

Bicknell Town Council Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2023, 7:00 PM

I. WELCOME/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ ROLL CALL

Mayor Johnson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order and lead us in the pledge of allegiance. Council Members present were Steve Albrecht, Kerry Stevens, Mayor Noreen Johnson, and Weston Johnson. Bryan Brinkerhoff and Scott Woolsey were absent. Others present were Kelsey Brinkerhoff, Carrie Brinkerhoff, Thomas Hunter, Jim & Cristy Dudleston, Shannon Taylor, Gregg Anderson, Deeann Frasier, Mont & Kelly Forsyth, Kade Blackburn, Brock Jackson, and John Taylor.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the town council meeting for April were reviewed. Mayor Johnson asked if the council had any corrections. Council did not have any corrections. Weston made a motion to approve the April town council meeting minutes, Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers. The minutes of the Talmage Moosman variance public hearing were reviewed. Mayor Johnson asked if the council had any corrections. There were no corrections. Steve made a motion to approve the minutes of the Talmage Moosman variance public hearing, and Kerry seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers. The minutes of the April town council work meeting were reviewed. Mayor Johnson asked if the council had any corrections. Council did not have any corrections. Steve made a motion to approve the April town council work meeting minutes, and Weston seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The mayor decided to open it up for public comment. Shannon Taylor had questions about flood prevention and whose responsibility the 24 ft in between the road and the property owner's land was. She fills like she needs a berm on the north side of her property to protect her property from future flood water. The council and mayor had no problem with her or Scott doing some work up there to protect her property. That was all the comments tonight.

III. BUSINESS

Kade Blackburn- Kade Blackburn was there to ask the council if he could move his building from its original location over to the other vacant lot he owns. The council discussed that he still needs to meet the setbacks. Ultimately it was decided that he should bring a new site plan to planning and zoning on May 30 and then they would go from there. Kade thank the council and excused himself.

Cherie Blackburn- John Taylor was there to ask about building an enclosed garage on the current piece of concrete at Cherie Blackburn's home. He attended planning and zoning two days before but did not have a site plan. At that point planning commission weighed in and said they didn't know if he would meet the setbacks, but if he did, they would approve it. There was some discussion and Jim Dudleston with the planning commission will go to the county and research where the property line starts once we have an answer we will get back to John or Cherie, John thanked the council and excused himself.

Brock Jackson-Six County needs assessment- Brock Jackson, with Six County, was here to do a needs assessment as he is our new community advisor. The council discussed what some of their needs will be in the next year with Brock she let the council know something he's been made aware of that the subdivision ordinance needs to be updated by 2024 with some guidelines to follow he will be helping us with that. We also discussed how to improve

our ordinance process and ability to find them and also let Brock know we want to look into flood help! The council thanked Brock and said they are looking forward to his help.

Beautification Committee- Beautification committee gave a rough draft of the T-Mobile grant, and provided the council with an update. They also question if the town is bonded in the state right away on the highway, Carrie will look into that. The council expressed many thanks to the beautification committee for all their hard work they wanted to remind everybody they meet on the second Thursday of the month at 11 o'clock and they are always wanting new members.

Planning & Zoning Report- The planning and zoning report was given by Gregg Anderson. Everyone was present at their last meeting, except Jacee and Rhett. They had a site visit with Talmage Moosman on his variance. They gave him a plan that would work, and Talmage does not want to do that. They had John Taylor for the garage at Cherie Blackburn 's house. He didn't have a picture or anything so they didn't really know what to tell him. They are thinking he might need a variance; they are reviewing the building ordinance and hopefully will have a final draft next meeting.

Summer Help Hire- The summer help position had three applicants. They will set up interviews for next week and we'll go from there.

Elections- Kelsey, let the council know two councilmember seats are up for election this year. One is a two-year term and the other one is a four-year term. The filing dates are June 1 through the seventh. She will be in the office on the weekdays from 9 to 5 if there's anybody who wants to file for a council member seat. She also let the council know she has talked to the county clerk about running the election for us with new regulations on elections. It probably would be beneficial to pave the county to do it instead of running our own she hasn't heard back much from the county clerk; she will keep everybody informed.

Energy Tax Ordinance #05-04-23- This ordinance was discussed in a few meetings prior. Mayor Johnson explained the ordinance and asked the council if they had any questions. There were none. Weston made a motion to adopt the energy tax ordinance, Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers.

Cemetery Fee Resolution # 05-04-23- Mayor Johnson explained the reason why the town is raising its cemetery rates. The mayor asked if anyone had any questions. There was some discussion then Kerry made a motion to adopt resolution Cemetery Fee # 05-04-23, Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers.

Fee Schedule-Variance Fee- The current building and zoning ordinance says the variance fee is set by the town council and the fee was never set so the council would like to set the fee at \$500.00. Mayor asked if anyone had any questions, but there were none so Steve made a motion to update the fee schedule to reflect the new variance fee, Steve seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers.

Budget- The board was given a tentative budget for 2023 to 2024. There were still a few things that need to be made. They can work on it at the Work meeting. Steve had some questions about salaries Kelsie or Carrie will get that to him and we can talk about it at the work meeting.

MEMBER REPORTS

Mayor Johnson- The mayor reminded everyone of town cleanup day on May 20. We will have one or two dumpsters. Our main focus will be on the greenhouse in the garden. We will have lunch at the Townhall. She also reminded everybody about the regional growth summit on the 23rd of May, and the mayor commissioner meeting on the eighth at 6:30. Everyone is invited to attend. Brigg also wanted to see if the plan was to take Porta-potty to the park at the end of May it is at the cemetery right now. The mayor has some concerns if we should keep the

park open to the public while construction is going on. Also, she wanted to let the council know that when we paint at the park pavilion, she wants to paint the firehouse to match.

Weston- Weston wondered if a new fire hydrant at the firehouse was in the water project and the mayor let him know that it is.

Steve- Steve, let the council know they are working hard on the trails. He also went to an emergent C management meeting and was wondering if we should work on an emergency plan again. Be Ready Utah, has lots of plans and ideas and lots of good information. He also would like the town Council to have a list of priorities that they would like to have accomplished in the coming months/years.

Financial- A list of bills was presented to the council for payment approval for February. Steve made a motion to pay the bills. Weston seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers. A list of bills was presented to the council for payment approval for March. Kerry made a motion to pay the bills. Weston seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Johnson, and Stevens. The vote was unanimous. Motion carriers.

Adjournment. Kerry made a motion at 9:11 PM to go into a closed session, and Weston seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called Councilmembers voting yes: Albrecht, Stevens, and Johnson. The vote was unanimous. Motion carries.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

The town council discussed office personnel. They adjourned at 9:25 PM.

_____ Mayor _____ Clerk