

Thayne Town Council Meeting
September 16, 2020

FINAL

Council in attendance: Mayor Simpson, Councilman Wicks, Councilman Heward, Councilman Woolley and Clerk Hillstead

Excused: Councilman Schwab

Welcome: Mayor Devin Simpson

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Simpson

Approval of August 19, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes and the Adoption of September 16, 2020 Agenda with adjustments.

Motion- Councilman Woolley
Seconded- Councilman Heward
Opposed-Councilman Wicks
Motion Carried

Public Comments

None were given

Ordinance 356 – Merica/Stoker zoning change from AR-1 to AR-2

Mayor Simpson asked for any questions from the Town Council regarding the zoning change and asked for a motion to pass Ordinance 356 on first reading

Motion to approve Ordinance 356 on second reading

Motion- Councilman Woolley
Seconded- Councilman Heward
Motion Carried

Sunrise Engineering

TAP Projects

- Robert presented the bid results for the Sidewalk Project and the Lighting Project and stated that the Town of Thayne has received the Notice of Award from WYDOT and can officially award the project to the lowest bidder.

Motion to award the Sidewalk and Lighting Projects to DNS Excavation for the total of \$178,383

Motion- Councilman Woolley
Seconded- Councilman Heward
Opposed-Councilman Wicks
Motion Carried

Community Center Parking Lot Improvement Project

- Robert presented the bid results for the Community Center Parking Lot Improvements Project.

Motion to award the Community Center Parking Lot Improvements Project to Avail Valley Construction for the total of \$223,223.

Motion- Councilman Heward
Seconded- Councilman Woolley
Opposed-Councilman Wicks
Motion Carried

Meadows Booster Pump Project

- Robert reported to the Town Council that the funding application is complete and was sent in but Resolution 2020-09-16 authorizing the submission of the application needed to be passed.

Motion to pass Resolution 2020-09-16 authorizing the submission of the funding application for the Meadows Booster Pump Project.

Motion- Councilman Heward
Seconded- Councilman Woolley
Opposed-Councilman Wicks
Motion Carried

Bart Merritt

Bart approached the Town Council stating that he is interested in purchasing lot 3 of the Thayne Business Ready lots and that he would like to build a new parts store on the lot. Bart mentioned that he is still trying to get funding finalized and he understands that he needs to meet with Silver Star for their approval of the exterior design of the building. Bart offered \$200,000 for lot 3 and stated that he has already put down \$500. Mayor Simpson added that Kevin Voyles is currently drawing up the purchase agreement and the Town Council will cast a vote at the next meeting.

Laura Faye Jensen

Laura Faye was in attendance to ask the Town Council for approval for a client of hers who is interested in purchasing one of the Merica lots on Franklin Ave. Jensen stated the her client would like permission to park a camping trailer on the property and live in it temporarily when their home is being built. Laura Faye mentioned that the trailer will not be occupied during the winter months. The Town Council agreed that they would be in favor of this request for a variance once it is submitted along with the building permit.

Mayor Simpson asked to move the second reading of Ordinance 356-Rezoning Merica/Stoker Subdivisions from AR-1 to AR-2. Simpson asked the Town Council and those in attendance for any questions comments or concerns with the rezoning. None were given.

Motion to approve Ordinance 356 on second reading

Motion- Councilman Wicks
Seconded- Councilman Heward
Motion Carried

Trey and Sheridan Andrews Building Permit

Mayor Simpson asked the Town Council if everyone had a chance to look over the building permit application along with the water and sewer applications and if there were any questions or comments.

Motion to approve the building permit application submitted by Trey Andrews

Motion- Councilman Woolley

Seconded- Councilman Heward

Motion Carried

Councilman Heward

- Water Report
 - Mayor Simpson stated that there has been some work done on the Town's scada system adding in the Meadows Pump House and there was some glitches found. Cliff is getting quotes on upgrading the system.
- Parks and Rec Report
 - Still not sure if the volleyball program will take place. Basketball signups will begin soon.
- Community Center Report
 - Currently getting bids for new flooring. Had some issues with the dishwasher in LUCDA.
 - Mayor Simpson asked about procedures for renting the Community Center. Councilman Heward stated that the Center is available to rent and each renter is responsible for following all CDC guidelines for their event.

Councilman Wicks

- EMS Report
 - No Report.
- Fire Department Report
 - No report from Councilman Wicks
 - Mayor Simpson mentioned to the Town Council that the district is on the ballot for November and that he had met with the Fire Department officers along with Mayor Buyers from Star Valley Ranch and Kevin Voyles. The Fire Department have agreed that if the district passes, they will contract with the Town of Thayne.

Councilman Woolley

- Streets Report
 - Councilman Woolley stated that the chip and seal is complete and HK did a great job. Woolley asked the Council to consider giving the Town's winter help a \$1.00 per hour raise. This will be discussed at a later time.

Municipal Judge Larry Lawton

- Judge Lawton gave a monthly report to the Thayne Town Council including that the Supreme Court will extend the orders pertaining to court procedures. Lawton also asked for the opinion of the Town Council on hiring a prosecuting attorney if the need arises.

The Council was in agreeance that hiring a prosecuting attorney is not a good use of Town resources.

Mayor Simpson

- Town Updates
 - Mayor Simpson proposed Ordinance 357 to the Council which would adopt a bonding policy. Simpson asked for comments.

Motion to approve Ordinance 357-Town of Thayne Bond Policy on first reading

Motion- Councilman Heward

Seconded- Councilman Wicks

Motion Carried

- The Star Valley Arts Council has asked the Town of Thayne for a financial donation. The Thayne Town Council decided not to give a financial donation this year; Thayne already donations several other things to the Arts Council yearly.
- Mayor Simpson stated that the Town of Thayne has received bids for the canal electrical from Ridgeline Electrical and Rydalch Electric. Councilman Wicks commented that the two companies are bidding on different jobs; they should be given a scope of work and then bid. Mayor Simpson followed up stating that the project doesn't have to be bid out to begin with. Mayor Simpson asked for a motion to accept a bid.

Motion to accept the bid from Ridgeline Electrical for the canal outlets for the price of \$5,000.00

Motion- Councilman Heward

Seconded- Councilman Woolley

Opposed – Councilman Wicks

Motion Carried

- Simpson updated the Council on the parks water system stating that he is working with Silver Creek Design on three separate systems.
- Dad's Bar and Steakhouse submitted an application to Lincoln County for a catering permit and need the Town's approval to use the liquor license.

Motion to allow Dad's Bar and Steakhouse to cater event in the County with their liquor license

Motion- Councilman Woolley

Seconded- Councilman Wicks

Motion Carried

- Mayor Simpson asked if the Town would like to leave or withdraw the funds from Lower Valley Energy Patronage Capital Allocation, total would be \$776.75

Motion to leave funds in LVE Patronage Capital Allocation

Motion- Councilman Heward

Seconded- Councilman Woolley

Motion Carried

- Lainhart property on Roberts Street is currently being subdivided, half of the property in the Town of Thayne and half in the county. The Town Council stated that they would like to annex in the other portion of the property that way in the future building would just involve the Town of Thayne and not the County.
- Mayor Simpson presented a basic health and safety program policy to the Town Council to review. Simpson stated that he is working on getting the Town of Thayne lower workers compensation rates and having a safety policy is part of one of the savings programs.
- Simpson asked for any questions, comments, concerns and changes that need to be made on the Employee Handbook that was presented at the last meeting. Councilman Woolley asked why the half days for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve were removed. The Mayor stated that he will stick with the same 8 holidays as every other federal office. The Council was given one more month to look over the policy and it will be voted on at the next meeting.
- Mayor Simpson gave a WyoStar II update

Motion to issue checks to be ratified at the next council meeting

Motion- Councilman Woolley
Seconded- Councilman Heward
Motion Carried

Motion to pay bills

Motion- Councilman Heward
Seconded- Councilman Woolley
Motion Carried

Motion to adjourn meeting

Motion- Councilman Woolley
Seconded- Councilman Heward
Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

General Bills:

Wyoming Department of Transportation	plate fee	\$2.00
Lincoln County Treasurer	title fee	\$15.00
Devin Simpson	travel reimbursement	\$330.94
Farmers Feed Store	supplies	\$72.00
Valley Wide COOP	propane	\$709.30
Luthi & Voyles	legal	\$110.00
Caselle	Caselle maintenance	\$728.00
ALSCO	uniforms	\$76.00
Wyoming Retirement System	retirement	\$1,333.64
Vinylart Signs & Graphics	graphics	\$74.75
Twin D Inc	sewer jetting	\$9,003.17
Triple H Landscaping	repairs	\$315.00
Meadows at Star Valley Subdivision	electricity for pump	\$585.63

Thayne True Value	supplies/maintenance	\$416.32
TGB Landscaping and Irrigation	canal bank repairs	\$1,493.09
SVI Media	advertising	\$465.50
Star Valley Quick Stop	fuel	\$332.50
Star Valley Disposal	waste removal	\$152.00
Royal Flush Septic Service	July 4 th	\$85.00
Peavler's Mountain Star	repairs/parts	\$32.42
Lower Valley Energy	electricity	\$3,849.35
Lincoln Self Reliance	August cleaning	\$630.00
Lincoln County Sheriff's Office	communications	\$743.00
Gem State Paper and Supply	paper supplies	\$134.57
Fenton's Office Solutions	fenton's maintenance	\$58.54
Echo Services	materials/repairs	\$1,596.60
Sunrise Engineering	engineering	\$13,836.50
Silver Star Communications	telephone/internet	\$909.61
API Systems	Town Hall fire alarm system	\$282.00
Lower Valley Energy	sewer electricity	\$10.89
All Star Auto	parts	\$65.99
Day Wireless Systems	radio maintenance	\$260.00
ECHO Services	repairs	\$62.00
Town of Afton	lab testing	\$27.00
Star Valley Disposal	waste removal	\$385.61
Dearborn National Life Insurance	life insurance	\$22.02
Lower Valley Energy	water pump electricity	\$16.75
Salaries		\$9,593.30

EMT Bills:

Star Valley Disposal	waste removal	\$60.00
Star Valley Cleaning	cleaning service	\$118.00
Wyoming Retirement System	retirement	\$243.75
Star Valley Quick Stop	fuel	\$170.23
Lower Valley Energy	electricity	\$74.91
Emergency Medical Products	supplies	\$142.24
Silver Star Communications	telephone/internet	\$137.63
John White	fire department assist	\$40.00
Cole Julson	fire department assist	\$20.00
Toby Merritt	fire department assist	\$20.00
MMH Training Center	CPR Training	\$40.00
Caselle	payroll application	\$45.00
Star Valley Medical Center	supplies	\$240.00
Emergency Medical Products	supplies	\$63.00
Auto Sort	donation letters	\$1,248.60
Town of Thayne	GPS	\$48.48
Valley Market	supplies	\$119.10
Emergency Medical Products	supplies	\$304.13
Salaries		\$1,346.01

Fire Department Bills:

Star Valley Quick Stop	fuel	\$235.24
SVI Media	advertising	\$94.50
Western Wyoming Drug Collection Services	drug testing	\$95.00
Silver Star Communications	telephone/internet	\$64.99
Star Valley Cleaning	cleaning service	\$69.00
Lower Valley Energy	electricity	\$84.45
Wyoming Retirement System	retirement	\$506.25
Town of Thayne	GPS	\$111.36
All Star Auto	repairs and maintenance	\$108.57