

Bluff Town Council Meeting
October 8, 2019
Bluff Community Center at 6:00 p.m.
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Regular meetings are held every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Bluff Community Center. Requests to be on the agenda may be submitted to Ann Leppanen (ann@townofbluff.org) in writing at least 4 days before the meeting. Agendas and minutes are posted at: townofbluff.org and audio, in addition, at the Utah Public Notice Website

Minutes

The meeting started at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call Mayor Ann K. Leppanen, Luanne Hook, Jim Sayers, Linda Sosa, Brant Murray excused absence

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from October 1, 2019

Sayers motioned to approve the minutes with a modification and an addition,

Hook seconded, and Leppanen, Hook, and Sayers voted in favor; Sosa abstained.

Approval of Joint Meeting between the Town Council and Planning and Zoning on September 30, 2019

Sayers motioned to approve the minutes with two modifications, Hook seconded, and Leppanen, Hook, and Sayers voted in favor; Sosa abstained.

Public Comment – None

Unfinished Business

1. Update on Land Use Agreement and Interlocal Agreement (Leppanen)

Leppanen will meet Friday, possibly on the phone, with Chris McAnany and Mack MacDonald about the Interlocal Agreement and permitting process. Another permit has come in and we need to firm up the process with the County.

2. Update on Letter to San Juan County School Board (Sayers)

Sayers sent his letter to the School District this morning. He requested special consideration as we don't have the flexibility or options a private buyer would have. He mentioned fairness; the town has just had large property tax increases and our desire to use the building for public services. Kyle Hostler responded to his letter by requesting a fair offer on the building before the November School Board meeting, which will be in Bluff, to help with their consideration process. Leppanen will put it on our agenda. She will be in SLC and can talk to Marcus Keller at Zions Bank if he is available. We can also set up a Skype conference. Sayers will look into CIB funding.

3. Discussion and Approval of Expenditures by the Manager for Bluff Community Center (Leppanen)

Leppanen reported that Carol Shook, manager, spent \$313.50 on expenditures, including soap and towel dispensers for the restrooms, hand soap, two kitchen stools, a boot scraper, and gaskets for the toilets. Also printing 20 pages at .20 a page. We will find a different

process for Shook to be able to make copies. Leppanen explained that the BSA should pay for the expenditures but we will. Sayers motioned that the Council pay the bill since the CC is now in our possession, Hook seconded and Leppanen, Hook, Sosa, and Sayers voted in favor. Sayers reminded the Council the importance on creating an inventory of possessions.

4. Report on Class C Road Work (Haviken)

Hook reported that Haviken and the County crew had gotten a great deal of work done. Sosa reported that Monday they worked on the roadway at Sand Island, the CC entrance, and some town roads. The County will bill us. Haviken is working with UDOT on the three intersections they will fix and what the cost would be if we wanted a fourth done.

5. Report on Planning and Zoning Public Hearing to be Held on October 14, 2019

P&Z had to cancel the October 10th hearing they had planned and move it to the 14th because the San Juan Record published the wrong date. Then they published the hearing on the 10th and 14th. The Dark Skies hearing will be held at the CC on the 14th at 7:00 p.m. Sosa will look into modifying their bill.

New Business

6. Discussion on Snow Plowing and Tree Trimming as Requested by San Juan County Roads Department (Leppanen)

Ben Musselman talked with Leppanen about snow plowing and trimming trees to make it easier. The only roads that might need snow plowing are two short pieces on the Bench, Sand Island, and the airport. None of them have trees. Leppanen will add this issue to our work session so we can include it in the Interlocal Agreement if we wish.

7. Report on NIMS Training and the San Juan County Commissioner Meeting on October 1, 2019 (Leppanen/Sayers)

Sayers and Leppanen attended this National Incident Management Training. Sayers reported on the chain of command; if we have an emergency out of the scope of what we can handle we call the County (911) and they call the State if it is more than what they can handle. Leppanen talked with Anthony Lott who would like to get the Council involved in incident training with Tammy Gallegos. Leppanen will get a copy of the power point from their training for the Council to watch. The senior officer (mayor) does a declaration of emergency and calls the County. If we do not follow the guidelines we could lose FEMA funding. We will look into further emergency or incident training.

8. Update on Fee Schedule and Ordinance, Business Applications and License, Building Permit Application and License (All)

This will be all day and we start at 8:30 a.m. at the CC.

9. Discussion about Public Health Liaison and Water Conservancy Board (Leppanen)

Leppanen will ask Lois Young, County Health Dept., Marx Powell, County Water Conservancy, and members of the disbanded park/kitchen volunteers to give us an update at a meeting or send a written report. Leppanen will check with Tina or Ceil.

10. Application to Appropriate by John and Katherine Hoffpaur through the Utah Division of Water Rights (All)

After discussion it was decided that the appropriate next step for the Hoffpauirs was to contact the State about getting their name on their well.

11. Utah Treasurer Deposit and Investment Report (Leppanen) Finances (Sosa)

The D & I Report is due in December; the Transparency Report is due this month. Sosa presented the September bank reconciliation and current bills. Sayers motioned to pay:

ULGT – \$850

Chris McAnany - \$2,775.00

Visa -\$288 for printing

The San Juan Record - \$38.00,

Hook seconded and Leppanen, Hook, Sayers, and Sosa voted in favor.

12. Community Development Block Grant Workshop Scheduled for October 29, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in Moab (Leppanen)

Sayers will attend this training so the Town can be eligible of CDBG if we chose to pursue a grant. The person who submits the grant becomes the project manager and must go to a training in SLC. Michael Bryant will be in town tomorrow and can do a dinner meeting. He will interview Leppanen as part of SEULAG's 50th anniversary celebration.

13. Town Hall Scheduled for October 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. on Changing the Form of San Juan County's Government (Leppanen)

If this passes in the election a nonelected Bluff citizen can be on this study group.

14. Public Service Announcement for Cardboard Recycling (Leppanen)

Vance Nielson at K & C asked the Council to remind people that the Recycle Trailer is just for flattened cardboard. People are putting different kinds of garbage in it. If this continues it may not be available to the town, Leppanen will ask Denny to create a sign specifying what can go in.

No garbage, Styrofoam, or any kind of trash, only flattened cardboard.

Other – None

Public Comment - None

Adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Linda Sosa Recording Officer