

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting of the Evansville Town Council, Evansville, Wyoming

April 12, 2021

The regular meeting of the Evansville Town Council of the Town of Evansville, County of Natrona, State of Wyoming, was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall.

Council Meeting Livestreamed via You Tube.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chad Edwards at 7:00 p.m. and upon roll call the following were present: Mayor Chad Edwards, Council Members Joe Knop, Candace Machado, Michael Scott, and Cathy Stypa, Town Attorney Scott Murry, Town Treasurer Lexi Erickson, Chief of Police Mike Thompson, Fire Chief Leo Malsom, Public Works Director Paul Hanson, Town Clerk Janelle Underwood, and interested citizens.

Mayor Chad Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion was made by Michael Scott and seconded by Joe Knop to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

- A) Minutes for Regular Meeting March 22, 2021
- B) Approval of Business Licenses – Da Vinci Signs and Rissler Plumbing & Heating
- C) Approval of Bills

Motion was made by Joe Knop and seconded by Michael Scott to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PARADE PERMIT – TECHPOPIPT CAR SHOW MAY 8, 2021: Town Clerk Janelle Underwood advised that Cory O'Malley with Techpoint would like to hold a Car Show on May 8, 2021, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at 4520 E. Yellowstone Highway and would like to close off the west bound lane of E. Yellowstone Highway Frontage Road for the Car Show and have the east bound lane of the E. Yellowstone Highway Frontage Road open for emergency traffic with alley ways open in the area. She advised that they would also like to have a food truck and a beer vendor, but that neither one of these vendors had applied for any permits to date.

Cory O'Malley with Techpoint stated that they thought it would be nice to have an event in Evansville and would like to donate proceeds to the Evansville Fire Department. He stated that he is planning on having some raffle prizes and he is anticipating anywhere from thirty to sixty cars.

Mayor Edwards asked that if someone does apply for a permit for alcohol that there would not be glass bottles. He asked Mr. O'Malley about restrooms and parking.

They will get porta potties as well as the restrooms in their place of business will be available and he has been speaking to most of the businesses around him and has received permission to use those areas for parking.

Council Member Cathy Stypa asked how they will be handling the trash.

Mr. O'Malley stated that he would have people helping with the car show and taking care of the trash collection.

Council Member Candace Machado asked how many cars he anticipated having participate in the Car Show.

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Council Member Michael Scott asked if Oil City Brew is going to have a beer garden area that is fenced off and someone to verify ages prior to selling the alcohol.

Cory O'Malley stated that they will provide wrist bands that identify 21 years of age and older and then Oil City Beer Company would be the ones selling the beer.

Council Member Cathy Stypa stated that she would like to see some signs put up stating that the alcohol cannot leave the premises.

Mayor Edwards asked if the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief had any thoughts or concerns about the event.

Fire Chief Leo Malsom stated that if the Fire Department can access the area in case of an emergency, he has no issues. He thinks events like this are good for the community.

Chief Thompson stated that there are emergency accesses in place if the need arises and events like this would be great for Evansville and he supports it.

Cory O'Malley stated that this is something that he would like to perhaps hold annually.

After discussion, motion was made by Cathy Stypa and seconded by Joe Knop to table the approval until the April 26, 2021, Council Meeting when Cory O'Malley can come back with a few more details of the plan for the May 8, 2021, Car Show. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON TRAILERS PARKING ON STREETS: Council Member Cathy Stypa read the current Town Ordinance 13-2-7 regarding trailers parking on the streets. She then read email comments supporting the allowance of parking of campers and trailers on the streets, especially during the summer, to comments that do not believe trailers should be allowed to park on the streets due to the hazards that they create.

Alona Vigneault spoke in favor of allowing campers to be parked on the streets. She stated that she did not feel that seven days in a thirty-day period was enough by the time you pack and unpack your camper each weekend. She stated that if a person went out every weekend in a month, you have already gone over your seven-day limit. Ms. Vigneault stated that maybe the Town could consider allowing campers and trailers to park on the streets from May through November or maybe the Town could issue permits at a cost of ten dollars that allows that trailer to park on the street.

Ed Porter stated that he would like to see people allowed to park trailers on streets. He stated that some people have additional parking on the side of their homes and some people do not.

Phil Gierke asked why there was such as ordinance in place.

Chief Thompson stated that as an example, the City of Douglas has an ordinance in place that is stricter than Evansville's. He stated it really comes down to what the community wants because they do create a safety issue, especially if you have a child run out from behind a camper. He stated that he can see both sides and that it is a good discussion for the community.

Phil Gierke stated that if having a camper parked on the street is not safe then why is it safe to allow it to be parked on the street for seven days because that safety does not go away for those seven days. He stated when he moved here, he was surprised by the number of campers parked on the street and feels that if you are going to own a boat or a camper then you need to plan for storage such as moving your fence back so you can park along the side of your house.

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Dacia Edwards stated that she has a camper, but she does not store it at home. She stated that she does bring it home to load or unload from camping. She stated that when you are backing a vehicle out of your driveway especially if the slide-outs are outs, it is very hard to see around them, and she does not want to hit someone's child, so she sees the need for the ordinance. Dacia Edwards asked would it be a problem if she parked her camper on her grass.

Fire Chief Malsom stated that as far as the Fire Code goes, you can not block the homes address.

Phil Gierke stated that he feels the Police Department has done a great job. He has noticed a difference in the last year.

Sheila Riggs asked how do you control who parks their camper in front of your house. She stated that there are so many variables because it is a public street. She stated back in the day when they owned a camper, when they bought a new house, they knew they had to buy a house that had RV parking. She stated a person may have to renovate their lot to fit their toys.

Tonya Brigance stated that she brought up the issue last year about trailers parking on the streets as well as she has complained about 7<sup>th</sup> Street when people are parked on both sides of the street and she is trying to pull off Whipsaw Street. She stated that if you cannot see past a truck then how are you going to see past a camper and does not understand why this is up for discussion. She stated that if you want to move out here and you want to have a RV then you should make sure that you have room for RV parking. Ms. Brigance stated that if the current ordinance gets changed and a child gets hit are we going to be back at this again making changes like the Town did last year when they painted the yellow lines for "no parking" along 7<sup>th</sup> Street and people did not like that and they were shortened up.

Mayor Edwards stated that is why this issue is up for discussion to see what the people want. He stated that there is a lot of thought that needs to be put into it before a decision is made. He stated that regarding the parking line on 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Ms. Brigance is correct that she brought that up last year and the Town painted those lines and then after looking at the painted lines and shortening them up, those lines are still twice as long as any other lines in the subdivision. Mayor Edwards thanked everyone for their comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: During public comments, Alona Vigneault stated that with summer coming it would be great if the potholes on the walking path could be repaired.

Sheila Riggs stated that the potholes around the mailboxes off Platte Park Road are really getting bad and was wondering if the Town would consider pouring concrete.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made by Michael Scott and seconded by Cathy Stypa to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

  
Chad Edwards, Mayor

ATTESTED:

  
Janelle Underwood, Town Clerk