



# TOWN OF MILLS

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## Work Session Minutes

January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Meeting called to order by Mayor Coleman at 9:00am**

**Present:** Mayor Coleman, Councilman Ives, Councilman McCarthy, Councilman Wales  
Councilman Hollander, Pat Holscher, Department Heads

**Town Clerk: Christine Trumbull:**

Christine talked about the Little Hands issue. They are still wanting to use our back half of the library. But what they also want from us is to help fund the program. Christine stated that we did get the grant from Rocky Mountain Power in the amount of \$3000. The program will cost \$20,000. That would include pay for the help and the supplies they would need. The program would run from July to June, with time off for the holidays and summer break. They wanted to start in June but I told her that we did not budget for this and that is something that the council would have to decide on. Mayor asked Christine if we have looked into an more grant possibilities? She has not and will look into it. Little Hands will be on the February work session to address council and Christine will look into to see if there are any grants we could get.

**Mayor Coleman:**

Mayor talked about chickens in the town. Pat is using the City of Casper language to make ours. Mayor stated that we are basically using Casper's and changing it up a little. Casper number is 6.08.030. Councilman Ives is worried about the smell and upkeep. She is also worried that people will not pay attention to how many our rules are and have too many. Town Clerk Christine is to send a copy of the chicken code to the council to review.

Mayor talked about the Medical Director for the Fire Department. The town did their part in getting the license and sent off to the state, but the Fire Department was called on New Year's Eve when the current license expired and said that we did not finish the process so therefore, we could not run our ambulance after that date. What had happen is the current medical director did not fill out his part, therefore it fell through the cracks. The Fire Department is using the same as Casper. We have always had a different one than anyone else in Natrona County and decided to use the same one as the other. Councilman Hollander asked what the medical director does. Mayor stated that the medical director is the doctor of the EMS department. Next, Mayor talked about approaching Wyoming Medical Center about doing a franchise for the billing and a franchise to use our facility to store their ambulance. We would like to do both. The hospital is experienced in the billing process and since the patients end up there is would be nice for them to take over the billing.

Mayor stated to council that the fire department has been doing interviews for part-time and volunteer staff. We want to be a combination fire department. We have not decided on if it will be paid per call or a wage per hour. We are discussing that right now. Also, the Dave North the Fire Chief is getting an outline together of the changes that he would like to see at the station. He wants to finish the upstairs and make the downstairs be offices. He will get a drawing together to show you.

Mayor asked Mike Coleman what he thinks it would take to move the animal's shelter over by the public works building. Mike and the Chief of Police are working on a layout of a new building.

Next, the Mayor wanted to talk about Wardwell. We are wanting to do a joint committee with Bar Nunn. Both of the municipalities are wanting to take over the parts that are in their town. Pat Holscher, Town Attorney stated that Wardwell will file a suit against us. It is uncommon to have another water district run the water when another municipality has the water and sewer in that area. Wardwell can still have the areas that are not in our jurisdiction. Councilman Hollander asked how much does Wardwell have in the Town of Mills. Mayor stated not much. Most is in Bar Nunn, but we would like the areas that we have to be ours. Pat stated that we are working with the Town of Bar Nunn and will keep you all posted.

Mayor wanted to let council know that we will have to get two garbage trunks. We are thinking of one used one and one new one. We met with Jonah Bank the other day to get ideas of leasing and how they can help, Christine Trumbull, Town Clerk is working with them and will let us know what she finds out.

The annexation hearing will be February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Mark Nogel is still fighting that the town owes him some easements. Christine found some information for the Mayor and stated that it was only to be 7 years and that expired many years ago. Councilman Hollander asked why we are giving him the time or day. He have heard from him and know that he does not own the land, Larry Midaugh does.

Mayor also wanted to bring up to council about a possible 6<sup>th</sup> cent on the ballot this year. The 5<sup>th</sup> cent would be a permanent tax and the 6<sup>th</sup> cent is a new one. We need to make a list of how we would use the 6<sup>th</sup> cent. Christine will forward the list that the Mayor has come up and he would like the input of council on what they would like to see done with the money.

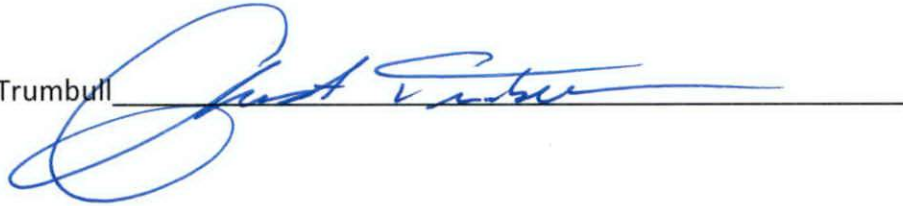
Sabrina will start the 27<sup>th</sup> of January. Mayor has made a list of things that he would like her to get working on.

Councilman McCarthy asked if we are going to start to have the department lunches again. We had stopped and would like to start up again. The Fire Department is next and Mayor will get with Dave North to set something up.

Mayor asked the Town Clerk to send out Title 6, Tile 9 and Title 10 to council to review and if they have any questions please get ahold of the Mayor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor adjourned the work session at 10:25am.

Attested: Christine Trumbull

A handwritten signature in blue ink is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and appears to be "Christine Trumbull".