

Minutes of Sweetser Town Council
November 17, 2022

I. The meeting was called to order by Chuck Briede at 7:00 pm; the roll was called as follows:

Roll Call:

Kyle Taylor-Present

Matt Stewart-Absent

Travis LeMaster-Present

Dave Fox-Absent

Chuck Briede-Present

The roll was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

II. **Minutes**

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2022, meeting as written. Kyle Taylor seconded the motion.

Kyle Taylor-Aye

Matt Stewart-Absent

Travis LeMaster-Aye

Dave Fox-Absent

Chuck Briede-Aye

III. **Bills**

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to approve the Bills Docket of November 10, 2022, as submitted. Chuck Briede seconded the motion.

Kyle Taylor-Aye

Matt Stewart-Absent

Travis LeMaster-Aye

Dave Fox-Absent

Chuck Briede-Aye

IV. **Public Forum**

- Khalsa Attinderpal and Gurinder Kaur notified the council that they were purchasing the property at 310 W. Jefferson with the intent to open a liquor store.

V. **Department Reports**

Police Department – Marshal Ryan Hornback was not in attendance

- No report
- There was a discussion of staffing contingencies for when Ryan is away.

Maintenance Department - Patrick Alvord was not in attendance

- The old rotary mower was sold for \$1,500.
- The new salt spreader has been installed and is in service.
- Snowplow has been installed and is ready to go.
- Still waiting on the replacement sensor for the Silver GMC.
- Kyle said Stu Savka of Triad was reviewing the tapes of the ongoing cleaning and camering of the sanitary lines.
- Kyle said there has been no additional movement on the potential Oak Hill project.
- Patrick has been away awaiting the birth of their child.
- There was a discussion of possible replacements for the treatment plant operator position.
- Road salt has been ordered. A makeshift door has been installed over the storage bay to protect the salt.
- Kyle provided an update on the anticipated maintenance on the treatment plant generators.
- Kyle said we are waiting on a second quote for the overhaul of the lift stations.

- Innovative Pipeline Systems is requesting their second draw. There are a couple of side projects that they will quote on: digging up two manholes and some work at the treatment plant. They also asked if they could park their vac truck in the plant storage area. The council agreed to allow it.

Parks Department—President Steve Kelley was in attendance.

- Steve said the gate to the burn pile is being left open, but it doesn't appear there has been any additional unauthorized use of the area.
- The drinking fountain at the shelter house has been drained and insulated. The train lines have been drained and antifreeze has been put in the lines.
- Steve said he has not heard from anyone yet who is interested in taking over the volunteer work the Brinkman's have been performing on the trail flower beds.
- The mowers need to be serviced.
- A tree is leaning on the east shelter house. Steve thinks it is too large for our crews and equipment. Chuck suggested we get a quote from CCI.
- Steve said there is a dead redbud tree on Main Street,

VI. Continuing Business

- It was previously decided the banners will be taken down when the Christmas Lights are installed. It has now been decided that any banners that are not claimed will be reinstalled in the spring.
- Kyle had the town hall roof inspected. There is a cut in the membrane, the chimney area needs attention, and there is other visible damage. We will get a quote for recommended repairs.
- The Operations Manager Position has been posted.
- The 2023 Budget was approved as submitted.
- The new street signs are in and will be installed in the spring.

VII. New Business

- Kyle is working on a draft of a social media policy for the council and town employees.
- Dave Fox resigned from the council effective today, November 17, 2022. Chuck will get with town counsel Michael Hotz to initiate the process for reporting the opening to the county.
- Discussion of the 2023 Salary Ordinance was initiated.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Potter
