

HATCH TOWN BOARD MEETING

February 16, 2022

Town Board: Mayor Jim Kabonic, Kevin Eldredge, Melissa Poulsen, Kurt Sawyer & Jon Spendlove

Staff: Tyler Mendenhall & Jacie Torgersen. Kerry Barney came at 7:30pm.

Public: Dave Barnhurst, Kris Mendenhall & Russ Riggs. Lincoln Poulsen came at 7:20pm.

1. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting began at 7pm with Mayor Kabonic welcoming everyone to the meeting. Councilor Poulsen offered the opening prayer and Mayor Kabonic led those present in the pledge.

2. Approval of January 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Councilor Poulsen motioned to approve the minutes and Councilor Eldredge 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

3. Review January Invoices, checks & financial report

Councilor Sawyer motioned to approve the expenses and Councilor Poulsen 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

4. Public Hearings

5. Petitions, Remonstrations and Communications

5.1 Town Council Responsibilities

Jacie Torgersen suggested that Councilor Eldredge and Councilor Spendlove switch responsibilities since Jon Spendlove is going to be the new fire chief but the council did not feel it was necessary. Mayor Kabonic will be over the cemetery and on the board along with over the planning & zoning. Councilor Poulsen will be over parks, Councilor Eldredge over water, Councilor Spendlove over fire and Councilor Sawyer over roads and grants.

5.2 Distribution of Hatch Stimulus Money

The Town of Hatch has \$16,806 in stimulus money to spend. The council would like to use the money for a fence around well #4 and new turnouts for the fire department. They do have one bid for the fence, they would like to get more bids for that if possible. Councilor Sawyer motioned to spend \$8,000 on the fence and \$8,000 on turnouts for the fire department. Councilor Spendlove 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

6. Ordinances

7. Report of Officers – boards – committees

7.1 Water Department – Water Usage

41,000 gallons of water has been used from well #4 for January 2022. There have been several leaks and breaks this past month. There has been a new meter installed at the McAllister's after the break. Mayor Kabonic will call and let them know. The town currently has 5 new meters on hand. The town is trying to contact Paunsaugunt Cliffs to see if they

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can purchase a 2-inch collar from them for the upgrade in a water connection for Levi Degarmo's place.

The probe in well #5 is no good and the SCADA system is not working for that well. The probe should still be under warranty, so they are trying to find that out. Well #5 is still pumping and operable at this time though. The water test will be taken on Friday. There was a problem with the test in January and the town had to do four other tests, but they all came back fine. Mr. Mendenhall will try to take samples in different sections of town each month. David Barnhurst said that the town is 2 quarters behind on water samples for well #5 for the violitol organize sampling of talulite. The town is in violation for the VOC sampling because they were not done as needed. He will send the emails that he received to Mr. Mendenhall so he can contact Chemtech Ford and get some bottles to send in the samples.

There was a leak at Heather Scholz's house, Mayor Kabonic thanked everyone for coming out to help fix that. Riverside was also having trouble getting water, but that has been fixed now. There is one other meter that broke(Wood's) and is currently shut off at this time.

7.1.a Establish possible Stand-by fee

Jacie Torgersen had an example of Paunsaugunt Cliff's stand by fee document for the council to review. They will look at it and would like to discuss it at the next meeting. A small discussion did take place on why the town would need a standby fee.

7.2 Fire Department-

7.2.a Appointment of Fire Chief

Councilor Sawyer motioned to appointed Jon Spendlove as the new fire chief and Mayor Kabonic 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous. There is a county fire meeting in Tropic on March 7th that Councilor Spendlove will need to attend, and he will need to schedule monthly fire meetings at the fire station. Mayor Kabonic suggested that he reach out to retired fire fighters for help. Dave Dodds in Panguitch has also said he would help Hatch in trying to improve their ISO rating. Dave Barnhurst stated that the fire meetings he has attended in the past were a waste of time so he hopes that in the future they can be beneficial in training and helping fire department members become familiar with the equipment.

7.3 Road Department-

The sink hole out to Proctor is sinking again and will need to be fixed. The town needs to get a culvert near Jim Kabonic's and put it in the road to help with drainage.

7.4 Parks & Recreation-

7.5 Grants-

The town can make a decision on what to apply for grants after they are able to review the water study by Mr. Richard White.

7.6 Planning & Zoning Commission

7.6.a Town Zoning Map

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A meeting was held last week to go over the zoning map. Kerry Barney and Jacie Torgersen are working on resolving a couple issues that were brought up. A public hearing will be held on March 9th. All property owners will be notified with a letter, and it will also be posted online along with the paper notices around town.

7.6.b Prestige Estates Subdivision Amendment

The town is waiting for the subdivision amendment fee to be paid before it can be approved.

7.6.c Appointment of planning & zoning members

Names suggested for planning & zoning members were Jaycen Walter, Cassi Thieme and Dennis Dalton.

7.7 Cemetery

7.7.a Appoint two new members

Names suggested for the cemetery board were Erin Walter, Callie Spendlove or the Garn's.

Mayor Kabonic would like to make sure the town adds the notifying requirement of property owners within 500 feet of a zone change being sent a letter. He feels that people have a right to know and would like to keep the public informed. Mr. Kaden Figgins feels that is more of a policy, but Mayor Kabonic would like to have it added to the zoning ordinance. Mayor Kabonic motioned to add that property owners in a 500 foot radius of the proposed property change must be notified 2 weeks prior to the public hearing

8. Public Input

9. Unfinished or New Business

Duard Riggs has talked to both he Mayor and Jacie Torgersen about having a music night once a twice a month for community members to come out and enjoy and he would like to use the community center to have it. Reservations will take precedence but the council thought using the community center for the music night will be fine.

The next meeting will be pushed back a week to March 23rd so the Mayor can hopefully be recovered from his surgery by then.

10. Adjournment

Councilor Eldredge motioned to adjourn and Councilor Poulsen 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8pm.

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