## February 7, 2023 Town of Guernsey Regular Meeting Platte County, Wyoming

PRESENT: Mayor Delgado, CM Harris, CM Michaels, CM Wells, CM Augustyn.

**STAFF:** Mike Fronapfel, Judge William Conner, Sergeant Holt, Officer Chavez, Chuck Porter, Jeff Thomas, Pam Hebbert.

**REGISTERING GUESTS:** Rose Martinez, Cassie Wells.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Delgado called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**OATH OF OFFICE:** Judge William Conner administered the oath of office to Council Member Kellie Augustyn.

**AGENDA:** CM Harris motioned to approve the agenda. CM Wells seconded. The motion carried. **MINUTES:** CM Wells motioned to approve the minutes for January 17, 2023, as presented. CM Harris seconded. The motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS: Mayor Delgado presented the vouchers for approval. CM Michaels motioned to approve the Considerations of Claims in the amount of \$121,831.62, seconded by CM Augustyn. The motion carried. Vouchers follow in their entirety: A & M Electric, \$146.02; Black Hills Energy, \$3,405.01; CenturyLink, \$978.25; Shawn Conner, \$525.00; Drube Supply, \$32.99; Energy Laboratories, \$5,000.00; Frank J. Jones, \$3,687.20; Guernsey Super Foods, \$1.89; Howshar Hardware, \$203.71; International Code Council, \$1,275.00; Inventory Trading Company, \$440.00; L.L. Johnson Distributing, \$208.32; Mindieta, Matthew, \$55.92; Mosley, Sarah, \$500.00; NFPA, \$304.99; Northwest Pipe Fittings, \$32.50; Pitney Bowes Financial Services, \$231.12; Platte County Chamber of Commerce, \$2,562.50; Pocket Press, Inc., \$66.94; R & R Products, \$26.19; Sam's Club MC/SYNCB, \$379.93; Staples Credit Plan, \$141.67; TDS Collection Services, \$16,212.02; Tri-City Parks & Recreation, \$11,016.26; United States Postal Service, \$216.25; Verizon Wireless, \$329.17; Wheatland Automotive, \$183.89; WWQ & PCA, \$120.00; Wyoming First Aid & Safety Supply, \$243.18; Wyrulec, \$1,661.30. Total Invoices, \$50,187.22. Payroll, \$27,750.82. Taxes/Benefits Payable, \$43,893.58. TOTAL CLAIMS: \$121,831.62.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Pat Russell inquired about the condition of the Town of Guernsey billboard sign on I-25. Information will be gathered about options to restore it. She also suggested the inclusion of budget provisions in the contract for the operation of the pool, and service quality metrics for the proposed law enforcement contract with the sheriff's office. Amber McGuire, Cassie Wells and Judge Conner offered comments for the council to consider when weighing the option to contract with the Platte County Sheriff's Office for the provision of law enforcement services.

**COMMUNITY/ORGANIZATION REPORTS:** None

**RESOLUTION APPROVAL:** CM Michaels motioned that Resolution 2023-004 and Resolution 2023-005 be approved, making changes to the bank account signatures at Banner Capital and First State Bank, respectively. CM Harris seconded. The motion carried.

**BUILDING PLAN APPROVAL:** CM Augustyn motioned to approve the building plans for Kevin Lockman at 262 E. Whalen, as submitted to and approved by the Planning and Zoning Committee. CM Michaels seconded. The motion carried.

**CONSULTING AGREEMENT:** CM Wells motioned to approve the consulting agreement submitted by Jesse Bowen to provide computer support services for the Town of Guernsey. CM Augustyn seconded. The motion carried.

**RAIL SPUR EXTENSION:** It was discussed that the increase in projected costs makes a functional design for Phase Two of the Rail Spur project financially infeasible. CM Wells motioned that the Town release the balance of funds designated for the project back to the Wyoming Business Council. CM Michaels seconded. The motion carried.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES/DRAFT PROPOSAL:** CM Augustyn moved that the discussion of the Draft Proposal for Law Enforcement Services by the Platte County Sheriff's Office be tabled until the next meeting. CM Harris seconded. The motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** Chuck Porter reported on activity undertaken in recent weeks which includes communication for demolition of the Dollar General site and the landfill remediation project pre-bid meeting. Mike Fronapfel presented cost information for a new SCADA system to provide water system control. Funding options were discussed. Fronapfel will research the matter further. Jeff Thomas reported for the Fire Department. He is looking at options for the department to offer a First Responder class. Judge William Conner presented the January Municipal Court report. Citation activity continues to be down due to reduced police staffing. Pam Hebbert reported on Town Hall activity. Pool operator requests for proposals are being accepted for the 2023 season. The Town met with Banner Health officials to review ambulance contract services.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORT: CM Harris and CM Wells commended the Public Works crew for their snow removal efforts. CM Augustyn conveyed ideas discussed at the recent Guernsey Economic Development planning meeting for July 4<sup>th</sup> events and the use of the Old Timers arena. CM Michaels commented on the opportunity provided at the WAM conference to gain information for the betterment of the Town. Mayor Delgado reported on the progress of pedestrian sign placement on Whalen and the S. Wyoming river bridge. In addition, two previously un-named roads near the cemetery have been named, Bohannon and Seward Drive. New signage has been ordered for all surrounding roads. Attorney Frank Jones reiterated that the current proposal for law enforcement services by the county is a draft. He has identified similar contracts in use for consideration.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 7:06 pm CM Wells motioned that the council adjourn to an Executive Session for personnel. CM Harris seconded. The motion carried.

**RE-CONVENE REGULAR SESSION:** At 7:47 pm the council re-convened to regular session with no decisions made.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, CM Augustyn motioned that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by CM Michaels. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Attest:

Pam Hebbert, Clerk/Treasurer

Edward Delgado, Mayor