

TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

FEBRUARY 26, 2024

JACKSON, WYOMING

The Jackson Town Council met in regular workshop session in the Town Hall Council Chambers, located at 150 East Pearl in Jackson, at 1:30 P.M. This meeting was held in-person and through the Zoom platform. Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

TOWN COUNCIL: Mayor Hailey Morton Levinson, Jonathan Schechter, and Jim Rooks. Arne Jorgensen and Jessica Sell Chambers were absent.

STAFF: Tyler Sinclair, Roxanne Robinson, Lea Colasuonno, Floren Poliseo, Paul Anthony, Michelle Weber, Tony Matthews, Tanya Anderson, Susan Scarlata, and Riley Taylor.

Municipal Code Update: Title 7, Animals. Lea Colasuonno made staff comment. Council held discussion with staff. Mike Halpin, Amy Gerard, and Kathy Clay made public comment. Michelle Weber made staff comment. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Jim Rooks to direct staff to update Title 7 for technical matters as identified by staff in this staff report. Mayor Morton Levinson called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Hailey Morton Levinson to direct staff to draft appropriate ordinance changes to allow chickens within the Town of Jackson and update the Town's bear regulations, as appropriate, vis-à-vis chickens. Mayor Morton Levinson called for the vote. The vote showed 2-1 with Jonathan Schechter and Hailey Morton Levinson in favor and Jim Rooks opposed. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Hailey Morton Levinson to direct staff to draft appropriate ordinance changes to allow honey bees within the Town of Jackson and update the Town's bear regulations as appropriate, vis-à-vis bee hives. The vote showed 2-1 with Jonathan Schechter and Hailey Morton Levinson in favor and Jim Rooks opposed. The motion carried.

Mayor Morton Levinson directed staff to place the issue of dogs within Town parks on the PI List for the 2025 year's retreat discussion. Staff will present a revised draft of Title 7 at a future Council workshop.

Wildlife Crossings Update. Tanya Anderson made staff comment. Chris Colligan made comment on behalf of Teton County Public Works. Council held discussion with staff. There was no public comment. No motion was made.

Council recessed at 3:06pm and reconvened at 3:11pm.

Wildlife Feeding Update. Tanya Anderson and Tyler Sinclair made staff comment. Council held discussion with staff. There was no public comment. A motion was made by Jim Rooks and seconded by Jonathan Schechter to consider the purchase of bear-resistant trash containers for Town facilities and spaces with educational decals at public parks, bus stops, and downtown Jackson according to the timeline presented in this report as part of the FY25 budget and for staff to return to Council with an update in 2025. Mayor Morton Levinson called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Matters from Mayor and Council. Council reflected on the WAM Winter Workshop and discussed the current legislative session.

Council Priorities and Upcoming Agendas. Tyler Sinclair reviewed Council's Workplan Calendar and Potential Initiative (PI) list. Council held discussion with staff.

Adjourn to Executive Session. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Jim Rooks to adjourn to executive session to consider matters concerning litigation to which the governing body is a party or proposed litigation to which the governing body may be a party in accordance with Wyoming State Statute 16-4-405(a)(iii). Mayor Morton Levinson called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried. The workshop adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

TOWN OF JACKSON

ATTEST:

Hailey Morton Levinson, Mayor

Riley Taylor, Town Clerk

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