

## City of White Sulphur Springs

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on June 5, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Rick Nelson called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Pattie Berg  
Rick Ellison  
Lee Blanchard

### A. Call Meeting to Order

### B. Roll Call

### C. Pledge of Allegiance to Flag

**D. Public Comment:** Public comment will be accepted on public matters not listed on this agenda and are within the jurisdiction of the City Council and having a significant interest to the public. During a regular session, there will be time after each agenda item for comment about that item.

1. Step up to the podium and state your name and address for the record.
2. Please limit your comments to THREE (3) minutes.

### E. Read & Approve - Accept or Reject Minutes

#### 1. April 3rd Meeting – Regular Session

*Possible Motion: Move to Accept Minutes as presented or as amended*

The Mayor asked if there was a motion to approve or reject the Regular Session minutes from April 3<sup>rd</sup> as presented. Rick Ellison motioned to approve the Regular Session April 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes as presented. Lee Blanchard seconded the motion. All said Aye. Motion carried and passed.

#### 2. April 18<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing Meeting and Regular Session

*Possible Motion: Move to Accept Minutes as presented or as amended*

This was tabled until next month.

#### 3. May 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting – Work Session and Regular Session

*Possible Motion: Move to Accept Minutes as presented or as amended*

This was tabled until next month.

#### 4. May 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Session and Work Session

*Possible Motion: Move to Accept Minutes as presented or as amended*

This was tabled until next month.

### F. Receive/Accept Reports

#### 1. Sheriff's Report – Sheriff Jon Lopp

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Meagher County Sheriff's Office Complaint Report month of May. The Mayor said that the no parking signs behind Town Pump have been put up and the stop sign has been put back up. Jon Lopp said that there was a homicide on the 21st (a shooting between two males Dominic Driscoll and Ben Bullington), with formal charges on Dominic Driscoll for the death of Ben Bullington in District Court tomorrow.

#### 2. City Court Report – City Judge Lori Sorenson

The Mayor for the citation activity and case statistics reports was handed out for the Council. It was a busy month with a lot of hours, sentencing, and community service for one individual a possibility for this month.

#### 3. Fire Department Report - City Fire Chief Sam Peeler – none.

#### 4. City Engineer's Report - Great West Engineering

Jessica Salo reported that Great West Engineering has been working on:

Task Order 2: Water System Preliminary Engineering Report

Work during this period includes:

Preparing the PER document which evaluates the entire water system and presents replacement of the 12-inch transmission main as the preferred alternative with a funding scenario that includes ARPA and SRF loan/forgiveness.

Task Order 3: Capital Improvements Plan (CIP)

Work during this period includes:

- Summarizing community survey outreach material responses.
- Coordination of the PASER streets analysis.
- Field work and office work associated with the PASER evaluations.

Task Order 4: Backup Generator

Work during this period includes:

- Development of design plans and specifications for the water well and lift station backup generators.
- Bidding and award of construction contract.
- ARPA progress reports and budget updates.
- Contractor submittal reviews.

Task Order 6: General Services

Work during this period includes:

- Review of materials pertaining to the Mountainview Medical Center annexation, attendance at meetings, preparation of recommendations to planning board, and discussions with Rocky on various design components.
- Variance to setbacks review and recommendations.
- Assistance with Finucan easement.

#### 5. Public Work's Report - City Public Works Supervisor Rocky Vinton - The City Shop building materials arrived.

The Crew has been working on patching the streets, land use permit applications, working on mapping, locates for curb stops, and valves. The mount being fabricated to attach the asphalt zipper to the loader is almost done and then the Crew can start to rip up and repaving streets.

#### 6. Animal Control Report – Marc Pryor

Marc Pryor said that the Spay & Neuter Clinic is coming up on the 17<sup>th</sup>. The animals have been scheduled in for treatments. Marc Pryor thought that there should be enough volunteers. Marc Pryor said that with public donations and the Race for this Place donation coming up in July the animal control fund should have enough in it for the construction of the new shelter building. Rocky Vinton has been digging and prepping for the new Animal Shelter concrete slab. A chicken roaming around town, but never found out who it belonged to.

#### 7. Parks Committee Report – Jennifer Frazer

There is still one vacancy. The tennis/pickle ball court facilities have been being used every night. The Committee has been looking into getting two porta potties for the Parks.

#### 8. Meagher County/City Housing Project Report – Jackson Rose

Terry Taylor said that the Committee meeting for the housing project on May 25<sup>th</sup> with groups and community participation. HRDC grants will be available for low income housing residents wanting to renovate their house and the Meagher County Stewardship will be handling the applications and funding.

#### 9. Library Report – Rachel Wahlstrom – none.

### I. Unfinished Business - Items for Discussion and/or Action

#### 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Snow Removal Policy/Ordinance 2023-4

Discussion and/or Action

Continued item from May 16, 2023: Approval on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ordinance 2023-4, ordinance language re: snowfall, snow removal, and melting issues for residents.

Accept Public Comment

*Possible Motion: Move to finally adopt Ordinance 2023-4. OR Move to continue 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Ordinance 2023-4 as amended during discussion.*