Town of Butte Falls Council Minutes

Meeting was held by teleconference - Zoom

Public Hearing / Regular Council Meeting June 29, 2022

Members present was Acting Mayor Trish Callahan, Councilor Stacy Equitz, Councilor Alvin Thompson, Councilor Delena Oden and Councilor Matt Goodman. Councilor Paul Price arrived late at 7:18 pm.

Staff present was Treasurer/Budget Officer Katie Misfledt and City Recorder Lori Paxton. No audience in attendance.

Councilor Equitz made a motion to open the public hearing at 6:46 pm. Councilor Goodman seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Treasurer/Budget Officer Misfledt said the purpose of the public hearing is for the council to receive the draft budget and to receive any comments on the budget. Misfeldt explained why the council was presented with two resolutions for the budget, Resolution #629 and 629A, and the difference between them.

Councilor Equitz made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 7:02 pm. Councilor Goodman seconded. All ayes motion carried. Councilor Equitz made a motion to open the regular meeting at 7:03 pm Councilor Thompson seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Acting Mayor Callahan said since we have a large agenda tonight, she suggested amending the agenda to remove the department reports and hold them over until the July meeting. Councilor Thompson made a motion to amend the agenda. Councilor Equitz seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Acting Mayor Callahan said she would like to hold a work session regarding the community forest plan and our police issues. Consensus for a work session was set for July 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

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

Bills: Councilor Goodman made a motion to approve the bills. Councilor Thompson seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Resolution #626: A resolution accepting a grant from the Josephine County Foundation for the fire dept. Councilor Equitz made a motion to approve Resolution #626. Councilor Thompson seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Resolution #627: A resolution to correct over expenditures in various department and to allow expenditures for the Community Forest operation and maintenance in this current fiscal year. Councilor Equitz made a motion to approve Resolution #627. Councilor Oden seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Resolution #628: A resolution for the town's election to receive state revenues. Councilor Equitz made a motion to approve Resolution #627. Councilor Price seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Resolution #629 & 629A: A resolution that will adopt the budget for fiscal year 2022/2023. Councilor Equitz made a motion to approve Resolution #629. Councilor Price seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Resolution #630: A resolution authorizing the acting mayor to be the designated agent for a FEMA grant. Acting Mayor Callahan said the grant has been sent in already as we had a deadline to make. **Councilor Equitz made a motion to approve Resolution #630.** Councilor Price seconded. **Councilor Goodman opposed.** Councilor Oden asked Councilor Goodman why he opposed the motion. Councilor Goodman said the grant is for a lot of money and he doesn't feel the community forest is sustainable. Acting Mayor Callahan said grants are a great way to get money to make sure it is. Councilor Price said the money has already been allotted to us, if we don't accept it someone else will.

City Recorder Paxton called for a role call vote: Councilor Oden – aye, Councilor Thompson – aye, Councilor Price – aye, Councilor Equitz – aye and Councilor Goodman – Nay. Motion carried.

Ordinance #261.3: An amendment to the current nuisance ordinance. City Recorder Paxton said three words were inserted in Section 16, line 9 and line 10, words 'residential' and 'sound producing'. Councilor Oden made a motion to approve the amendment to Ordinance #261.3. Councilor Thompson seconded. All ayes motion carried.

MOU: Memorandum of Understanding between the town and the Butte Falls School District. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the MOU. Councilor Goodman seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Contract for Audit: City Recorder Paxton present the council with the annual contract with our auditor for the same amount as last year. This will be for fiscal year 21/22. Councilor Goodman made a motion to approve the Contract for Audit. Councilor Price seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Planning Commission Permit: City Recorder Paxton presented a building permit application from James Loop. He wants to build a garage on the back of his property and the planning commission recommends approval. Councilor Thompson made a motion to approve the application. Councilor Equitz seconded. All ayes motion carried.

Councilor Equitz suggested changing the time frame in Section 16 of Ordinance #261.3 and a brief discussion ensued. Councilor Equitz made a motion to change the hours on the time frame in Section 16 of Ordinance #261.3 amendment from 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm throughout. Councilor Goodman seconded. All ayes motion carried.

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

Minutes submitted by City Recorder Lori Paxton.