

September 22, 2015

The Red Lodge City Council met in regular session on September 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Williams followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS** Present: Mayor Williams, Aldermen Foisy, Mahan, Thompson, Labrie, Brown, and Schoenike. Absent: None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD ATTENDANCE:** City Clerk – Loni Hanson, Public Works Director – Jim Bushnell, and Police Chief- Steve Hibler

**MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2015** Motion by Mahan, second by Brown to approve the minutes of September 8, 2015 as presented. On roll call vote all Aldermen present voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC REGARDING MATTERS WITHIN CITY JURISDICTION THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA** None.

**INTRODUCTION OF KATELYN ESSIG, MONTANA ENERGY CORPS MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF RED LODGE** Mayor Williams introduced Katelyn Essig, from Montana Energy Corps, who will be working for the City of Red Lodge for the next twelve months.

Katelyn Essig gave a brief history of the Energy Corps. She commented she will be working on energy initiatives for the City, including LED lighting, renewable energy solar panels for Municipal buildings, recycling and waste management. She said she has a Bachelor’s Degree in Sociology and Environmental Science and has a Master’s Degree in Sustainable Development Policy.

**STANDING COMMITTEES-ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE Resolution #3398, Interfund Loan between Solid Waste and Capital Projects.** Motion by Labrie, second by Mahan to approve Resolution #3398, a resolution by the City Council of the City of Red Lodge, Montana, authorizing an interfund loan between Solid Waste and Capital Projects to cover expenses in FY16. On roll call vote all Aldermen present voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 3398**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RED LODGE, MONTANA, AUTHORIZING AN INTERFUND LOAN BETWEEN SOLID WASTE AND CAPITAL PROJECTS TO COVER EXPENSES IN FY 16.**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Montana requires that Solid Waste Enterprise fund be funded by the jurisdiction with no support from the State of Montana; and

**WHEREAS**, in FY 16 the Solid Waste Department is projected to be short by \$50,000.00 in meeting this mandate; and

**WHEREAS**, the loan from the Capital Projects fund will be repaid from the Solid Waste assessments with 2% interest.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Red Lodge City Council that:

The expenses of the Solid Waste Department shall be paid for by an interfund loan from the Capital Projects Fund to the Solid Waste Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00. The loan shall be repaid according to the terms below, by annual appropriations from the Solid Waste Fund of the City of Red Lodge.

Term: Ten (10) years

Interest: 2%

First Payment Due: November 2016

Total Cost: \$55,500.00

**PASSED and APPROVED** By the Red Lodge City Council and approved by the Mayor on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

Labrie said this is to cover what the City projects will be a shortfall of funds in the Solid Waste Fund for FY 16.

**Sewer PER Engineer Contract** Motion by Mahan, second by Labrie to approve the Sewer Preliminary Engineering Report Engineer Contract with KLJ in the amount of \$63,500, not to exceed \$100,000, with all change orders to be approved by the City Council. On roll call vote all Aldermen present voted “Aye.” Motion carried.

Forrest Sanderson, KLJ representative, asked if the City was anticipating more projects for KLJ to look at and if that is why the “not to exceed \$100,000” was added.

Mayor Williams said there may be some things, including the storm water infiltration, the Council may want KLJ to look into, but at this point nothing has been decided.

**LAND USE AND PLANNING** Schoenike said they are still working on the Parks projects. He said they will be tasking the Planning Board with reviewing and updating the Zoning regulations.

**PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY** Mahan said the Mayor gave a very informative presentation regarding the ADA corners during the committee meeting, which took the full hour, so they will discuss the other topics at their next committee meeting in October.

Schoenike said they have come up with a preliminary plan on how to deal with the ADA corners and should have a resolution for the next meeting.

Mayor Williams suggested that the Council hold a couple of merchant meetings regarding the ADA corners before the Council goes further with a resolution.

**PUBLIC WORKS** Foisy said Ordinance #919 should be ready for first reading at the October 13, 2015, meeting.

Foisy said the Pool fees collected for 2015 were \$21,263.50, up from \$18,396.00 for the summer of 2014. He said the committee decided to keep the fees where they are and not lower them for next summer.

Foisy also said the City now has an automated water and sewer usage report. Foisy said the Public Works department received assistance from Rural Development on creating the report.

Mahan asked Jim Bushnell, Public Works Director, about the vandalism that was being done at the cemetery.

Bushnell said some flower arrangements and vases have been taken from graves at the cemetery, but he has no idea who has been doing it.

Mayor Williams asked the Chief to have the officers do drives through the cemetery in the evenings.

**CITIZEN REPORT** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE** None.

**MISCELLANEOUS** Thompson asked to be excused from the next meeting as she will be out of town for more than 10 days and to change the time for the Committee meetings for October 27, 2015, to Administration and Finance meet at 1:00 p.m. and Public Health and Safety meet at 3:00 p.m.

Motion by Schoenike, second by Mahan to excuse Alderman Thompson from the October 13, 2015, meeting and allow her to be out of town for more than 10 days and to change the committee meeting times of October 27, 2015, to Administration and Finance meet at 1:00 p.m. and Public Health and Safety meet at 3:00. On roll call vote all Aldermen present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Brown asked the Council for permission to be gone from September 28<sup>th</sup> to October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015, but she would not miss any Council meetings.

Motion by Schoenike, second by Labrie to give Alderman Brown permission to be gone from September 28<sup>th</sup> to October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. On roll call vote all Aldermen present voted "Aye." Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Clerk