

MINUTES  
TOWN OF HUDSON TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 4, 2020 - 6:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Hargis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor, Laura Hargis – Present  
Mayor Pro Tem, Maria Chavez – Absent  
Councilmember, Candace Nolf – Present  
Councilmember, Joe Hammock – Present  
Councilmember, Dwayne Haynes – Present  
Councilmember, Sarah Stadler – Present  
Councilmember, Daniel Warren - Present

Charity Campfield, took roll call and (6) Councilmembers were present.

Town Staff Present:

Town Manager – Guy Patterson  
Town Clerk - Charity Campfield  
Hilary Graham – Town Attorney  
Town Planner – Jennifer Woods  
Public Works and Utilities Director – Hunter Fobare  
Police Chief – Jay Hirokawa

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

None

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Tami Botelho, 442 Birch Street, reported that there was a 3<sup>rd</sup> party looking at leaks on her street and is still wanting to know when the mud is being cleaned up.

Lisa Buesgens, 105 Main Street, wants the water concerns on the next agenda. The pressure, the high bills, and the community concerns with the water. She is also concerned that the commission openings are not being advertised.

Shannon Norgren, 260 Elm St, reported that her mother lives at the Housing Authority and she was burglarized by someone who was given a master key to the facility. She was not notified for two months after the incident. She reported that there is a drug problem going on at the pond at night. She would like to propose a rec center.

**1) CONSENT AGENDA**

(Consent Agenda Items are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. There will be no separate discussion of Consent Agenda Items unless a Councilmember or Citizen so

requests, in which case the items may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered at the end of the Regular Agenda.)

- a. Town Council Meeting Minutes, February 5, 2020
- b. Town Council Meeting Minutes, February 19, 2020
- c. Payment of Bills
- d. Liquor License Renewal – The Pepper Pod

Councilmember Stadler made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Warren to approve the Consent Agenda.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Stadler, Nolf, Haynes, Hammock, Warren and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None

Mayor Hargis declared the motion carried.

**2) GENERAL BUSINESS**

**a. LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER INTERVIEWS:**

**i. PRUITT**

Linda Pruitt reported that she lives south of Keenesburg where she farms. She is finishing her two-year term with the SE Weld conservation board. She would like to see a more digital presence with the library.

**ii. WAFEL**

Wilber Wafel reported that he would like to see a branch over in Keenesburg for the children of that community.

**iii. CAMPBELL**

Shawn Campbell reported that he recently moved to the area for his job. He would like to get more involved in the community and he is a big fan of the library.

Councilmember Warren requested more information on where the current board members are and if there equal representation.

Councilmember Warren made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Stadler to move the vote for the Library Board Member appointment to March 18, 2020.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Warren, Stadler, Nolf, Hammock, Haynes and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None

Mayor Hargis declared the motion carried.

- b. RESOLUTION NO 20-03: A RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE HUDSON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES.**

This resolution was tabled until March 18, 2020

- c. ORDINANCE NO 20-01: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10-6 OF THE HUDSON MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING USE OF PUBLIC RECREATIONAL PROPERTY, SECOND READING.**

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that this is a second reading and it came from the GOCO grant and looking at how the Town is lacking in some regulations of the Town Parks.

Councilmember Stadler made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hammock to approve Ordinance No 20-01 an ordinance amending section 10-6 of the Hudson Municipal Code concerning use of public recreational property, second reading.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Hammock, Stadler, Nolf, Haynes, Warren and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None

Mayor Hargis declared the motion carried.

- d. RESOLUTION NO 20-04: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2020 TOWN OF HUDSON PERSONNEL POLICES.**

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that when he first started, he realized that the personnel policy was lacking. He reported that he worked with Sam Light at CIRSA, and Corey Hoffmann has also reviewed it. He reported that one of the biggest things we removed the FMLA portion since it is for organizations over 50 employees. The disciplinary actions have been clarified.

Councilmember Warren made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hammock to approve Resolution No 20-04, a resolution approving the 2020 Town of Hudson personnel policies.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Warren, Haynes, Stadler, Nolf, Hammock, and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None

Mayor Hargis declared the motion carried.

- e. **RESOLUTION NO 20-05: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH DC CONSTRUCTION, LTD. FOR THE ASH STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$147,120.00**

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that Council wanted in the budget for sidewalks on Ash Street. The bid process was turned over to Northern Engineering and they reviewed the bids and awarded the bid to DC Construction, who Councilmember Chavez's brother owns.

Councilmember Warren made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Haynes to approve Resolution No 20-05, a resolution approving the construction contract with DC Construction, LTD. for the Ash Street improvements in an amount not to exceed \$147,120.00

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Warren, Stadler, Nolf, Hammock, Haynes and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None

Mayor Hargis declared the motion carried.

- f. **ALLOWING TOWN MANAGER TO CANCEL MCCOOL DEVELOPMENT SOLUTIONS, LLC AGREEMENT AS NECESSARY.**

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that last summer the Town brought in McCool Development Solutions, LLC for planning services in the meantime. He feels that after reviewing what is coming up, he would like the authority to cancel the contract to have the availability to hire a full-time planner again.

Councilmember Stadler made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Nolf to allow the Town Manager to cancel McCool Development Solutions, LLC agreement as necessary.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Stadler, Hammock, Haynes, Nolf, Warren and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None.

Mayor Hargis declared the motion carried.

**g. APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR CONTROL OF CONFIDENTIAL DATA WITH THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.**

Charity Campfield, Town Clerk, reported this is an agreement the Town needs to have with the State in order to be able to communicate with the Department of Revenue for sales tax information.

Councilmember Nolf made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Stadler to approve the memorandum of understanding for control of confidential data with the Colorado Department of Revenue.

The vote was as follows:

Aye: Councilmembers Stadler, Nolf, Haynes, Hammock, Warren and Mayor Hargis.

Nay - None

Mayor Harigs declared the motion carried.

**h. DISCUSSION: NAME FOR NEW PARK AT CEDAR STREET AND 4<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE**

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that this park is scheduled to be finished this summer. There was a contest prior with only one response. He is asking how Council would like to proceed with this.

Council decided that they wanted another contest with the elementary school to name the park.

**i. UPDATE: BEECH STREET TRAFFIC**

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that he had staff and Janet from Stolfus engineering to watch the traffic on Beech Street during school hours. No decisions have been made.

Jennifer Woods, Town Planner, reported that one of the pinch points they witness was the driveway in the parking lot of the school. Town staff was stationed at all corners of the school. They observed how the traffic flowed and the various aspects of the traffic flow. There are some options in the memo in the packet, but she reported that the initial steps would to be really work with the school.

Councilmember Stadler reported that she spoke with Principal Dent and he discussed with her that the middle of the parking lot has been designated as parent parking and the school does not have funds to add another exit to the parking lot.

Mayor Hargis reported that the street is too narrow. She reported that the Town is looking at options and discussions to alleviate it. She stated that she would like to have input on what possible solutions should be.

Rick James, 417 Beech Street, reported that he has lived here for 37 years. He chopped 2 trees down to have parking. When it was paved, they took out parking for the sidewalk. They also moved the sidewalks to go around trees and the sidewalk protrudes out into the street. He also reported that student driving trucks are teaching down the street. He also doesn't like the idea of the stop light at the end of Beech Street or the

low-income housing. He also reported that there needs to be another access point off the interstate.

Tami Botelho, 442 Birch Street, asked that the packets be placed in Town Hall again.

Shannon Norgren, 260 Elm Street, reported that this will affect her neighbors. She also is frustrated that the residents don't have alternative parking.

Lisa Buesgens, 105 Main Street, reported that the residents don't have anything positive to say about the Council and they don't want to come in. She also reported that she feels if she comes in to speak out the residents get retaliated against.

A resident on Beech Street expressed his concerns about his children not being able to come visit him because there would be nowhere to park.

Hunter Fobare, Public Works and Utilities Director, reported that the school is not something the Town deals with. The prints were never even seen by Town staff.

#### 4) STAFF REPORTS

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that he issued a staff report in writing and asked if the Council had any questions on it.

Jay Hirokawa, Police Chief, reported that he started on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and has been here for 154 days. He has written 8 new policies, changed personnel and the department is fully staffed. He reported that the traffic stops are up tenfold. About 90% of the individuals being stopped are not from Hudson. The detectives are averaging 5 filings a week. All of the officers now meet POST standards and the department is registered with the state. He has also cancelled over \$70,000 in contracts from previous Chiefs. He reported that by search warrant he has been able to recover a weapon that the Town of Hudson owns. It was recovered in Greeley. He also reported that the Homicide has been solved. He reported that the Hudson Marshal's office was not a registered agency with the state and has since been able to get it registered.

Hunter Fobare, Public Works and Utilities Director, reported that the main focus is taking care of the snow removal. They are updating all the street signs in Town due to federal guidelines. They have installed the signs at Memorial Park and the Public Works facility. He will also be adding an address for the Town properties. They will be crack sealing and sewer jetting.

Guy Patterson, Town Manager, reported that CDOT has placed the ad for the work on the Highway 52/I-76 interchange project.

Charity Campfield, Town Clerk, reported that the audit will be finished the week of March 16, 2020. She also reported that she took Kim Bohrman to a permit tech training on 3/2 and 3/3.

5) **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Albert, 152 Ash Street, reported that he wanted to know how much of the parking will be taken away from him. He reported that he would like to not have PO Boxes anymore either.

Shannon Norgren, 260 Elm Street, reported that she wanted to commend the Chief for what he has done with the Police department.

Lisa Buesgens, 105 Main Street, wanted answers for her questions she asked earlier. She also asked about the Councilmember's brother getting the bid.

Julie Norton, 357 Birch Street, asked about code enforcement. She is concerned about the trash that is being thrown out in the yards. She is also worried about the feral cats.

Hayley, 152 Ash Street, asked if public works could measure where the sidewalks will be, so she knows how much parking she has. She also wondered if traffic is going to be an issue once the sidewalks are put in and people are parking on the streets.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 pm.

TOWN OF HUDSON, COLORADO

  
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Mayor

ATTEST

  
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Town Clerk



