

Bluff Town Council Work Session
January 30, 2020
Bluff Community Center at 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
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Regular meetings are held the first three Tuesdays of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Bluff Community Center. Requests to be on the agenda may be submitted in writing to Ann Leppanen (ann@townofbluff.org) at least 4 days before the meeting. Agendas and minutes are posted at:

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Minutes

The meeting started at 3:07 p.m.

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

1. Review of Town of Bluff Volunteer Waiver and Release Form and Volunteer Time Sheet

Leppanen sent the volunteer forms to Council members and Chris McAnany, who has not yet responded. Kirsten Ewing is attending the Council's next meeting to volunteer to apply Staticide on the floor of the CC and the council wants to have the paperwork ready for her. The Council agreed to vote on the forms together instead of separately.

2. Review of Draft Accounting Policies and Procedures

Leppanen and Sosa had a phone meeting with David Everitt. He agreed to help with writing accounting policy and procedures and will use information we provide and State accounting policy.

3. Discussion of Meeting on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. with Bureau of Land Management on Oil and Gas Leasing on the Bluff Bench

The meeting was very informative. February 6th is the deadline for comment to be received at the BLM office. Leppanen explained we have three options:

1. the plan is wonderful and we accept it,
2. the plan is terrible and we do not accept it,
3. We would have preferred to not have oil-drilling go through our aquifer but there are things we would like to see. Murray volunteered to write a draft letter for the Council and will get it to Council members this weekend so it can be finalized at Tuesday's meeting.

4. Discussion of Policy for Purchase of 6 Months of Supplies

Sosa compiled a price list based on supplies submitted by Carol Shook and Pat Bellson. Murray stated they have a good system going and the Council should get them the products they have been using. Sosa will check with them about the use of Pinesol in the septic system. This will be voted on at the Tuesday meeting.

5. Discussion on Alcohol Use on the Town of Bluff Property

Murray suggested that the Town not allow alcohol on municipal properties. Hook said Sayers contacted our insurance carrier who did not recommend alcohol use on the Town properties.

6. Employment Contract Approva

Leppanen stated the contracts for cleaning and maintenance are similar to the BSA contracts; the main difference is a cap on monthly pay. Events will be additional. The manager contract does not include marketing. Leppanen will talk to Martha Rice, who is the manager's back up. The transcription position could be a contractor or employee. Chris McAnany will be in Bluff for a training on the 12th and will be available for the Council's questions.

7. Other

Leppanen received voice mail about Glenn Gurney's airport concerns. She responded with an email thanking him for his concern but explaining he needed to get on our agenda so he could direct his concerns to the Council. Leppanen and Jim Hook will do a site visit tomorrow.

Hook talked with a surveyor who explained work would be starting on the federal road project from Bluff to Montezuma Creek, Montezuma Creek to Aneth, and Montezuma Creek to the base of White Mesa.

Leppanen emailed Kyle Hostler to inquire about proposed speed limits at the new school. She will again try to get information about the UDOT speed study since tourist season is coming.

Murray motioned to adjourn, Hook seconded and Leppanen, Hook, Sosa, and Murray voted in favor.

Adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Linda Sosa Recording Officer