zoom due to the Covid 19 social distancing guidelines.

Mayor Spencer thanked the council for being patient with the Zoom meetings.

Previous Minutes: Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the previous minutes. Councilor Equitz seconded. All Ayes motion carried.

Bills: Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the bills. President Callahan seconded. All Ayes motion carried.

Fire Dept Sale of Ambulance: Fire Chief Gorman told the council that we have an offer on our ambulance. He explained that we cannot use the ambulance outside of town. He explained that the brush truck can double as a medical response unit when we get more medical volunteers in town. President Callahan made a motion to approve selling the ambulance. Councilor L Oden seconded. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Amendment to OR# 275.3 Dumpster Fees: Councilors had questions about raising the dump fees. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the amended OR# 275.3. Councilor L Oden seconded. All Ayes, Motion carried.

Administration: Recorder and Treasurer reports are available at city hall for review. Treasurer Misfeldt requested the council to add a line item to the fire departments special fund to put the sale of equipment money into. President Callahan made a motion to add the line item to the budget. Councilor Thompson seconded. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Planning Commission Update: Lyle Bozeworth has applied to join the planning commission. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the application. Councilor Huerta seconded. All Ayes motion carried.

Public Works Update: Mayor Spencer updated the council on the question they had about citizens mowing on city property. The Mayor informed them that we spoke with our insurance company and they said that if citizens chose to mow on city property around their homes that the city would not have legal liabilities involved.

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Code Enforcement Update: The council has a list of properties to review for requesting clean up. President Callahan requested to add who inspected the properties and when to the report.

Safety Committee Update: The Mayor said that the playground work requested was completed.

Councilor Reports: Councilor Equitz had concerns about the sale of the ambulance. Vice President D Oden asked about how we will balance using the brush truck for Medical and Fire calls. The Council and Fire Chief Gorman discussed the possibilities and concerns.

Councilor Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. President Callahan seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Town Treasurer Katie Misfeldt

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