

SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

MARCH 16, 2020

JACKSON, WYOMING

The Jackson Town Council met in a special session in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall located at 150 East Pearl at 1:53 P.M. Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

TOWN COUNCIL: Mayor Pete Muldoon, Vice-Mayor Hailey Morton Levinson, Arne Jorgensen, Jim Stanford, and Jonathan Schechter.

STAFF: Larry Pardee, Tyler Sinclair, Lea Colasuonno, Carl Pelletier, Todd Smith, Michelle Weber, and Darren Brugmann, and Sandy Birdyshaw

Consent Calendar. A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Arne Jorgensen to approve the consent calendar including item A as presented with the following motion. There was no public comment on the Consent Calendar.

A. **Disbursements.** To approve the disbursements as presented. 107 West Design, LLC \$1,625.00; Ace Hardware \$858.90; Advanced Glass Trim, LLC \$725.00; Amazon Capital Services \$1,059.63; Amerigas \$952.81; AmSoil Inc, #774148 \$8,066.25; Antler Motel, Inc. \$6,960.00; Apex Sage Inc \$532.50; Architectural Building Supply \$9.00; AT&T \$1,574.24; Bestdrive Idaho Falls \$4,797.56; Big R Ranch & Home \$782.11; Blue Spruce Cleaners, nc \$51.14; Bristol, James \$45.00; Brooks, Angela \$200.00; Brower Psychological Services Inc \$650.00; C & A Professional Cleaning Serv LLC \$167.50; Carquest Auto Parts Inc. \$333.59; Caselle Inc. \$1,800.00; Cast \$630.00; Centurylink \$1,880.19; Centurylink \$306.63; Charter Communications \$1,653.89; Chitwood, Jessica \$591.00; CMI - Teco \$3,397.43; Commercial Tire-Id Falls \$1,907.68; Core & Main LP \$25,354.55; Cummins Rocky Mountain LLC \$1,903.94; Dean's Pest Control LLC \$145.00; Dell \$477.45; Delta Dental Plan Of Wyoming \$7,600.70; Doney, Tyson \$1,190.00; E.R. Office Express \$6,556.85; Electrical Wholesale Supply \$68.13; Emerg + A + Care \$205.00; Energy Laboratories Inc. \$708.00; Environments Systems Research, Inc \$8,324.00; Espinoza, Nataly \$705.39; Floyd's Truck Center \$409.32; Freedom Mailing Service Inc. \$1,778.81; Furber, Winslow \$198.00; Galls Inc. \$99.50; Gillig LLC \$1,416.90; High Country Linen \$1,742.81; Highline \$145.00; Idaho State Tax Commission \$3,400.00; Jackson Curbside Inc. \$1,825.00; Jackson Hole Childrens Museum \$3,750.00; Jackson Hole Law, Pc \$1,502.50; Jackson Hole News & Guide \$1,461.25; Jackson Hole Radio \$4,200.00; Johnson, Roberts & Associates \$55.00; Jorgensen, Arne Olaus \$616.00; Leitton, Peter \$1,240.00; Lepco \$246.00; Lincoln National Life \$1,225.59; Local Gov't Liability Pool \$1,000.00; Long Building Technologies Inc. \$236.00; Lower Valley Energy Inc \$30,940.84; Miller Sanitation \$2,352.00; Morillon-Arellano, Shellie \$591.00; Morton-Levinson, Hailey \$52.33; Motorola Inc. \$36,761.03; Nelson Engineering \$31,306.50; New West Building Company Inc. \$16,818.32; Normand, Jacob \$100.00; Northwest Parkway \$5.75; One Call Of Wyoming \$31.50; Operator 6 Executive Security LLC \$25,883.68; Raftelis \$23,924.66; Ranch Inn \$315.00; Roxanne Devries Robinson \$31.58; Scarlata, Susan \$71.00; Schechter, Jonathan \$748.26; Silver Creek Supply \$109.78; Silver Screen Advertising \$522.00; Silver Screen Advertising \$3.00; Silverstar \$2,313.27; Simon, Mardy \$390.00; Snake River MEP Complete, Inc \$3,848.48; Snake River Roasting \$195.80; Sosa, Nicoles \$2,000.00; Specialty Construction Supply \$1,888.00; Spectrum \$90.49; Spring Creek Animal Hospital \$1,391.83; St John's Hospital \$325.00; Stanard & Associates, Inc \$322.50; Stanford, James \$531.30; Starich, Patrick \$23,100.30; State Disbursement Unit \$25.05; Sullivan, Jack \$1,240.00; Swagit Productions, LLC \$1,775.00; Symbolarts, LLC \$1,331.00; Teton County Sheriff's-Jail \$2,376.00; Teton County Transfer Station \$121.00; Teton Trash Removal, Inc. \$45.50; Thyssen Krupp Elevator Corp. \$307.62; TMSC LLC \$1,710.00; Tony Matthews \$98.25; Trefonas Law, P.C. \$342.68; Ups \$47.29; Us Postal Service \$240.00; Visa ; Votruba, Ellare ; Watts Steam Store Rocky Mt. Inc ; West, Hodene \$500.00.

Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Ratification of Emergency Ordinance 1247. A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Arne Jorgensen to ratify Emergency Ordinance 1247 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO LIMIT MASS GATHERINGS TO IMMEDIATELY PRESERVE AND PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TIME FOR TERMINATION. Lea Colasuonno stated this ordinance may be repealed if Health Order #2 is issued. Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Town Council Meetings and Public Attendance. Tyler Sinclair, Lea Colasuonno, and Larry Pardee made staff comment and recommendations for reducing council meetings and limiting public attendance in council and board meetings related to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Discussion was held on the recommendations of adjusting agendas to only contain required and necessary items as were essential to town business, providing options for public participation through digital means, suspending some meeting rules, and putting prevention protocols into place such as social distancing and sanitation stations.

Discussion was held on limiting public attendance, planning commission items, and continuing to set meeting agendas for public business and not just essential items.

A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Arne Jorgensen to direct all Town of Jackson boards and bodies to adhere to the modifications to Open Meetings protocols as described in staff's recommendation and as discussed today until further notice, in order to prevent, and slow the potential spread of COVID-19 and therefore, to significantly reduce likelihood of placing overwhelming strain on the local health care and emergency service systems. Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Consideration of an Emergency Ordinance Putting Mitigation Measures in Place for Private Establishments. Lea Colasuonno made comment on this proposed ordinance as it related to Dr. Riddell's Health Order. There was discussion on waiting for the state's direction and not getting in front of Dr. Riddell.

Consideration of an Emergency Declaration. Lea made staff comment.

A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Jonathan Schechter to approve Resolution 20-02 Town of Jackson Emergency Declaration regarding the Coronavirus Pandemic.

RESOLUTION 20-02: TOWN OF JACKSON EMERGENCY DECLARATION REGARDING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus as a worldwide pandemic as of March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) stating that in "December 2019 a novel (new) coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 ("the virus") was first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, People's Republic of China, causing outbreaks of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) that has now spread globally. . . . The spread of COVID-19 within our Nation's communities threatens to strain our Nation's healthcare systems. . . . Additional measures . . . are needed to successfully contain and combat the virus in the United States." The National Emergency Declaration went on to declare that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Mark Gordon, the Governor of the State of Wyoming, declared a State of Emergency for the State of Wyoming, stating that on March 11, 2020, an individual within the State of Wyoming tested presumptive positive for COVID-19, and the State of Wyoming is experiencing a public health emergency in response to the evolving outbreak of the novel coronavirus as of March 11, 2020. The Declaration of a State of Emergency directs the Director of the Wyoming Department of Health to take all appropriate and necessary actions and in the Director's judgment any actions necessary to provide aid to those locations where there is a threat or danger to public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, since presently Wyoming has three confirmed cases of COVID-19, two in Sheridan, County, and one in Fremont County, Wyoming, and in Idaho, the bordering county of Teton County, Idaho, confirmed its first case of COVID-19 in Driggs, Idaho, at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Teton County, Wyoming, enacted its Emergency Operations Plan and have activated the Teton County Emergency Operations Center on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., the Jackson Town Council, met in a public meeting of the Town Council of Jackson Wyoming at the Town Hall, located at 150 East Earl Avenue, in Jackson, Wyoming, and considered declaring a state of emergency for Teton County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, for the reasons stated herein, the Jackson Town Council, desire to declare a state of emergency for Jackson, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, upon a unanimous vote of the Jackson Town Council, the Jackson Town Council unanimously approved a declaration of a state of emergency for Jackson, Wyoming, to begin on or about 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 2020, and to be in place and existing until such time as the Jackson Town Council determines that the emergency no longer exists.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that having duly met on March 16, 2020, at a duly scheduled meeting, which was properly noticed and open to the public, and having fully considered the matter at hand, the action of the Jackson Town Council is hereby ratified, affirmed, and declared that a state of emergency exists for Teton County, Wyoming, and will continue until such time as the Jackson Town Council determines that the emergency no longer exists.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 16th day of March, 2020.

Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Scheduling Town Council Meetings and Communication Briefings. Tyler Sinclair and Rich Ochs made staff comment. Discussion was held on scheduling any special meetings, trigger points for calling special meetings, streaming, responsibilities of staff, and timing of communication briefings.

Matters from Staff Related to COVID-19. START Bus Service Changes in Response to COVID-19. A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Jonathan Schechter that during the Coronavirus emergency, the START Board does not need to obtain approval from the Town Council to make service level changes resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and affirm the actions of the START Board to delegate its authority to the Town Manager and Transit Director. Mayor Muldoon called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried.

Matters from Town Council Related to COVID-19. Jim Stanford made comment on the nation's food supply and hoarding.

Adjourn. A motion was made by Hailey Morton Levinson and seconded by Arne Jorgensen to adjourn. The vote showed all in favor and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.
minutes:spb

TOWN OF JACKSON

ATTEST:

Pete Muldoon, Mayor

Sandra P. Birdyshaw, Town Clerk

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