

Bluff Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2024

Bluff Community Center at 3:30 p.m.

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Regular meetings are held the first three Tuesdays of every month at 4:00 p.m. 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: townofbluff.org and audio, in addition, at the Utah Public Notice Website.

This meeting was held virtually and in public

The meeting started at 3:35 p.m.

Roll Call Mayor Ann K. Leppanen, Luanne Hook, Jennifer Davila, Linda Sosa, Britt Hornsby
Erin Nelson Town Manager

Public Comment - None

Unfinished Business

1. Jocelyn Meyer's Report on the Playground Committee Status and Requests

Jocelyn Meyer presented updates at today's Design Review Committee, unfortunately there was no representation from Utah Dine Bikeyah. Leppanen will try to meet with Janet Slowman-Chee and Davis Filfred next week but if they don't meet before next Tuesday's meeting and choose a location, either the CCC or Community Center, the Council will vote. Leppanen reported the committee needs a location for the playground in order to apply for grants and Meyers asked for 10% in matching funds. A reason for upgrading the Community Center was access to groups renting and the CCC has more visibility. This could go into Capital Projects and be a future project.

2. Discussion and Vote on Certified Tax Rate (All)

Davila motioned to accept the property tax rate of .000649 for the coming year, Hornsby seconded and Leppanen, Sosa, Hook, Hornsby and Davila voted in favor. The amount generated is \$33,068.00, no tax increase. Calculation is done by the State Tax Commission. Leppanen will sign it and send it to the County and then it goes to the State.

3. Discussion and Vote on Salary Raise for Bluff Town Manager (All)

Hornsby motioned to increase Nelson's salary from \$60,000 to \$70,000, effective July 1st, Davila seconded and Leppanen, Davila, Hook, Sosa and Hornsby voted in favor.

4. Discussion and Vote on Amended FY 2024 Budget (Nelson)

Nelson explained our accountant recommended a larger buffer in the fund balance for unexpected occurrences, increasing it to \$73,000. Hook motioned to increase the fund balance and accept the Amended FY 2024 Budget general fund and special revenue fund, Hornsby seconded and Leppanen, Sosa, Hook, Davila, and Hornby voted in favor.

5. Discussion and Vote on FY 2025 Budget (Nelson)

The FY 2025 Budget will also include the \$73,000, which is a surplus. Hook motioned to adopt the FY 2024 budget as amended, Hornsby seconded and Leppanen, Sosa, Davila, Hornsby and Hook voted in favor.

New Business

6. Discussion on Public Hearing on Proposed County Zoning Ordinances and Map on June 27th (All)

Leppanen encouraged the Council, Planning and Zoning and other residents to attend this meeting in Monticello. Melissa Rigg, our County representative, sent information about the ordinance to residents several days ago. Although it is about unincorporated areas Leppanen reminded that if the litigation with Acton/SITLA fails a 9,500-acre piece of land on the Bluff Bench will become unincorporated and we need to give opinions about potential usage now.

7. Other

Sosa declared the Monday trash pick-up was very successful and she thanked the Fort for organizing it and residents for helping. About 25 people participated.

At 4:15 p.m. Hornsby motioned to close the meeting, Davila seconded and Leppanen, Sosa, Davila, Hook and Hornsby voted in favor.

Linda Sosa Recording Officer

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