

Bluff Town Council Special Meeting Minutes

March 30, 2023

Bluff Community Center at 5:00 p.m.

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This meeting was held electronically.

The meeting started at 5:02 p.m.

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

Erin Nelson, Town Manager

**1. Discussion and Vote on Glen Gurney Request to Extend Time Needed to Remove His Hanger.**

Leppanen reported that on March 24<sup>th</sup> Chris McAnany talked to Craig Halls about the removal of the abandoned hanger at the airport by Glen Gurney because of the March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Halls requested an extension for Gurney who is getting a crane and needs solid ground at the airport. Leppanen just checked the ground and noted most of it is paved and it is solid. Murray motioned to give 30 days more, Sayers seconded and Murray, Hook, Sayers, and Sosa voted in favor, Leppanen opposed. McAnany will write a letter to Halls about abandoned property and send the Council a walk through of the process of dealing with abandoned property.

**2. Discussion and Vote on Asbestos Testing at CCC for Grant.**

Nelson is working on the EPA grant and brought up the idea of testing and including that and possible mitigation in the grant. Although testing is required of schools annually the Council only has testing results from 1989 to 2005. The testing may have been inadequate. Nelson has been doing research and the possible cost is around \$7,000. There was concern that the results of testing might not be available in time to be included in the grant. Nelson explained she is including line items for testing and mitigation in the grant. Leppanen explained by including those possibilities in the grant it

gives us the option of getting mitigation done, if needed, before construction of fire suppression. Tom Corrao let Leppanen know the ceiling tile in the school is original. Murray motioned to move forward and do the testing for asbestos, Sayers seconded and Leppanen, Murray, Hook, Sosa and Sayers voted in favor.

### **3. Discussion and Vote on Temporary Emergency Flooding Plan for County.**

The Governor requested emergency flood plans and Tammy Gallegos asked towns to create and send her their plans. Fire Chief Lott has created a detailed plan for the Town showing the steps the Fire Department will take including monitoring situations and actions taken. Leppanen thanked him for the well-thought-out plan. Murray motioned to approve the plan and send it to the State, Sayers seconded and Leppanen, Sosa, Hook, Murray and Sayers voted in favor.

### **4. Discussion of Blanding Bears Ears Marathon.**

Leppanen explained this marathon is a qualifier for the Boston and New York marathons and could attract a lot of people, it happens in October two weeks after the eclipse and one week after the Art Festival and the Manley Marathon also happens in October/November. It would end at the Fort, require volunteers, and they requested potholes be filled in between Twin Rocks and the Fort. David Anderson, of Blanding, suggested collaboration with Bluff. Leppanen will put this on the April 4<sup>th</sup> agenda and asked the Council to bring ideas.

Murray motioned to adjourn at 5:38 p.m., Sayers seconded and Leppanen, Murray, Sayers, Sosa and Hook voted in favor.

Linda Sosa Recording Officer

This meeting took place electronically in order to follow the social distancing guidelines given by state and local authorities. The public was able to connect and participate electronically.

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