

Thayne Town Council Meeting
April 19, 2023

FINAL

Council in attendance: Mayor Simpson, Councilmember Woolley, Councilmember Heward, Councilmember Passey
Excused: Councilmember Pelletier

Welcome: Mayor Simpson

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilmember Heward

Prayer: Mayor Simpson

Approval of March 15, 2023 Council Meeting Minutes and the Adoption of the April 19, 2023 Council Meeting Agenda as finalized.

Motion- Councilmember Woolley

Seconded- Councilmember Heward

Motion Carried

Public Comments

None were given.

Riverside Nursery

Heather Aullman is looking for a new location to move her greenhouse. Nick Aullman has offered two possibilities on a couple pieces of his property. One is zoned as residential so will not work for the greenhouse. The Town Council would like to see her keep her business in the Town of Thayne and would be open to looking into the possibility of leasing one of the Town's lots in the Business Park on 6-month lease.

Judge Larry Lawton

Judge Lawton is planning to attend the Municipal Judge and Deputy Clerk Training in May. He would like to take his own personal vehicle even though the Town has a vehicle that can be used, and asked if the Town would be willing to reimburse fuel expenses instead of mileage.

Councilmember Heward

Parks and Recreation – Softball signups are going on now. Poles next week for field lights. Cliff picked up the tractor and attachments and they all look like they are in good condition.

Meter System- Lower Valley Energy is looking into moving to a RF system. The system will meter gas, water and electric. With a lot of infrastructure money available it is easier to be approved to receive a large amount of money for large projects than a smaller amount. Lower Valley Energy would like to approach all the municipalities and water districts in the area to get on the same collection system. This would include new meters that would give daily readings. Consumers can look up how much water they are using. Easier to find leaks in the Town lines. There is someone that will write the grant.

Councilman Pelletier - Excused

Community Center

Councilman Woolley

Streets Report-

Will start working on getting potholes filled. Getting ready to start doing maintenance work on equipment to keep things in good condition. Can take the big truck to Idaho Falls to be hooked up to computer that will be able to diagnose if it needs to be overhauled or if the horsepower can be adjusted.

Cliff has been going through the new tractor to fix a few leaks. The skid steer needs some maintenance work done. Trying to get out to sweep the streets when the weather allows.

Councilwoman Passey

Fire District – Few of the fireman will be attending the Cody Fire School. Will be scheduling the propane fire training that they will hold on the sewer lagoon land.

Water Report – Cliff is currently at training. Councilmember Passey inquired about the Wagner’s septic tank that they put in last year until they can bring the septic line across Dana Street to hook too. Whether the septic tank has been pumped or if they have a leach field. With so much snow it is hard to determine. They have a deadline of July 31, 2023 to hook to the Town sewer or they will be fined every day after.

Activities- Town Easter Egg Hunt went well. Councilmember Passey would like to purchase a new Easter Bunny Costume. The Town Clean Up and Arbor Day will be held May 2nd. Will not be planting a tree that day because of all the snow but will plan to plant one later in the year. The Mayor will take recommendations of where to put a new tree. The Town qualified for the Tree USA for 2022.

Mayor Simpson

Mayor Simpson asked for any questions or comments about the 2023/2024 Town of Thayne Budget and if anyone had any changes or adjustments that needed to be made. None were given.

Motion to approve ordinance 376-379 Town of Thayne budget for 2023/2024 on 2nd reading

Motion- Councilmember Passey

Seconded- Councilmember Heward

Motion Carried

Changes were made to Ordinance 380 that were discussed at the March Council Meeting. Mayor asked if there were any other questions or comments and if there were any other items that the council would like changed or adjusted. None were given.

Motion to approve ordinance 380 Town of Thayne Utilities Electrical and Communication Lines 2nd reading

Motion- Councilmember Woolley

Seconded- Councilmember Passey

Motion Carried

New legislation SF 164, bidding requirements have been changed from \$35,000 and raised to \$75,000. Bidding requirements have been changed for vehicles. If you do not get a bid back, you can purchase the vehicle but needs to be a vehicle with the same items that were listed for bidding.

Clerk Hutchinson attended WAMCAT training and learned that some of Sally’s salary should come out of the Water and Sewer fund since she does the administrative duties for utilities. The Council decided to take 15% Water Fund, 15% Sewer Fund, 20% Community Center, 50% Admin.

The Mayor met with United Church that is located on the North end of Town. They would like to put a house on their property for housing for their pastor. This is acceptable because they are located on commercial property.

The Mayor met with Mike Hansen to go through the Town’s insurance.

Dale Cottom, Dr. Johnson’s attorney, met with the mayor about the possibility of Dr. Johnson splitting his business lot property with the oral surgeon that will be sharing a new building that he will be building and sharing with the oral surgeon. They would like to split the property line down the middle of the building. Because there is not an ordinance that would cover anything like that, they would need to get a variance and then they would need to subdivide the property to split the property. This would delay the building for another year.

No updates for Hemmert Ranch. The Town has not received anything from them.

Motion to go into executive session at 6:50 pm.

Motion- Councilmember Passey
Seconded- Councilmember Woolley
Motion Carried

Motion to issue checks to be ratified at the next council meeting.

Motion- Councilmember Passey
Seconded- Councilmember Woolley
Motion Carried

Motion to pay bills.

Motion- Councilmember Passey
Seconded- Councilmember Heward
Motion Carried

Motion to Adjourn Meeting 8:10 p.m .

Motion- Councilmember Woolley
Seconded- Councilman Passey
Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

General Bills:

225 BBQ Etc.	Cornhole Tournament	\$150.00
All Star Auto Parts	Maintenance on equipment	\$131.99
AlSCO	Uniforms	\$99.92
AT&T Mobility	Cellphones	\$87.98
BISCO	Streets/Repairs and Maintenance	\$1,781.30
Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY	Insurance	\$9,769.86
Broulim's	Easter	\$202.88
Caselle	Caselle Maintenance and Support	\$797.00
Conrad & Bischoff	Fuel	\$866.82
Dad's Bar and Steakhouse	Cornhole Tournament	\$100.00
Deyholos, Sheryl	Spin Instructor	\$185.00
Energy Lab Inc.	Testing	\$390.00
Ferguson Waterworks	Water Supplies	\$2,437.43
Gem State Paper and Supply	Paper Products	\$523.98
Graze, LLC	Volleyball Tournament	\$100.00
Hale, Kaylee	Volleyball	\$100.00
IIMC	Clerk Subscription	\$175.00
JACZ Drive-In	Easter	\$26.00
Jenkins Lumber & Hardware	Repairs and Maintenance	\$156.60
Jensen, Megan	Easter	\$145.05
Lincoln County Sheriff	Communications	\$743.00
Lincoln Self Reliance	Cleaning	\$630.00
Local Government Liability Pool	Insurance	\$1,692.00

Lower Valley Energy	Electricity	\$7,070.14
Luthi & Voyles	Legal	\$1,522.21
One-Call of Wyoming	Repairs and Maintenance	\$25.51
Passey, Sydney	Easter	\$666.59
PrintStar	Easter	\$47.34
Salaries		\$22,385.79
Silver Star Communications	Telephone/Internet	\$444.33
Star Valley Disposal	Garbage	\$595.00
Sterling Codifiers	Subscription	\$500.00
Sunrise Engineering	Engineering	\$5,311.25
Star Valley Quick Stop	Fuel	\$753.48
SVI Media	Advertising	\$57.00
Thayne True Value	Repairs and Maintenance	\$90.09
Titan Machinery	Repairs and Maintenance	\$218.64
Town of Afton	Lab Testing	\$64.00
US Postal Service	Administrative	\$114.00
Valley Tech, LLC	IT	\$314.54
Valley Wide Cooperative	Fuel	\$967.48
Wallentine, Andrew	Equipment – Tractor	\$33,000.00
Wyoming Association of Rural Water	Training	\$395.00
Wyoming Conference of Municipal Courts	Training	\$150.00
Wyoming Minuteman Supply	Cornhole	\$300.00
Wyoming Retirement System	Benefits	\$2,472.74
Wyoming Secretary of State	Notary	\$60.00