

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session on February 20, 2024, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Adam Estenson, Council members Bill Malloy and John Dorman Sr. Also, present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Jim Jeunehomme, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Police Chief Pat Cornwell, Public Works Director Basil Sorensen, Town Attorney Marshall Keller and Town Engineer Anthony Barnett. Council members Rachel Hughes and Dusty Lewis were absent.

AGENDA: Following the pledge of allegiance, Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the agenda as written.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Dorman made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the financial statement for January 2024.

MINUTES: Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the executive session minutes from January 2, 2024.

RESOLUTION 577: BUDGET ADJUSTMENT: Dorman made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve and adopt Resolution 577, which adjusts the budget to reflect actual costs.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: MAIN STREET THERMOPOLIS: MERI ANN DORMAN: BREWFEST: Meri Ann noted the Brewfest is scheduled for June 1, 2024. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to allow the use of the old fire hall and to close Broadway from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> street from noon to 10pm.

PUBLIC HEARING: LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL: At 7:04 pm a public hearing was opened for comments on the liquor license renewal applications for the period of April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025. Hearing no public comment, Estenson closed the hearing. Dorman made a motion, seconded by Malloy and carried to approve the liquor license renewals. The retail licenses include: OEB LLC, 7 Lazy S Café LLC, Mack's Market LLC, OEB Saloon LLC, Grand Cru Enterprises, Maverik Inc (Maverik #577), Big Spring Spa LLC (Safari Club), and Compass Realty Group (Thermopolis Liquor); bar and grill licenses for OEB LLC (One Eyed Buffalo Brewing) and Lopez Inc (Los Cabos); Microbrewery License for OEB LLC (One Eyed Buffalo Brewing) and a limited retail liquor license for the VFW. Pizza Hut, (GMRG) did not renew their restaurant liquor license.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Chief Cornwell noted the problems with routing the 911 calls had been resolved. He also noted the Eventide recording system was being installed.

TOWN ATTORNEY: FARMERS MARKET PARKING: ORDINANCE 875: Keller read the proposed ordinance. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the third and final reading of the ordinance.

### ORDINANCE 875

An ordinance enacting parking restrictions on 5<sup>th</sup> street between Broadway Street and Warren Street. Whereas the farmers market operates on fifth street between Broadway Street and Warren Street from June 1 to October 15 on Saturday mornings, and whereas the vendors cannot put up stalls in the designated area if vehicles are parked there.

Passed on first reading, January 16, 2024. Passed on second reading, February 6, 2024. Passed, approved and adopted on third and final reading, February 20, 2024.

ADMINISTRATION: HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT: Jeunehomme noted Homeland Security had approved a \$16,336.00 grant for radios for the streets department. He also noted the Text-my-Gov software would be up and running February 21, 2024.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 7:12 pm. Malloy made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to enter executive session, as allowed by state statute 16-4-405 (a)(ii). Regular session resumed at 7:23 pm.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: OTHER: Estenson read a press release concerning a public records request for body cam footage. The footage will be released to the local newspaper of record, the Thermopolis Independent Record. At 7:28 pm, Dorman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Malloy and carried. The next Council meeting is March 5, 2024, at 7pm.

ATTEST:

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Tracey Van Heule, Clerk/Treasurer

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Adam R. Estenson, Mayor