

Tropic Town Council Meeting

Minutes of the Tropic Town Board Meeting
Held October 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Tropic Town Heritage Center

PRESENT: Mayor WaLon Brinkerhoff **BOARD MEMBERS:** Shilo Richards, Mike Burbidge, Jason Bybee and Travis LeFevre. Marie Niemann – Tropic Town Clerk & Sydney Syrett – Tropic Town Treasurer.

OTHERS: Gaia Greenhalgh, Brett Chynoweth, Bob Subweeks, Ken Tuttle, Reed LeFevre, Dennis Pollock, Gary Bybee, Brook Wiseman, Layne & April LeFevre.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor WaLon Brinkerhoff

PRAYER: Michael Burbidge

PLEDGE: Shilo Richards

APPROVAL OF MINTUES: A motion was made by Mike Burbidge to approve the minutes of the Tropic Town Board Meeting held September 10, 2015. Second by Jason Bybee. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: A motion was made by Shilo Richards to approve the agenda with the addition of Layne LeFevre. Second by Travis LeFevre. Motion carried.

THE COMMUNITY

Council Member Mike has arranged for KSL News reporter Bruce Lindsay to do a motivational seminar for the community; Mike being a good friend of Mr. Lindsay will follow up.

FINANCIAL/WARRANTS

Utah Local Government's Trust will be performing property inspection Wednesday, October 14 at 8 am; Brett, Ron and Sydney will accompany him. Sydney reported audit is underway; Council discussed the public hearing to address water/sewer rates. It was decided a public hearing will be held follow Town Board meeting in November – Town Board will begin at 5 pm with the public hearing at 6:30 pm.

Financial Report was given, all was in order; a motion was made by Mike Burbidge to approve the warrants – Second by Jason Bybee. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Gary Bybee: A commercial building project was reviewed by the planning commission; being proposed was a one & two bedroom vacation rental units. No definite site plan/building blueprints were available. Mr. Bybee was asked to contact Fire Chief Ron Harris to sign off on the project; which was done. Though he didn't have his project drawings available he requested five (5) water/sewer connections. A motion was made by Mike Burbidge to approve the purchase of the five w/s connections – with the understanding Mr. Bybee would need to return back to the planning commission for review of the construction project - Second by Travis LeFevre. Motion carried.

Gene Anderson: A building permit approval was given in September for Mr. Anderson; which currently a water/sewer connection exists. There was some confusion regarding the number of physical connections located on his property.

He reported there are two connections and would like to purchase one more totaling three (3). Brett clarified there are two, but only one is active; one connection was discontinued due to non-payment.

After this revealing information, a motion was made by Shilo Richards to approve one(1) w/s connection for Mr. Anderson – Jason Bybee will follow up to clarify Mr. Anderson’s request. Second by Travis LeFevre – Motion carried.

Layne LeFevre: A culinary water leak was found and has been repaired, due to the leak their water bill was high; Mr. & Mrs. LeFevre approached the Council to discuss a compromise in their bill. As previously done in other cases, the Town has split the overage and paid (½) half, if the leak was promptly repaired. A motion was made by Shilo Richards for the Town to pay ½ the overages to Layne & April LeFevre’s water bill. Second by Mike Burbidge – Motion carried.

ROADS/STREETS

Acknowledgement was given to Brett and Bob for their good work in laying asphalt; Brett is hauling materials from Cedar City for this project. Council Member Jason Bybee reported Bryce Canyon City is crack sealing roads on October 19th; it was asked that Brett make contact, bringing all resources together and getting more projects done.

Discussed road funding and projects; need to confirm this is on the CIB 5-10 year plan.

PARKS/RECREATION

Season winding down, Bryce Canyon NHA will be using the facility October 22nd, nothing further scheduled. Brett reported winterizing public facilities/restrooms and baseball complex is done on November 1st; standard routine; Council agreed.

Scheduling holiday street lights was discussed; up before Thanksgiving turned on after Thanksgiving.

Repairs, painting, etc. to the conference room in underway, discussed flooring options – carpeting, polished cement, etc. The motion was made by Jason Bybee to have polished cement – Second by Travis LeFevre. Motion carried -Mike will follow up.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

N/R

EMPLOYEE REPORT

General Election 2015: Open and Public Meeting Affidavit was read and voting on Resolution #2015.1 Cancelling the Tropic Town 2015 General Election was taken. Council Member Travis LeFevre made the motion approve the Resolution #2015.1 and those who the following candidates be declared elected – Second by Shilo Richards – Motion carried:

Council Member Dennis Pollock
Council Member Brook Wiseman

Bryce Valley Lodging Agreement: An agreement between Tropic Town and Bryce Valley Lodging pertaining to removal of and the restoring of a section of sidewalk bordering the property was read and reviewed – outlined the rights, duties, and liabilities of each party. A motion was made by Michael Burbidge – Second by Travis LeFevre – Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Tropic Post Master Karen Ott will be retiring October 30th; Carl Boyd proposed to the Mayor and Council to make a proclamation declaring October 30th as Karen Ott Appreciation Day. A motion was made by Mike Burbidge to approve – Second by Shilo Richards. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mike Burbidge to move into an executive session with Sunrise Engineering – Second by Travis LeFevre. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Travis LeFevre to return to Town Board meeting and to adjourn – Second by Mike Burbidge – Motion carried.

Approved this 12th Day of November 2015

Marie H. Niemann – Tropic Town Clerk