

Bluff Town Council
Tuesday, October 23, 2018
Bluff Community Center at 6:00 p.m.
190 N 3rd East Street
P.O. Box 324
Bluff, Utah 84512

Draft Minutes

The council met Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in a public meeting.

Present were: Mayor: Ann Leppanen, Brant Murray, Luanne Hook and Linda Sosa. Jim Sayers excused absence.

The meeting started at 6:01 p.m.

Approval of minutes from October 16, 2018. Leppanen, Murray, Sosa approved, Hook abstained.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Roads and Letter to be Drafted to UDOT (Murray)

Murray summarized an email from Michael Haviken about the Haviken/ Murray/UDOT meeting of several trouble spots. The results:

- UDOT will paint the edge of the road at Navajo Twins Restaurant. The rocks need to be pushed off the asphalt.
- UDOT will install a light at the elementary school. Because the school is changing its location we will wait on this. It may be part of the new school plan.
- The Post Office road will be widened, repaired and get new culverts. The fire trucks and ambulance also use this road.

UDOT is surveying right-of-ways for us and will meet later this week to formalize their partnership with the Council.

Leppanen asked Murray to set up a road ride-along. We will meet at the Community Center Friday the 25th at 3:30 and drive together to observe the condition of roads. We do not have to accept all roads from the County; the purpose of this is to help us decide which roads we might not want to be responsible for.

2. GRAMA Policy (Sosa)

Sosa gave out information packets about GRAMA that included some examples of forms and website information. She will work on a policy with Leppanen and be on the agenda for the November 6th meeting.

3. Treasurer Bond (Murray)

Murray filled out the paperwork and sent it in. He will follow it up if he doesn't hear from them in a week.

4. Resolution for Utah Trust Liability Insurance (Leppanen)

Leppanen received this signed paperwork back so we could approve it by resolution. Murray motioned to enter into this agreement with the Trust. Hook seconded. The vote was unanimous.

5. Kelly Pehrson on 10/30/18 and Work on Interlocal Agreement (Leppanen)

October 30 at 8:30 a.m. will be our next Interlocal Agreement Work Session and we will meet in our office, #1, at the Community Center. Kelly Pehrson will join us at 9:00 to work with us. Leppanen received the cost sheet for snow plowing by the County in Blanding and Monticello and passed it on to the Council. She encouraged the Council to bring questions

and issues, for example a road that the County never completed the work on and weed spray along roads. We will need to be specific and detailed in our final draft.

6. Michael Hansen, Rural Consultant, on 10/30/18 (Leppanen)
Hansen will attend our October 30 meeting from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. to discuss how Bluff fits into the County General Plan. We will have a shortened Council meeting at 7:00.
7. Change in public meeting date for budget (Leppanen)
The public meeting for the proposed 2019 budget will be Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 5 p.m. with the regular Council meeting at 6:00.

NEW BUSINESS

1. TRT Money from San Juan County and 1% Municipal TRT (Leppanen/Hook)
TRT tax is collected by the State and then given back to the County. There are rules as to how it can be used but the County decides how it is distributed. We do not understand how the 1% match with the County works and will ask Pehrson about it.
2. Resort Tax (Murray)
Murray will do a white paper about some of the taxes available to us including the Resort Tax. Leppanen encouraged him to get basic information that we can break down.
3. Sales Tax Application (Sosa)
Sosa explained some points on her sales tax handout. The 1% local option is being collected by the State and we can decide if it is beneficial to take it or leave it with the County.
4. Wish List for the Town Council (Leppanen)
Leppanen reminded the council that Sandy Mailliard was willing to help us with a wish list. Leppanen suggested a computer, printer, phone, and file cabinet. Sosa will talk to Jeremy Redd about what computer and software they use in Blanding. Dan Meyers was suggested as a resource. Leppanen will compile a list for Mailliard and Murray will add it to his October Newsletter.
5. CIB Letter for Funding (Leppanen)
After discussion it was decided that we need to know more about the CIB. Michael Bryant is willing to Skype with us in November to answer our questions. We want to do a Work Session in December to decide what we want and prepare to submit it to the CIB meeting March 1, 2019. Leppanen will get a copy of the current list and get it to the rest of the Council.
6. Change in meeting time for 10/30/18 regular meeting (Sosa)
There will be no change in the time of the 10/30/2018 meeting.

OTHER

Hook reported the only change in the Senior Center when the Mexican Water Chapter opens would be the County will not bus people from the reservation to Bluff.

Murray stated the need to know more about the Municipal Building Authority.

Sosa gave Leppanen a bill from the San Juan Record. Leppanen will let them know that we will pay it after the State accepts our budget.

Sosa gave the Council Members mail from the Lyman Family Farm. Leppanen will put them on the agenda as a closed meeting next week after we have time to read and think about their information.

Murray motioned to adjourn and Hook seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Adjourned 7:20

Linda Sosa Recording Officer