

Minutes from Emery Town Council January 13, 2021

Members present: Amy Sundstrom, Pat Sundstrom, Lindsay Edwards, Mike Christensen

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm; US pledge of allegiance recited.

Minutes from December 9, 2020 Town Council were reviewed. Pat made a motion to approve the minutes; Mike seconded. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye.

The Open Invoice report was reviewed. Pat made a motion to approve payment all open/unpaid invoices; Lindsay seconded. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye.

Mayor Amy K. Sundstrom took a moment to thank all those involved in making “Santa in a Fire Truck” possible, noting David Gardner, Terry Edwards, Pat Sundstrom, Dennis Mangum, Kim Hansen. Discussion was held concerning the purchase of a new Santa Claus costume (at least a beard).

Mayor Sundstrom reported that **garbage collection rates have raised 2%** - and that the increase is merely a contractual increase resulting in an additional \$18.82 being charged to the town annually. At this time, these costs will not be incorporated into an increase in citizen garbage collection rates.

Terry Edwards’ probation period has ended and so he is due for a \$0.25 raise as per his employment agreement. Pat made a motion to approve a \$.0.25 raise for Terry; Mike seconded. Pat: aye, Amy: aye, Mike: aye, Lindsay: abstain.

The town needs a new truck as **the town dump truck is nearing its end of life**. Maintenance Supervisor, Terry Edwards, recommends replacing it with a pickup truck fitted with a snow removal package. The Council Members discussed the proper means to finance such a purchase and whether the budget may need to be amended to accommodate the acquisition. **It was decided to hold a Public Hearing** to discuss the matter. The Public Hearing will be scheduled for January 20, 2021.

Council Member Lindsay Edwards reminded the Council Members that action needs to be taken on the CIB Grant in order to acquire matching funds for the Eccles Grant which has been awarded for preservation of the Pioneer Church.

Council Member Mike Christensen had no new developments to report. Mayor Sundstrom asked about the building occurring at the Musser Property and Mike agreed to investigate to be sure all is being done according to Town Protocol.

Council Member Pat Sundstrom reported that Emery’s Water Usage is well-within normal usage – on average the district used 1.81 acre foot per connection.

Pat made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Lindsay seconded it. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye. **Meeting adjourned 6:42 pm.**

Minutes approved: _____
date

Amy K. Sundstrom – Mayor

Liberty Mason – Municipal Recorder