



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

February 13, 2023

Minutes

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.
3. Roll Call took place with council members present, Buford, Pepper, Kurtz, Smith, Romero, Watkins, Barber, Town Administrator Karen Gates, Town Attorney Phil Malouff and Town Clerk Scarlett Markus
4. Additions/Changes to the Agenda: Add Item 8F-Cemetery Fence
5. The changes to the agenda were approved 7-0. **Pepper (M), Watkins (S)**
The agenda was approved with changes 7-0: **Watkins (M), Pepper (S)**
6. The January 24, 2023, minutes were approved 7-0. **Romero (M), Smith (S)**
7. Public Comment: (those individuals interested in speaking, please sign in at the beginning of the meeting. Comments are restricted to five minutes per person. **None**
 - A. **Council Comments-None**
8. Old Business-
 - A. **An update on Faw Wells was given**
 - B. **An update on the demolitions were given**
 - C. **An update on the town hall remodel was given**
 - D. **An update was given on the junk vehicle matters**
 - E. **An update was given on the 2019 audit**
 - F. **An update was given on the cemetery fence project**
9. New Business
 - A. The sale of the property to the nursing home was discussed
 - B. This item was tabled for further research of the cemetery ordinance
 - C. Clerk Scarlett Markus discussed having a fall festival in September in Ordway
 - D. Town Administrator Karen Gates updated the council on the CML Annual Conference in Aurora on June 25-28, 2023.
 - E. It was discussed that a meeting with GoCO would be on February 15, 2023, to discuss funding options for playground equipment upgrades
 - F. The extended warranty for the backhoe at 60 months/5000 hours was approved 7-0. **Buford (M), Kurtz (S).**
 - G. The purchase of the mower and tractor from Muth Welding was discussed.

H. The purchase of street signs was approved 7-0. Half of the deposit will be paid up front. **Buford (M), Kurtz (S).**

I. The water tank and tank inspections and repairs were discussed.

J. This item was removed from the agenda

K. Resolution 2023-06 was tabled for further discussion

L. Resolution 2023-07 was tabled for further discussion

M. Resolution 2023-08 was tabled for further discussion

10. The council went into executive session at 7:30 pm- Pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4), executive session may be entered into for the purpose of discussing legal advice, matters to be kept confidential by law, security, and negotiations. **Kurtz (M), Smith (S).**

The council returned from executive session at 7:58 p.m.

11. The OCF Water Contract was approved 7-0. **Pepper (M), Kurtz (S)**

12. The renewal application for Starbuds was approved 7-0. **Kurtz (M), Romero (S)**

13. The extension for Wild Weed was approved 7-0. **Kurtz (M), Romero (S)**

14. The pay rate increases for Scarlett Markus, Benny Aragon and Rick Torrez to \$19.00 per hour was approved 7-0. **Pepper (M), Kurtz (S)**

15. Next meetings or work sessions: February 27, 2023

16. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The following Call-in information was provided for remote attendance.

January 24, 2023 Town Council Meeting

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Date