Town of Butte Falls Council Minutes

Regular Council Meeting March 15, 2022

Members present were Mayor Linda Spencer, Council President Trish Callahan, Council Vice President Delena Oden, Councilor Stacy Equitz, Councilor Alvin Thompson, Councilor Matt Goodman and Councilor Paul Price.

Staff present was City Treasurer Katie Misfeldt and Public Works Operator Chris Bray. Audience present was Colleen Roberts.

Councilor Price made a motion to open the meeting at 7:01 pm. Vice President Oden seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Previous Minutes: Councilor Thompson stated that he did not agree with the fact that we can not expand the cemetery due to our forest agreement. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilor Goodman seconded. All ayes motion carried.

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

Budget Committee Members: Treasurer Misfeldt shared that we received Budget Committee Member applications from Cathy Garote and Louanne Harper. **Councilor Goodman made a motion to approve the new budget committee members.** Councilor Thompson seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Department Reports: Administration – A copy of this report is available at city hall upon request.

Community Forest Committee: President Callahan said that we have new Forest Commissioners that applied. Calbie Davis applied for recreation and Tami Pulliam applied for economics. Councilor Equitz made a motion to approve Calbie Davis for Forest Commissioners. Councilor Thompson seconded. All ayes motion carried. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve Tami Pulliam for Forest Commissioners. Councilor Equitz seconded. All ayes motion carried. President Callahan said that Marc Ellis had requested to purchase the land by his property to use for storage. After researching it President Callahan said we can not sell it to him due to the forest land use agreement. She also stated that there are other properties in town using the forest land for storage. There was a discussion. The council decided to request property owners move their belongings off of the forest land.

Fire Department: Treasurer Misfeldt asked the council to approve us applying for the Frank Alt grant and sending them a check for up to \$10,000 for the grant match. She explained that they would send us a check for up to \$20,000 in return. There was a discussion. The council requested that Treasurer Misfeldt speak to them to be sure the money we sent would be coming back to us. President Callahan made a motion to approve the town applying for the grant and to send a check for the grant match after Katie researched the grant more. Councilor Equitz seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Public Works: A copy of this report is available at city hall upon request. Mayor Spencer shared that

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there was a citizen complaint requesting the Town let go of our public works manager. There was a brief discussion about the complaint. Councilor Price made a motion for the council to agree on a vote of confidence in Chris Bray. Vice President Oden seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Mayor's Report: A copy of this report is available at city hall upon request. Mayor Spencer announced that the town is planning a celebration of the land acquisition on April 15th with a free BBQ and entertainment.

Planning Commission Minutes: A copy of this report is available at city hall upon request.

• Councilor Equitz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. President Callahan seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Town Treasurer Katie Misfeldt.

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