

Tropic Town Council Meeting

Minutes of the Tropic Town Board Meeting
Held September 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Tropic Town Heritage Center

PRESENT: Mayor WaLon Brinkerhoff **BOARD MEMBERS:** Jason Bybee, Travis LeFevre, Dennis Pollock and Brook Wiseman. Marie Niemann – Tropic Town Clerk & Sydney Syrett – Tropic Town Treasurer.

OTHERS: Sydney Syrett, Bob Sudweeks, Dixie Burbidge, Sklyer & Ciera Syrett, Kam & Jade Roundy, James Greer and Daren Cottam.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor WaLon Brinkerhoff

PRAYER: Dixie Burbidge

PLEDGE: Kameron Roundy

APPROVAL OF MINTUES: A motion was made by Travis LeFevre to approve the minutes of the Tropic Town Board Meeting held August 11, 2016. Second by Dennis Pollock. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: A motion was made by Dennis Pollock to approve the agenda. Second by Travis LeFevre. Motion carried.

THE COMMUNITY

PLANNING COMMISSION

Dixie Burbidge: A building permit application was reviewed for the construction of two-(2) treehouses – There was no quorum present at planning commission, but the project was found to be in order; setbacks, zoning, etc. Construction plan is not completed ~ will be completed within the month - Jones & DeMille is the engineering firm; would like approval so construction can begin; not waiting another month. The motion was made by Dennis Pollock to approve a building permit for this project – Second by Brook Wiseman. Motion carried.

Discussion commenced regarding w/s line/connection ~ location, ownership, 300 ft. distance from/to, etc. Brett was not available to verify installation; will follow up with Brett and what is stated in the ordinance.

Skyler Syrett: A proposal to open a daycare facility was presented. As with Dixie, the project was discussed at planning commission and forwarded to the Town Council to review and receive support before proceeding. The business is listed under conditional uses, but rather than apply for a conditional use permit, Skyler would like to rezone property from residential to commercial – it is noted the property does border the (GC zone) General Commercial.

FINANCIAL/WARRANTS

A review of the warrants was given – Sydney reported workman’s compensation insurance is due for renewal – a motion was made by Jason Bybee to approve the warrant as given and to renew workman’s compensation insurance – Second by Dennis Pollock – motion carried.

Purchase of Park Property: Still having reservations regarding the purchase, Travis LeFevre made the motion for the Council to meet in an Executive Session following Town Board - Second by Brook Wiseman. Motion carried.

CULINARY/SEWER

James Greer – Utah Water Rights: In Town Board January 2016, Mr. Greer discussed with Mayor Brinkerhoff and Council the owning, identifying, and using water rights and to negotiate and settle these issues between the State and Federal government. Mr. Greer provided a copy of the proposed agreement with the National Park Service regarding future needs for Bryce Canyon National Park and Tropic Town. The agreement gave Bryce Canyon three-(3) more acre feet of water for future development; and it identifies that Tropic Town has existing right-of-way permits; but the Town would still have to go through the process to get access the permits; would not allow a permanent access permit. Other questions or concerns discussed included the expansion of Bryce – the possibility of denial because of the goshawk or other environmental preservation; Mr. Greer stated that the Town’s right predates BCNP, and as long as the permit do not laps, the process should be easy to renew the permits. As far as expansion, Park Service could not pipe in water or take it from the Town’s water source. Mr. Greer reported the Irrigation Company has not yet put their stamp of approval; but in principal they support it. Council would like to meet with the irrigation company to review and receive their input on the agreement – possibly Wednesday, September 21st.

Water Tank Alarm: Cost of the alarm is \$11,800 ~ reviewed the proposal provided by SKM, Inc. Discussed needed equipment. A motion was made by Brook Wiseman to proceed with the purchase and installation of the monitoring device alarm for the second water tank – with the exception that if an additional phone line is required, the Council will address the purchase again before moving forward Second by Jason Bybee – Motion carried.

ROADS/STREETS

Drainage Project: Daren Cottam reviewed the proposal for the Town’s street & drainage improvement submitted by Pro Value Engineering – Hurricane Utah; estimated cost of the project \$600,000.00. Council will review and discuss the application in the executive session following town board meeting.

Main Street Shrubs: It was brought to the Council’s attention of landscaping on Main Street being cut down – It was agreed that problems/concerns should be brought before the Council rather than taking action upon themselves to remove or cut down. Direction was given for notice to be sent to Main Street Business owners addressing the issue.

PARKS/RECREATION

The UV light for the splash pad was installed; will be winterized by removing it until next summer. Columns for the netting at the baseball field are being installed.

Also, there has been vandalism at the Town Park in the bowery - contact with the parents regarding the incident will be made. Discussed the use of phony security cameras to discourage the behavior – would also be placed at the baseball complex as well.

Council would like the Lion’s Club to remove the old veteran’s memorial, its cement structure is deteriorating; and has not been maintained. A letter will be sent addressing the issue and if the Lion’s club would like to preserve it, the Council would encourage them to relocate it in Henrieville or Cannonville.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Annual EMT/Fire Department dinner - September 21st – Town Park; Provided by Bryce Canyon City and Tropic Town. A motion was made by Jason to support the annual Thank you dinner – Second by Dennis Pollock – Motion carried.

ANIMAL CONTROL: No Report

EMPLOYEE REPORT

Meet the candidate night will be held Wednesday, October 12 at 7 pm

MAYOR'S REPORT

No Report

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Dennis Pollock to move into an executive session – Second by Travis LeFevre. Motion carried.

The executive session: Mayor Brinkerhoff, Council Members Dennis Pollock, Brook Wiseman, Travis LeFevre, Jason Bybee and Town Treasurer Sydney Lamas.

Motion to adjourn the executive session and move back into Town Board meeting was made by Brook Wiseman - Second by Dennis Pollock – all in favor.

Travis LeFevre made a motion to table the town park land purchase until further information could be received on the actual size. Motion was Second by Dennis Pollock, all in favor.

A Motion was made by Brook Wiseman to award Daren Cottam/Pro Value Engineering the road drainage project - Motion Second by Travis LeFevre, all in favor.

The public meeting motion to adjourn made by Dennis Pollock - Second by Jason Bybee, all in favor.

Approved this 13th Day of October 2016
Marie H Niemann – Tropic Town Clerk