

Thayne Town Council Meeting  
November 16, 2022

**FINAL**

Council in attendance: Mayor Simpson, Councilmember Schwab, Councilmember Woolley, Councilmember Heward, Councilmember Passey

**Welcome:** Mayor Devin Simpson

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Devin Simpson

**Prayer:** Judge Larry Lawton

Change to Agenda: Mayor Simpson added an Executive Session to the End of the Meeting

**Approval of October 19, 2022, Council Meeting Minutes, November 2, 2022 Special Council Meeting Minutes and the Adoption of the November 16, 2022 Council Meeting Agenda as finalized.**

**Motion-** Councilmember Passey

**Seconded-** Councilmember Schwab

**Motion Carried**

**Public Comments**

**None were given.**

**Samantha Marquis**

Ben and Samantha Marquis have purchased the Hitching Rail building and will be changing it from a retail store to a real estate office. The building does not meet the current ordinance requirements for adequate parking space. The Marquis is applying for a variance to allow the current building to change from a retail store to real estate office and allow for the current parking space.

**Motion to approve a parking variance to the building at 280 North Main to fall under a retail and/or professional office space.**

**Motion-** Councilmember Heward

**Seconded-** Councilmember Passey

**Motion Carried**

**Director Richard Landreth – Lincoln County Library System**

Gathering more information for the Library Board regarding the recent lease increase for their space at the Thayne Community Center. Councilmember Heward reminded that the rent covers for power, water, sewer, air-conditioning, plowing, maintenance, and the overall upkeep of the building. The library space is one of the only tenants that have air-conditioning. Mayor Simpson advised that because we are a public entity that they can make a formal request for the detailed expenses that the Town pays for the Community Center.

**Sunrise Engineering – Robert Hood**

Robert was absent. Mayor Simpson updated the council that no one bid on the Booster Pump project.

**Judge Larry Lawton**

Judge Lawton submitted his report to the council and had nothing to add.

**Councilmember Heward**

**Water Report** – Need to encourage everyone to run their water through the winter so pipes do not freeze.

**Parks and Recreation** – Girl's and Women's volleyball is currently running. Basketball signups will be starting soon. Currently working on the ski club for 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Community Center** – Will have volunteers help to finish painting the gym floor and seal it. As it gets cold the community center will be getting busier.

#### **Councilman Schwab**

##### **Sewer Report**

Councilman Schwab had nothing to report.

Cliff reported that the house at the end of Wright Street sewer service line right off the main line was broke, they had to dig up the street to fix the line. They will not be able to fix the concrete around the manhole and repave the street until next spring.

#### **Councilman Woolley**

##### **Streets Report**

Concerned about taking over Wright Street and plowing the street worried that the plow will take out the manhole. Have not heard anything on the completion of the punch list that needs to be completed before the Town will take over Wright Street. There are two things on the punch list that will not be completed until next spring. Kevin Paul has given a check to the Town to serve as a cash bond until it is completed.

With the addition of plowing Meadows, the Town needs to investigate getting a third person to help with plowing.

Councilmember Schwab made the recommendation to table the approval of Resolution 2022-8-17 Hazard Mitigation Plan one more month so he could finish reading its entirety.

#### **Councilwoman Passey**

Had nothing to report.

Cliff reported that DEQ is of the opinion that the Town will need to get a Ground Water Permit to monitor the tank that the Fire District would like to put at the sewer grounds.

There are a few more checks that need to clear the Fire Departments bank account before we transfer funds.

#### **Mayor Simpson**

The Mayor attended the WAM training in Jackson. State statute has recently adopted requiring financial training for anyone that oversees or handles money in any government entity. The State does not have specifics, but councilmember and clerks will go through the training. Amendment A passed so Towns will have more flexibility of how they invest money. Audits were discussed and who needs to do a professional audit. The Town is not required to do a professional audit but the Mayor feels that it is a good practice to have to cover those that are overseeing the money. Mayor feels that we could do better with showing what is purchased with the debit card. The Mayor has asked the clerk to create a statement with the receipts that the council can see at council meeting and sign just like what is done for the checks the Town issues. Councilmember Heward attended part of the WAM training regarding town's liabilities and that personnel/council should not be doing anything that they are not proficient at. The Mayor met with Dustin Burton and his brother who own the property south of Not Too Shabby known as the Bragger Addition. The property was divided into two lots. Lot 1 has a septic and well for water. When the property was subdivided the Town required that any future development would need to have Town water and sewer which is stated on the final plat map. It will be a big expense to get the infrastructure to the property. The Town does not put infrastructure in to improve property. Mayor met with Ty Wagner about the sewer crossing on Dana Street. Deadline of July 31, 2023 was given to have the crossing done. They will need to carry a bond for the project and need to reimburse the Town for the expenses that the

Town has covered so far. The County has given the extension. Mayor and Robert met with the Seltzer Group regarding the Hemmert Ranch. Feedback was given to them from the November 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Council Meeting. They will now complete the requirements in the Subdivision Ordinance. Once they have it complete, they will bring it to the council and will have a meeting for the public to give comments and concerns. The Town Christmas decorations have been setup. The Christmas on the Canal will be held on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Robert Shumway made a switchboard to use with money donated by Deanne Robinson, to switch on lights with music that will be played. Santa will be at the Community Center this year. Suzanne Aullman and Donna King have put in a lot of time setting up for the event.

**Motion to go into executive session 7:05 p.m.**

**Motion**- Councilmember Passey  
**Seconded**- Councilmember Heward  
**Motion Carried**

**Motion to accept the \$50.00 bid from Cliff Eggleston for the Walker Mower.**

**Motion**- Councilmember Passey  
**Seconded**- Councilmember Heward  
**Motion Carried**

**Motion to give a \$500.00 year-end bonus to all the Town of Thayne Employees from the Town General Fund as the Mayor Deems Appropriate.**

**Motion**- Councilmember Passey  
**Seconded**- Councilmember Schwab  
**Motion Carried**

There will be a Christmas gathering for all Thayne employees/councilmembers on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 pm before council meeting. Refreshments will be served.

**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 Woolley  
**Seconded**- Councilmember Passey  
**Motion Carried**

**Motion to Adjourn Meeting 7:31 p.m .**

**Motion**- Councilmember Woolley  
**Seconded**- Councilman Passey  
**Motion Carried**

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:31 P.M.**

**General Bills:**

All Star Auto Parts	Maintenance on equipment	\$545.4.
AlSCO	Uniforms	\$92.32
AT&T Mobility	Phones	\$151.92
BlueCross BlueShield of Wyoming	Health Insurance Benefits	\$4,884.93

Briggs Roofing Inc.	Community Center Roof	\$33,237.28
Broulim's	Events	\$107.26
Caselle	Caselle Maintenance and Support	\$797.00
Casper College	Education	\$69.00
Certified Laboratories	Supplies	\$357.90
Deyholos, Sheryl	Spin	\$242.50
Energy Lab Inc.	Testing	\$351.75
Fenton's Office Solutions	Office Supplies	\$63.42
Ferguson Ent	Water Supplies	\$314.60
Gem State Paper and Supply	Paper Products	\$356.40
Hutchinson, Rebecca	Training Reimburse	\$79.19
Jenkins Lumber	Christmas	\$165.50
Lincoln County Sheriff	Communications	\$743.00
Lincoln County Treasurer	Property Tax	\$512.68
Lincoln Self Reliance	Cleaning	\$1,260.00
Lower Valley Energy	Electricity	\$4,394.88
Luthi & Voyles	Lawyer	\$715.00
Manwaring Web Solutions	Subscriptions	\$240.00
Oenslager, Anna	Volleyball	\$120.00
Oenslager, Evie	Volleyball	\$36.00
Print Star	Christmas	\$20.86
Riverside Greenhouse & Graphics	Volleyball & Football	\$1,083.00
Silver Star Communications	Phone	\$606.55
Star Valley Disposal	Garbage	\$170.00
Star Valley Quick Stop	Fuel	\$309.64
Sunrise Engineering	Engineering	\$8,378.75
SVI Media	Advertising	\$104.50
Team Laboratory Chemical	Rec Supplies	\$774.00
Thayne True Value	Repairs and Maintenance	\$228.64
Thompson, Kamryn	Volleyball	\$36.00
Town of Afton	Lab Testing	\$27.00
Triple H Landscaping	Repairs and Maintenance	\$426.00
Wyoming Department of Workforce Services	Workers Comp	\$1,411.25
Wyoming Retirement System	Benefits	\$2,472.74

**Fire Department Bills:**

Wyoming Department of Workforce Services	Workers Comp	\$562.06
Wyoming Retirement System	Retirement	\$525.00
Town of Thayne	GPS Service (SilverStar)	\$160.52