

**Town of Sedgwick
Record of Proceedings
August 9th, 2021**

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

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, , and the meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the Mayor Wayne Price

Roll Call Mayor Wayne Price Here

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

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes

- Some spelling corrections and ending correction of a sentence was removed.

Motion: Approve the minutes

Dora Devie made a motion to approve of the minutes of the July Regular Meeting and August 2nd Special Meeting with Corrections, Peggy Owens seconded, all in favor; none opposed, motion carried.

Bills (Published in Julesburg Advocate)

- Dora Devie requested to move funds out of Points West into Colo trust.

Motion: Bills Roll Call Vote

Dora Devie made a motion to move \$180,000 into the Sewer Plus and \$150,000 into Water Plus, Danny Smith seconded. (Roll Call: All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

Motion: Bills Roll Call Vote

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

Public Comments – reminded they will have 3mins.

- Nelly White –
 - Thanked Richard for apologizing for over spraying weeds. Asked why the Town Clerk works 20hours a week. Additionally, who checks on the work that is promised by contractors.
 - If the board is voting on raise of wages, but there is talk of raising the water rates.
 - Requested a letter of explanation for these items.
- Jessica Harrington –
 - Requested to borrow 10 tables and 50 chairs from the Community Center.
 - Asked if they can allow a family member to park an RV at the Rodeo Grounds

Motion:

Dora Devie made a motion to allow Jessica to borrow the requested tables, chairs and park RV at the Rodeo Grounds; Danny Smith seconded. (All in favor, None Against) motion carried.

- Brandy with Natures of Sedgwick –
 - Requesting permission to have a BBQ at the Jailhouse Park on Saturday, kids games and to have family friendly music outside for their one year anniversary.

Motion:

Teddy Morgan made a motion to allow celebrate their anniversary as explained; Danny Smith seconded. (All in favor, None Against) motion carried

Mayors Report

- **Wayne Price:** I feel we are all going to work good together. Richard and Kelly will be working hard to get town cleaned up for Harvest Festival. We had a little issue with a fire hydrant, we will run it and let it flush to see if that will seal it better.

Maintenance

- Repairing the Crows Nest at the rodeo arena, the wood will need to be replaced soon.
- Painting all the flower planters, and the old little gazebo at the centennial park
- Will get new flags. And the street sweeper before harvest festival
- The backflow preventor needs replaced at the Community Center.
- Water leak in a meter pit was fixed.
- Beginning of Fall we will begin tree trimming and will clean all the shoulders of the dirt roads next couple weeks.
- Better Electric will be coming to repair/replace a meter at the lift station.
- In regards for Kelly Williams wages, I would suggest \$13 and hour.
 - *Dora Devie: Bill and I drove around Town and gave a list to Wayne for you to work on. And the rodeo arena looks good.*

Clerk's Office - Heather Moore

- All of Audit is done.
- Getting ready for Harvest Festival.
- With that and regular monthly items, been staying busy.

Board of Trustees

- Bill Boler:
 - The 25mph Speed limit signs need an Ordinance, Legal Council was requested to draft the Ordinance. Stop signs don't need an Ordinance you just have to follow the Uniformed Code of Traffic, per Legal Counsel.

Motion:

Bill Boler made a motion to have the Ordinance drafted to make Town speed limit changed to 25mph; Peggy Owens seconded. (All in favor, None Against) motion carried

- The AED needs 24 hour access, would like to have a second door installed in Town Hall, and leave the outer door open 24hours.

Motion:

Bill Boler made a motion to have an AED 24 access to be located at Town Hall; Danny Smith seconded. (All in favor, None Against) motion carried

- Danny Smith:

- On Ordinance 01-2021, I would like to reintroduce it. I have come in the last couple weeks, reading every single ordinance, and then the Book. I think it is so much easier to read the book rather than going in and trying to figure out how each rule has been amended.
 - *Peggy Owens: That is why this book was brought up to begin with. To make it useable. I support bringing it back up.*
 - *Dora Devie: before we do that, I suggest a couple citizens sit with a Board Member to go through any suggested changes to clean it up. Danny suggested that Dora take that project of going through the book and come back with suggested changes. Dora nominated Susan Wolf and Lupe Cassias.*

Motion:

Dora Devie made a motion to have Lupe, Susan and myself will create a committee and have suggested changes ready for the next meeting; Peggy Owens seconded. (All in favor, None Against) motion carried

- **Dora Devie:**

- On our monthly drive around, we noticed how nice all the yards are looking. Would like a thank you in the newsletter.
- The old toilet at the rodeo arena, can we put up a piece of plywood up so no one can enter it
 - *Danny Smith: It is just a wasp home.*

Motion:

Dora Devie made a motion to have the toilet at rodeo grounds closed off; Peggy Owens seconded. (Five in favor, Danny Smith Against) motion carried

- I have had 3 people ask about Rockin Rikkies, they want to know how they are paying us?
 - \$20 per day they are operating.
 - They are not paying for water and are hooked up to the museum water.
 - *Lupe: I have asked them to move from in front of my place during Harvest Fest. They have talked about moving between the museum and my place.*
 - *Board agreed to ask them to move off main during Harvest Fest.*

New Business

- **Jack McClary.**

- The Cemetery Board would like to ask the Board for another donation this year. Historically the Town would donate \$1000. But last year it was agreed to give \$1500. This goes to maintaining the grounds and the equipment used to maintain.
 - *Town Clerk: Not sure what happened last year, but the Board asked me to make sure we had sufficient funds to make a higher donation. I sent that request to our accountant, I don't remember if he got back to me, Cemetery District never came in for that check, and I honestly forgot about that, my apologies to the Cemetery District. So that check was never cut.*
- We are also looking for another Board Member if you or know of anyone interested.

Motion:

Dale Jones made a motion to donate the \$1500 for last year and the \$1500 for this year for a total of \$3000; Teddy Morgan seconded. (All in favor, None Against) motion carried

- **Scott Szabo (Auditor)**

- Heather will hand out the Audit to you. We have a letter in the beginning, explaining a quick outline of your results and any suggested findings. Then suggested adjustments
- Audit went very well, and has been submitted to the State already.
- We include the Budget that was passed for the year, then any supplementals. Then we show the actual spent and a column with the difference. We show a very healthy general fund.

- Then Scott walked the Board through how to read and understand the Audit. He explained that our water loan is interest fee so would suggest paying it off at this point. That all funds look good, higher spending is expected in the Water fund due to that water main break that happened. He has no concerns.
- **Transfer funds from General to Water and Sewer Funds**
 - Dan Pederson explained that at the Budget the Board agreed to transfer funds from the General Fund to the Water and Sewer fund. Even though it was Budgeted we never actually made that Motion. There are two different Motions needed, one for 2020 in the amount of \$30,000 and the one in 2021 in the amount of \$230,000 that will allow for a three-year cushion.

Motion: Bills Roll Call Vote

Dale Jones made a motion to transfer \$30,000 from the General Fund to the Water and Sewer Fund for the year 2020, Dora Devie seconded. (Roll Call: All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

Motion: Bills Roll Call Vote

Dale Jones made a motion to transfer \$230,000 from the General Fund to the Water and Sewer Fund for the year 2021, Peggy Owens seconded. (Roll Call: All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

- **Employee Wages**

- Danny Smith started with offering Health Insurance, that breaks down to a nice raise for Richard.
- Teddy Morgen, agreed with the comment from Mrs.White, that it's wrong to give a raise to employees but we are going to need to raise water rates to our community.
 - *Discussion in why water rates are being considered, it has to do with the possible future loans and grants to get the Sewer project, and to bring our rates up the State average to Get the DOLA and USDA funds..*
- Dora Devie asked Kelly if he has a drivers license, how close he is to getting a CDL.
- Bill Boler feels we can pay a 14 year old girl to do Kelly's Job, he should to go get a real job, he only worked 92 hours last month.
 - *Remaining board members did not support his comment.*
- Peggy Owens expressed we have really good employees, and we should take care of them.

Motion:

Dale Jones made a motion to raise Kelly's wages to \$14 per hour; Peggy Owens seconded. (three in favor, Bill, Teddy and Dora Against) Tie breaking vote by the Mayor (Mayor in favor) motion carried

Old Business

- **Master Plan for Water and Sewer**

- MSG Consulting Engineers is the company DOLA mentioned.
- Danny Smith and Peggy expressed the ease to understand, and the options of grants was great.
- Three estimates for the project where attempted, Elements Engineering and MSG are the two that responded.
- Discussion on the two companies and the Board feelings were conducted.

Motion:

Danny Smith made a motion to accept MSG as our Sewer Project Engineering Company, Dale Jones seconded. (All Voted for, None Against) motion carried.

• **Harvest Festival**

- Danny Smith informed the Board that we don't have the donation for the Pork, should we figure something else out? Board will go to DL so see if they will help us. Danny asked if the Board would make salads or anything. Any help from the Board, I can't do it all myself!
- BBQ and the Bounce house will be at the Centennial Park per the Boards previous request.
 - *Town Clerk reminded the Board any purchases for the BBQ needs a receipt for the reimbursement.*
 - *Board discussed pork sandwiches, beans, and anything else.*
- Town Clerk was asked to order the Honored Citizen Plaques
 - *Town Clerk asked the Board if they want candy ordered or anything for the kids (no response)*
- Rob Crowder: So far we have \$5000 for the Demolition Derby. We would like permission to submit a donation request from Stretesky Foundation in the name of the Town, the funds would be split \$4000 to the Demo Derby and \$1000 for the kid's rodeo.
- In the past the county would donate \$400. If a request could be sent in.
- Port-a-poties will be ordered.
- Town will collect all the Donations and then will cut the checks to the winners for the Demo Derby, this will be coordinated with the Town Clerk and Jan Toyne
- Town Clerk asked if the Board would like to have one final workshop to fine tune the festival, suggested the 30th, it was an indicated agreeance.

Motion: Bills Roll Call Vote

Danny Smith made a motion to allow the Fire Department to submit the Grant Request in the Towns Name, Dora Devie seconded. (Roll Call: All Voted for, None Against) motion carried


• **Dale Jones**

- Danny Smith added a quick note: The County will start a county wide Economic Development, and would the Town support that? The Board is in support of this

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion:

At 8:27pm Danny Smith, made a motion to adjourn, Peggy Owens seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.



 Mayor *Pro Lim*



 Attest: Town Clerk

