

HATCH TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 25, 2022

Town Council: Mayor Jim Kabonic, Kevin Eldredge, Melissa Poulsen, Jon Spendlove and Kurt Sawyer

Staff: Jacie Torgersen & Tyler Mendenhall

Public: Chuck McEwan, Tammy Corwin, Eugene & Julie Spendlove, Melissa Durrett & Russ Riggs.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Kabonic called the meeting to order and led those present in the pledge and offered the opening prayer.

2. Approval of April 20, 2022 Previous Minutes

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

3. Review April Invoices, checks & financial report

Councilor Sawyer motioned to approve the expenditures and Councilor Spendlove 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

There was an extra invoice for Peterson Plumbing for a 2-inch water connection, meter hook up at Curtis Bandley's and to build up an inventory for some of the town's supplies. Mayor Kabonic reminded Councilor Eldredge that he needs to get approval from the council for anything over \$500. Councilor Eldredge doesn't want to keep people waiting and wants to have items in stock and he stated that he did send out a text asking for their approval.

4. Public Hearings

5. Petitions, Remonstrations and Communications

5.1 Garfield County Junior Livestock Show Donation

Councilor Sawyer motioned to donate \$250 to the Livestock Show for ½ page ad for the Town of Hatch and Councilor Eldredge 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

5.2 Town Clean Up – Dates and Projects

Town clean-up will be on the 11th starting at 8am and ending with lunch at noon. Councilor Sawyer will get the dirt and flowers for the pots along main street. Mayor Kabonic will get the posts and cement to do the fence at the cemetery. Jacie Torgersen will get bags from UDOT for picking up trash. Councilor Poulsen will get the items for lunch and make signs to advertise it.

5.3 Replacement of culvert on Proctor Canyon Road

Russ Riggs was at the meeting representing the Hatch Irrigation Company. There is a problem with the culvert that runs under the road near well #5 from Gordon Hilton's to Mike Heap's for the irrigation ditch. It was clogged earlier in the spring. The culvert is old

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and it is too long. Gordon Hilton added to the culvert on one side and the town added to the culvert on the other side when they put the well there. On the Proctor Canyon Road there is approximately a 66 foot right of way where the original culvert was. The culvert is now over 100+ feet long. The original culvert is caving in and collapsing. Mr. Riggs feel that the town has 3 options:

- *Leave the culvert
- *Fix the culvert
- *Replace the culvert

When the culvert was plugged this spring, they had to shut the water off to Mike Heap until it could be repaired. David Barnhurst had to crawl through and get the brush out that was plugging it up. It is a 24-inch culvert. The culvert is at a different angle and when Gordon Hilton added on it made an S curve and he added black poly culvert. The town added 60 feet on the north end when they added the well so there are multiple splices in the culvert with galvanized and poly both. It needs to be decided whose responsibility the culvert is. Mr. Riggs said if it was left to the irrigation company, they would just go back to a 66-foot culvert and have a ditch on either side of the road. He said the splices are coming in at a wrong angle on both ends but it would be possible to straighten it if it were replaced. The black poly is \$1,000 per length right now and the galvanized is \$47 a running foot. The question was raised multiple times about whose responsibility, is it? Irrigation Company? Town? Mike Heap? Gordon Hilton? Councilor Sawyer said when the county deeded that section of the road over to the town, they took responsibility for it. Mayor Kabonic would like to get a cost analysis of what it would cost to replace it including labor. It was discussed using the black poly because it is smooth inside and there is less resistance and the galvanized is not being made as strong as it once was. Mr. Riggs feels that the town is responsible for all of it except Mr. Hilton's 60 feet. Once there is a bid on the cost it will be discussed again and see if the irrigation company and town can make a joint effort and get it repaired. It was decided that the spring would be the best time to do it when there would be less traffic on the road and before the water is in the ditch.

5.4 Use of bathrooms and service project for YW group

Dale Porter has a Young Women's group coming to stay at his house for girl's camp. The dates are June 21st-25th. They would like to use the bathrooms at the community center in the morning and evening. The council decided that they could be given a key to get in each morning and night as needed. They would also like to do a service project for the town. The council would like to have them clean up the perimeter of the cemetery.

5.5 Review Hatch Town Budget

The council reviewed the budget line by line and amended the amounts for this year and set the amounts for the 2023 budget.

6. Ordinances

7. Report of Officers – boards – committees

7.1 Water Department – Water Usage

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Water usage for March/April from well #4/#5 is 895,000. There was a question brought up about who is using the meter at the fire hydrant near Russ Riggs. The town would like the meter removed until they know who is using it so they can be billed for the water.

7.1.a Computer for Water Department/SCADA System – Bid

Jacie Torgersen presented a bid from Mt. West Computers for the water department. Councilor Eldredge had some information on getting a new system instead of the SCADA System on the computer to track the water system. Mayor Kabonic would like to have a bid in writing. Councilor Eldredge will work on that for next time.

7.1.b Rate for Water Connection

The prices for brass have gone up so the town is losing money on water connections right now. The invoice needs to be looked at and the cost adjusted. The connection fee is just for parts only. Councilor Sawyer would like to charge an impact fee so the town could start saving money for a new water tank. He thinks it would be a good idea to have a water study done to see what the town could charge for impact fees and if the town could get a grant from the State to help pay for it. He would also like to have the fire hydrants checked out, the number and the pressure. Jacie Torgersen will contact Richard White to see if this is something that he could do.

7.2 Fire Department-

Councilor Spendlove has someone coming Friday to take measurements for 4 new sets of turnouts which will be approximately \$8,000. The Panguitch Lake Fire Department is also giving the town some old ones of various sizes. Councilor Eldredge requested that the fire department flush and grease the fire hydrants at the next meeting. Chuck McEwan also volunteered to help with maintenance on the town's snow plow truck.

7.3 Road Department-

7.4 Parks & Recreation-

7.5 Grants-

7.6 Planning & Zoning Commission

7.6.a Building Project Approval Form Change

There will need to be a public hearing held for these changes to be made so it will be on the next planning & zoning agenda.

7.6.b Chuck McEwan Building Project Approval

Chuck McEwan would like to add an additional building on his property. This would be a two-story building. There would be a 1250 square foot rental and a 480 square foot rental. These would be used for short term rentals. There would be a 16x30 garage next to one of the rentals. He would need to upgrade to a commercial water connection or get another one. The planning & zoning commission gave approval for this project at their last meeting.

Mayor Kabonic has been going through the town's ordinances and as it stands right now in the residential zone only a single-family dwelling is allowed. The town would need to have multi-family dwelling listed as a permitted use in the residential zone for this to be allowed.

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Mayor Kabonic does not want to have a law suit and wants everything to be done the right way. Jacie Torgersen will talk to Kaden Figgins on Friday to see what needs to be done to change the ordinance. There is a certain time period that it has to be posted before the meeting can be held. She will schedule as soon as possible for a meeting with the planning & zoning commission and also with the town council.

7.6.c Spendlove Conditional Use Permit

The planning & zoning commission recommended approval of the Eugene & Julie Spendlove's Conditional Use Permit. Councilor Sawyer motioned to approve the permit for a 2-unit vacation rental and Councilor Eldredge 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

7.7 Cemetery

8. Public Input

Charles Yanason is new to the area and came to introduce himself and would like to help out in the community. He is bartending for the Outlaw Saloon.

Melissa Mack asked permission to the town to pull an 18-wheeler trailer onto town property if she has problems with her family. The town council did not feel that they could give permission for her to do that. It was suggested that she contact a private individual to see if it could be pulled on their property.

9. Unfinished or New Business

The next meeting will be held on June 15th.

10. Adjournment

Councilor Sawyer motioned to adjourn and Councilor Spendlove 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.