

**Town of Sedgwick
Record of Proceedings
October 18th, 2021**

Members Present: Peggy Owens, Danny Smith, Dora Devie, Bill Boler (by phone), Dale Jones

Employees Present: Heather Moore, Richard Kehm, Kelly Williamson

Call to Order: The Town Board met in regular session. A quorum was verified by the Mayor Pro-Tem, and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the Mayor Pro-Tem Danny Smith.

Roll Call Mayor Wayne Price Here

Danny Smith	Here	Teddy Morgan	Absent
Peggy Owens	Here	Bill Boler	Here By Phone
Dale Jones	Here	Dora Devie	Here

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Approval of Agenda

Peggy Owens made a motion to approve the agenda, Dale Jones seconded, all in favor; none opposed, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

- Some spelling corrections and sentence structure corrections.

Motion: Approve the minutes

Dora Devie made a motion to approve of the minutes of with corrections, Peggy Owens seconded, all in favor; none opposed, motion carried.

Bills (Published in Julesburg Advocate)

- Dora asked why the Occupation Tax Sales Tax was so low, it was explained that it was due to late payments coming in this month.

Motion: Bills Roll Call Vote

Peggy Owens made a motion to pay the bills, Dale Jones seconded. (Roll Call: All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

Public Comments – reminded they will have 3mins.

- Susan Wolf –
 - Expressed the impressive nature of the history of our ordinances. Informed the Board that Dora, Lupe and herself spent a great deal of time reading all the ordinances and the Code Book in preparation for this evening.

Mayors Report

- **Danny Smith:** Doesn't have a lot to report but did thank staff for doing a good job.

Maintenance

- Town pickup has new struts and a front-end alignment.
- Will begin Trimming Trees
- Water has been turned off at the parks
- Large amount of fuel is missing from the shop fuel tanks, have now installed chains and pad lock on handles.
- May need to replace outside motion sensor lights.

Clerk's Office - Heather Moore

- Got the estimate at \$3500 for a new entry door, and \$1325.00 for the labor to widen the doorway.
 - Several Board Members spoke that this cost isn't justified, when we are talking about saving money. And our Fire department has an AED on the Trucks. Also, the few hours the Current location is closed doesn't seem to be all that inconvenient.
- Estimate to replace all the east sidewalks at Centennial Park is \$8381.00
- Engineering Contract came in and ready to sign. This is the first step to applying for PER grant funding.
- One issue came up this month with the rate at which our meters are reading. Five years ago, the Town started using a different meter reader on the Meters, when this happened the calculation was entered into our billing system incorrectly. The results is everyone with a 6-digit read was never charged correct overage rates. They were way less than they should have been. This caused a loss is revenue for the Town.
 - *Clerk requested permission to send a letter to all residence to inform them of the error. No other action was requested or instructed.*

Board of Trustees

- Danny Smith:
 - Wonders if adding cameras to the Town Shop would help with theft.
- Dale Jones:
 - Informed the Board that he knows of a grant that is specifically geared toward Rodeo grounds. He believes that they would give up to \$50,000 to fix it up. He asked to Board for their support in him working on that Grant, the board gave their consent of support.
 - There is a big chain Hotel that is showing interest in coming to Town. They are looking at the 5 acres on the West side of Town off McKinstry. By the sounds of it, they want around 65 rooms, 3 stories tall and a few cabins for hunters.
 - *Town Legal Counsel informed the board this is currently zoned Residential and would require public hearing to Re-Zone.*
 - Another idea to bring income to the Town and help people out is explore the option of adding RV Hookups at the Rodeo arena. This would be 10 on the North side, and 10 on the South side against the Fence. Not sure who would collect the money for the spots or if it would be on the honor system. Might have to limit the used during Harvest fest for the Rodeo and demo derby. Also, not sure what it would cost to put in electrical only.

New Business

- **Preston Melvin-** Just wanted to come and discuss the option of building green houses on the 2 acres that is know as the Old Football Field. This will be family ran, so a house on the north side will be built. We will build 8 geo-thermal green houses for Lemon Trees, Mangos and Pomegranate. Then on the South side will do acre circle of Cherry Trees. The idea will require to have the area re-zoned as mix use agriculture or variance. Would use the equivalent of water use as a standard single residence per green house since its on a drip system. This would be wholesale only, so no commercial traffic to worry about.
 - *Board directed Legal Council to explore a zoning description that could be added to the Zoning Book. Support was indicated*
- **Rhonda Gram** – Not here tonight.

- **High Plainz Strains (New Marijuana Cultivation License)**

- Town Clerk informed the Board that the application is now complete. All required documentation has been received.
- Odor mitigation was described by an Employee. Hydro Ionization will be used, this is installed in the AC units. This will also kill mold and viruses. The Buildings don't have outside air exchanges.

Motion:

Dale Jones made a motion to approve the application, Peggy Owens seconded. (All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

- **Michelle Price** – Not here tonight. (But Clerk has a comment)

- Since we don't have any rules or standards for approving Food Trucks in Town, we do ask that they provide us with a Colorado sales tax license, and the Health Certification to make sure people are safe. We also ask that they receive permission to park in front of any business.
 - Danny Smith added that he would like to have in office a letter from the land or business owner that is giving the permission.

- **Resolution 21-3 – Town Board Members are not Employees**

- This is done annually for our insurance renewal process. This is a formality making it public that our Town Board members are not Town employees.

Motion:

Peggy Owens made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-3 – a resolution that Board Members are not Employees, Dora Devie seconded. (All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

- **Preliminary 2022 Budget Discussion – Dan Pederson**

- The first thing of concern is the County Assessed Valuation, Mill Levy amount may have to change. This may have to do with part of Town that was previously out of Town but shouldn't have been. Not that the County has added that land back into Town, that could have been what caused this increase.
- Second Page of the Budget, projecting \$1,572,000 for Revenue. Projected increases to the expensed were discussed. Increase wages to \$120,000.
 - Dora asked why the Employee Health Insurance line is blank. This will be fixed.
- Will need to add expense funds at \$5000 for maintenance to the Community Center.
- Adding the Electrical to Rodeo Grounds is being estimated.
- Some of the Capital Improvement lines will flow through to the 2022 year since they were not used.

Old Business

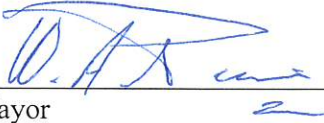
- **Ordinance 01-2021 Introduction to the Code Book – First Reading.**

- **Lupe Cassias** – Spoke to the Board explaining the process they have taken in reviewing. They each wrote down their own questions and comments. Then sat down together to go over them. Lupe reminded the Board that we do have a 5-year contract with American Legal, giving us time to work on our Code Book.
- **Dora Devie** – Used tonight's time to ask clarification and definition from Legal Counsel. Not suggested Changes were asked or made.
- **Discussion will continue at next meeting.**

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion:

At 8:46pm Dale Jones, made a motion to adjourn, Peggy Owens seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.



Mayor



Attest: Town Clerk

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