

Minutes from Emery Town Council September 16, 2020

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

Public Hearing called to order at 7:12 pm; US pledge of allegiance recited.

Minutes from August 12, 2020 Town Council were reviewed. Pat made a motion to approve the minutes; Lindsay seconded. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

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

Mayor Amy Sundstrom reported on the **Emery County Tourism** meeting. An independent marketing/PR firm has been hired to promote and monetize “The Swell” as a premier outdoor adventure destination. Emery Town has the opportunity to receive custodianship of 640 acres of wilderness land just outside of town which we can design and manage in any way we desire to ‘tap into’ the growing tourist industry. Council will hold a Public Hearing in at the October, 2020 Town Council meeting to discuss and decide whether to accept stewardship.

A bid from JMZ Lockz was reviewed and the council recommended soliciting one other bid from a local company before making a decision on whether to rekey locks and whom to hire to do it.

Amy requested a ‘wish list’ of items to purchase with **CARES monies** and suggested that the town stock up on cleaning and Sanitizing supplies before remitting the balance to Emery County to be used for small business grants. Pat made a motion to approve spending of the funds necessary to build an adequate inventory to meet current and near-future needs of COVID-19 prevention and Sanitization practices; Mike seconded. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

Council Member Lindsay Edwards reported that there will be an engineering firm installing a test helical pier at the **Pioneer Church** on Sept 17th; and that a geotech firm will also be collecting soil and water samples at that time.

Council Member Mike Christensen reported that he spoke with property owner Jared Parkinson regarding some **development** Mr. Parkinson was considering on his land. Mike relayed that upon learning the complexity and expense involved, it is unlikely that Mr. Parkinson will move forward with any of the projects at present.

Council Member Pat Sundstrom informed the Council that the CVSSD was audited and demonstrated itself to be in “really good shape.” He reported that upon receiving the **“Capital Improvement Fund Wish List”** Emery Town submitted, the CVSSD replied that they “don’t do sidewalks” (a main item of Emery Town’s wish list). Pat confirmed that the agreement between Bronco Mine and Emery County has been signed and that all is well with the arrangements.

Council Member Sam Payne noted that he would like to review the **auditors' report** from Emery Town's (now completed) Annual Audit. Mayor Amy Sundstrom briefly explained some of the Auditor's key findings and assured Sam that he will receive a copy of the audit report once it arrives at the Town Office.

Pat made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Lindsay seconded it. Amy: aye, Pat: aye, Lindsay: aye, Mike: aye, Sam: aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm.

Minutes approved: _____
date

Amy K. Sundstrom – Mayor

Liberty Mason – Municipal Recorder