

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting of the Evansville Town Council, Evansville, Wyoming

October 25, 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: Council Members Joe Knop, Candace Machado, Michael Scott, and Cathy Stypa, Town Attorney Alia Scott, Town Planner Scott Radden, Police Chief Mike Thompson, Fire Chief Leo Malsom, Public Works Director Robert Lewallen, 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 October 11, 2021

B) Approval of Business Licenses – Cheyenne Ace, LLC and Green Vista Roofing

Motion was made by Cathy Stypa and seconded by Joe Knop to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING – 7:00 P.M. – EVANSVILLE SOUTHERN ANNEXATION: Town Planner Scott Radden advised the Governing Body that the Town advertised for the Public Hearing in the Casper Star Tribune for the proposed annexation, as well as Certified letters were sent to all affected property owners and public utilities for the Southern Annexation. He stated that the Town did not receive back any comments and that the proposed annexation meets all the Wyoming Statutory requirements.

Bru Till with Brutill Construction stated that he owns Parcels two, four, five, six, seven, and eight. He stated that he never received notifications regarding the proposed annexation and wasn't sure why. He stated that he received the notification from the previous owner because he has recently purchased the properties.

Town Planner Scott Radden stated that the Town is required to send information out based on the Natrona County Assessor's records and because Mr. Bru Till recently purchased the properties, the Natrona County Assessor's records are not updated.

Mr. Till stated that his concerns are how the property will be zoned and if that will affect his business operations and plans.

Mr. Radden stated that whatever the zoning was before should stay the same. He stated that he will look at everything and get back to him, but he believes a lot of this area that Mr. Till is inquiring about is zoned Industrial or Light Industrial.

Mayor Edwards stated that the intent is not to change how anybody is doing business out there.

The Public Hearing closed at 7:15 p.m.

BRENNA THOMPSON – NC HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK: Brenna Thompson, sophomore of Natrona County High School advised the Governing Body that she was on the Natrona County High School's Yearbook Committee and asked if the Town of Evansville would be willing to purchase an advertisement in support of the yearbook.

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The Governing Body stated that they thought it was a great idea to support the local high schools and perhaps they can come up with some ideas and get back with her.

ORDINANCE #7-2021: Evansville Southern Annexation. First reading. Town Clerk Janelle Underwood read Ordinance #7-2021 by title only. Motion was made by Joe Knop and seconded by Michael Scott to approve Ordinance #7-2021 on first reading. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #8-2021: An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15 – Prowling. Town Clerk Janelle Underwood read Ordinance #8-2021 by title only.

Chief of Police Mike Thompson explained to the Governing Body the reasons for the proposed ordinance. He stated that his department has been having issues with prowlers and the lack of ability to prosecute them through the District Attorney's Office. He stated that he would like to propose some additions to the proposed ordinance. He stated under paragraph (c) he would like to remove the language "reasonable suspicion" and replace it with "probable cause". Chief Thompson stated that under paragraph (d) – Definitions - he would like to add subparagraph (d) - Private Property.

After Chief Thompson explained what brought this proposed ordinance before the Governing Body and there was some discussion held, motion was made by Michael Scott and seconded by Cathy Stypa to approve Ordinance #8-2021 on first reading. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Michael Scott and seconded by Cathy Stypa to approve Ordinance #8-2021 as amended. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #9-2021: An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 19-1-5. Town Clerk Janelle Underwood read Ordinance #9-2021 by title only.

Public Works Director Robert Lewallen asked the Governing Body to table Ordinance #9-2021 for some more research and possibly some additional language.

Chief Thompson stated that he would like to see some enforcement language added to the proposed ordinance.

Motion was made by Cathy Stypa and seconded by Joe Knop to table Ordinance #9-2021. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE COLA: Mayor Edwards advised the Governing Body that the last couple of years have been tough and that the employees have not seen any Cost of Living increases over the last two budget cycles. He stated that to date, the sales tax revenue has been coming in higher than expected and that the sales tax revenue is thirty-five thousand nine hundred forty-eight dollars (\$35, 948.00) above the anticipated revenues, and if the Town provided a 2% COLA on the base pay to all full-time employees the total cost would be just under thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000.00).

Motion was made by Michael Scott and seconded by Cathy Stypa to approve the 2% COLA on the base pay of all full-time employees. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made by Michael Scott and seconded by Cathy Stypa to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried.



APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Chad Edwards, Mayor

ATTESTED:  \_\_\_\_\_

Janelle Underwood, Town Clerk