Clearmont Town Council

**Regular Meeting**

# August 21, 2023

# 6:21 P.M.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The Clearmont Town Council met for a regular meeting at the Clearmont Town Hall, August 21, 2023. Mayor Chris Schock called the meeting to order at 6:21p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

Councilor present were as follows: Mayor Schock, Councilwoman Switzer, Councilman Buhr, and Councilwoman Betz. Also present were Pete Bassett, Maintenance, and Vivian Ramsay, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**VISITORS**

The Town Council Meeting had ten visitors, Sheriff Dominguez and Deputy Johnson from Sheridan County Sheriff’s Office, Cynthia Vannoy from Sheridan Media, Joseph Beaudit from The Sheridan Press, Michael Guyer, Deborah Guyer, Chris George, Greg Roher, Kaelan Haring, and Olivia Kirkey.

**APPROVAL OF CURRENT AGENDA**

Councilwoman Betz made a motion to move the Executive session above the Approval of Minutes and moved to approve the Agenda with correction. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Switzer. Motion carried 4-0.

**EXECUTIVE**

Councilwoman Betz moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel at 6:25 P.M. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

Out of executive session at 6:35 P.M.

Councilwoman Betz moved to add the new hourly wage for town maintenance and the appointment of Town Marshal under New Business. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilwoman Betz moved to approve the May 15, 2023 Liquor License Hearing meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Mayor Schock. Motion carried 2-0 with Councilwoman Switzer and Councilman Buhr abstaining.

Councilman Buhr moved to approve the June 19, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Betz. Motion carried 3-0 with Councilwoman Switzer abstaining.

Councilwoman Switzer moved to approve the July 17, 2023 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 3-0 with Councilwoman Betz abstaining.

**REPORT OF TREASURER AND APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Vivian Ramsay presented the bills that were paid in July 2023 and the claims to be paid in August 2023. Councilwoman asked about a bill from Powder River Energy of $11,796.21. Mrs. Ramsay explained the bill was for the aeration system electrical work paid out from the ARPA fund.

Councilwoman Betz moved to approve the report for the Treasurer and approve July 2023 Bills Paid and August 2023 Claims to be Paid. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

**REPORTS OF MAYOR, COUNCIL, CLERK, and MAINTENANCE**

Mayor Schock presented two reamortized schedules prepared by Beth Blackwell for Well#3 loan. The decision was tabled.

Mayor Schock reported on the progress on Well#3.

Mayor Schock stated that the Department of Audit is having a course for the Public Officer Training in person and in virtual available on August 23, 2023. He also said he would contact Kathy Weinsaft from Wyoming Rural Water to see if she could possibly come out to the town hall to do a training for free. Vivian Ramsay stated that a form for the Public Officer Training certification will be attached to the F-66 due on September 30, 2023.

Council: Councilwoman Switzer asked about the hole between Water Street and Piney Ave. Mayor Schock said it will be fixed soon.

Clerk: Vivian Ramsay said that she will be going to WAMCAT from September 27 – 29, 2023.

Mrs. Ramsay reported that the town hours have been changed to Monday to Thursday, 11am – 4pm.

Maintenance: Pete Bassett reported that the 2023 Sanitary Survey went well, and little suggestions were made.

Mr. Bassett discussed the dumpster situation. Discussion was held.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilwoman Betz moved to approve FY23 Compiled Financial Statement Engagement with Carver, Florek & James, CPA’s. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilman Buhr moved to award the propane bid to Big Horn Co-op at $1.43 per gallon for 1500 gallons. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Switzer. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Switzer made a motion to appoint Kaelan Haring as the new council member. Motion was seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

Oath of Office was given to Kaelan Haring for Town Council effective August 21, 2023.

No motion was made to appoint the Town Marshal.

Councilwoman Switzer moved to approve the hourly wage increased to $25.00 for Pete Bassett, Town Maintenance. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Betz. Motion carried 4-0.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Councilwoman Betz moved to table the barking dog ordinance until after the town attorney examine it. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Switzer moved to approve transferring $140,000 general fund from Operating Account to General CD. Motion seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0.

**NEXT MEETING**

Regular Meeting, September 18, 2023 @ 6 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilwoman Switzer moved to adjourn at 7:24 P.M., seconded by Councilman Buhr. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

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Mayor, Chris Schock Town Clerk, Vivian Ramsay