

Minutes April 6, 2020

Minersville Town Council held a regular meeting on Monday April 6, 2020 at the Minersville Town Hall at 5:00 pm. Due to the potential spread of the COVID-19 Virus. This meeting was conducted via zoom. Council present: Caleb Evans was in office, Kolby Blackner, Kade Blackner, Brandon Wiseman and Kalie Stringer via zoom.

Public works supervisor Brandon Davis via zoom and Town Clerk Cherie Wood in office.

Mayor Caleb Evans opened the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

Minutes: Kade Blackner made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 16th council meeting without additions or corrections. Kolby Blackner seconded the motion; all voted in favor the motion passed.

Thermo Road Cattle Guard bids: Two bids were received, one from CMSI and Rasmussen Excavation L.L.C. Kade Blackner made a motion to table the bid opening until April 20th council meeting so the council could meet in person and so that each council member could look at the bids in hand and go over them in detail. Kolby Blackner seconded the motion; a roll call vote was taken, all voted in favor the motion passed.

Town employee hours during the COVID-19 restrictions: The council discussed keeping everyone on payroll even though hours may drop and library is closed. Kolby Blackner made a motion to continue to pay employees for their scheduled hours because it is already budgeted and we want them to go right back to work as soon as this is over. Kalie Stringer seconded the motion; Brandon Wiseman vote yea, Kalie Stringer voted yea, Kolby Blackner voted yea, Caleb Evans voted yea, Kade Blackner excused himself from the vote due to conflict of interest. The motion passed. The pool and employees will be discussed closer to the opening date.

The hanging flower pots need to be ordered if the council would still like them this year. The council discussed having two employees this year to take care of them. They also need to be watered on weekend, Brandon Wiseman said he would be willing to help out on weekends. Kade Blackner made a motion to order the flower pots the same as last year, Brandon Wiseman seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Pay bills: Mayor Caleb Evans looked through the bills presented, one bill was brought to the councils attention in the amount of 2300.00 for a respirator for Brandon to use in the chlorine building. Brandon explained that it was purchased to remove points from our water inspection. Kalie Stringer made a motion to pay the bills, Kade Blackner seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Other business:

Kade Blackner will not be working on the county road agreement until the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

Brandon Wiseman would like to update the council on the Hospital Board which have been having meetings weekly. They are in great shape right now with plenty of PPE no cases of COVID-19 yet. Mayor Evans has also been in conference calls with the County Commissioners and Mayors from the other cities and health professionals weekly.

Kalie Stringer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Kade Blackner seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 5:34 pm

Cherie C. Wood

Minutes April 20, 2020

A regular meeting of the Minersville Town Council was held Monday April 20, 2020 at 5:00 pm at the Minersville Town Hall.

Council present: Mayor Caleb Evans, Kade Blackner, Kalie Stringer, Kolby Blackner and Brandon Wiseman. Town Clerk Cherie Wood and Public Works Supervisor Brandon Davis.

Visitors:

Prayer was given by Kolby Blackner

Mayor Evans call the meeting to order at 5:03 pm

Minutes: Kade Blackner made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting without additions or corrections. Kolby Blackner seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Bid opening: Mayor Caleb Evans opened the sealed bids for the Thremo Road Cattle Guard project. Two bids were received, one from CMSI in the amount of \$36,750.00 and from Rasmussen Excavation L.L.C one in the amount of \$47,120.00 with a state spec used cattle guard or if the council would like them to purchase a new cattle guard that is not as heavy they included a bid of \$42,552.00 with the downgraded cattle guard.

Each Council Member was allowed time to look at each bid individually and compare. The council discussed the weight of the trucks that will be going over the cattle guard and how much traffic is now on the road compared to when the last cattle guard was installed.

Mayor Evans commented that he would like to support our local contractors.

Kalie Stringer made the motion to award the bid to CMSI stating that not only is it the lowest bid we will also be supporting our local businesses. Brandon Wiseman seconded the motion stating that he is supporting CMSI bid because of the price difference and what it will be saving the Town. Roll call vote: Kalie Stringer yes, Brandon Wiseman yes, Kade Blackner no, Kolby Blackner no, Caleb Evans yes. The motion passed.

The Council asked Cherie to send letters to CMSI and Rasmussen's to let them know and that the Town appreciates their time and interest in this project. Also to send a letter to Minersville Land and Livestock and Beaver County Commissioners requesting the money that they will be donating to this project.

Lawn mower and bag: Kalie Stringer would like to purchase a bag for the lawnmower so that the grass is picked up off the park, she has checked with Sagers and it would cost 1000.-1500.00 for a bag depending on the model of the mower. Brandon Davis thinks that if Barry Marshall mows the lawn around the swimming pool and wherever it is the longest twice a week or every 5 days there will be no need for him to bag it. The council discussed a new lawnmower but Brandon says he doesn't think we need one this year. The council agreed that they would like Barry to mow every 5 days for the next month or so and if the grass that is left behind is still excessive then they will discuss purchasing a bag.

Financial review: The council received in their packets a copy of the YTD actual budget to review. The Clerk asked if anyone had any questions or concerns. Kalie Stringer wanted clarification on the police budget and why it was over budget on wages and benefits. Cherie explained that it was only over 863.00 in wages and 1486.00 in benefits which is a pretty close guess on her behalf with the pay increase that Kevin was given and that budgets are just a guessing game. Kalie also questioned Travel and Conventions in the water fund, Cherie explained that Brandon had to attend a back flow

prevention training that was not planned on along with the 4 day water conference in St George. So it did put the budget over 44 dollars.

Cherie told the council that everything else looks good so far but we may have to make a budget adjustment on the water fund equipment and supply because it is getting very close to being over budget because of more equipment repairs than was planned on. The last few months of the budget year is the time we have to watch what we are spending closely, and also next year will be a challenge because of the economy right now which will affect our budget next year with the sales tax revenue that we receive.

Swimming Pool and Lifeguard hiring: The council discussed the pool opening date. They will make a final decision if and when the pool will be opening this year with the COVID 19 pandemic. The council understands that the Health Department and Governor will give us directives but they would all like to see it open this summer and would like to shoot for June 1, 2020. They all agreed to let the pool manager start May 1st getting the pool up and running so when we get the go ahead it can open. Kolby Blackner made a motion to hire the 7 applicants that we received for lifeguards pending the pool opens and also pending that they all have their lifeguard certifications by June 1, 2020. Kalie Stringer seconded the motion; all voted in favor, the motion passed.

Other Business:

Kolby Blackner would also like to discuss the 4th of July. The prizes for the drawing have been purchased and the fireworks have been order also. The Council will continue to plan for the celebration for now.

Kolby Blackner made a motion to adjourn, Kade Blackner seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm

Cherie C. Wood