

TOWN COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

JANUARY 21, 2025

JACKSON, WYOMING

The Jackson Town Council met in regular session in the Town Hall Council Chambers located at 150 East Pearl in Jackson, at 6:00 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 Arne Jorgensen, Jonathan Schechter, Devon Viehman, and Kevin Regan.

STAFF: Tyler Sinclair, Roxanne Robinson, Lea Colasuonno, Floren Poliseo, Michelle Weber, Paul Anthony, Brian Schilling, Susan Scarlata, and Riley Hovorka.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Jorgensen. The Land Acknowledgement was read by Mayor Jorgensen. Mayor Jorgensen read the Kelly Parcel Proclamation. Mayor Jorgensen introduced James Kahlo, Transit Operator, Wanna Johansson, Public Information Officer, and Andrew Bowen, Senior Planner.

Public Comment. Timothy Anderson and Rick Howe made public comment.

Consent Calendar. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve the consent calendar including items A-F as presented with the following motions:

- A. **Meeting Minutes.** To approve meeting minutes from the January 6, 2025 Regular Town Council Meeting.
- B. **Disbursements.** To approve the disbursements as presented. 842-NCPERS GROUP WYOMING \$80.00; ACE EQUIPMENT & SUPPLY \$13,543.37; ACE HARDWARE \$1,849.20; AFLAC \$1,647.35; ALDER ENVIRONMENTAL LLC \$760.00; ALPHAGRAPHICS \$1,478.16; AMAZON \$3,464.65; ANTLER MOTEL, INC. \$9,765.00; APPLE INC \$49.00; AT&T \$251.88; AXON ENTERPRISES, INC \$9,500.99; BADURA, KYLE \$100.00; BANK OF JACKSON HOLE \$45.00; BAUER, JAMISON \$55.80; BC VENTURES \$1,000.00; BEST BEST & KRIEGER \$1,928.50; BESTDRIVE IDAHO FALLS \$1,131.98; BIG R RANCH & HOME \$199.98; BISON LUMBER \$49.19; BLUE SPRUCE CLEANERS, INC \$219.08; BOLAND, ANITA \$2,200.00; BRIGGS, ERIC L \$194.35; BURKHOLDER, SHAWN \$2,039.63; CAMP ON INC \$13,300.00; CASELLE INC. \$1,973.00; CENTURYLINK \$107.63; CHARLIE'S PLUMBING OF JH \$1,920.00; CITY OF DRIGGS \$2,471.90; CLIMB WYOMING \$1,531.25; CMI - TECO \$468.88; CONRAD & BISCHOFF INC. \$56,638.17; CONTROL SYSTEM TECHNOLOGY, INC. \$18,784.50; CONWAY, LARS \$2,500.00; CORE & MAIN LP \$14,515.40; DEAN'S PEST CONTROL LLC \$270.00; DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF WYOMING \$9,693.30; DIRECT AUTOMOTIVE DIST \$171.21; DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT \$509.23; DIVISION OF VICTIM SERVICES \$300.00; E.R. OFFICE EXPRESS \$514.11; ELAN ONE CARD \$17,200.03; ENERGY 1 \$750.00; ENERGY LABORATORIES INC. \$385.00; ETNA TRADE PARK LLC \$4,062.00; EVANS CONSTRUCTION INC \$25,083.64; EXPOSURE SIGNS INC \$651.00; FALL RIVER PROPANE \$1,459.32; FERGUSON ENTERPRISES, INC \$97.77; FIRE SERVICES OF IDAHO \$6,567.55; FLEETPRIDE \$205.36; FSD INVESTMENTS, LLC \$14,975.00; GEMPLERS INC. \$289.97; GFOA \$460.00; GILLIG LLC \$21.56; GRIFFITH PARTNERSHIP LLC \$3,350.00; HAYES, BRANDY \$77.00; HERRING, JOHN \$175.00; HIGH COUNTRY LINEN \$2,177.13; HUB INTERNATIONAL \$3,281.00; IDAHO STATE TAX COMMISSION \$6,223.00; INTERMOUNTAIN SWEEPER CO. \$223.44; INTERSTATE BATTERY \$2,740.25; IVY OUTDOOR SERVICES LLC \$9,985.00; JACKSON GROUP LOCKBOX \$2,465.77; JACKSON HOLE NEWS & GUIDE \$13,141.65; JACKSON LUMBER INC \$1,554.90; JACKSON PAINT AND GLASS, INC. \$700.00; JONES SIMKINS \$23,740.00; JORGENSEN ASSOCIATES, PC \$18,722.10; KEENAN, PETER \$2,300.00; LENOVO (UNITED STATES) INC. \$36,788.92; LOCAL GOV'T LIABILITY POOL \$1,000.00; LOWER VALLEY ENERGY INC \$53,746.99; MARKMAN, JASON \$2,835.00; MSC INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY CO \$680.41; NAPA AUTO PARTS INC. \$1,841.93; OMNI SECURITY SYSTEMS INC \$242.00; ONE CALL OF WYOMING \$90.00; PITTS, SAMANTHA \$77.83; PLAINSMAN PRINTING & SUPPLY \$734.73; PLATT \$4,768.36; PREMIER TRUCK- SALT LAKE CITY \$8,839.47; R & A SAFETY LLC \$633.50; RAMANATHAN, BRINDA \$2,500.00; RIDGELINE EXCAVATION INC \$105,307.85; RUI INC. DBA VILLAGE GARDNER \$198.00; SECOND MOUNTAIN LLC \$6,000.00; SERVPRO OF JACKSON HOLE \$12,914.36; SHORELINE CONSULTING \$2,272.72; SILLIMAN, JEFF \$90.00; SILVER CREEK SUPPLY \$117.39; SILVERSTAR \$3,363.33; SMITH POWER PRODUCTS, INC. \$480.08; SNAKE RIVER MEP COMPLETE, INC \$952.95; SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTION SUPPLY \$865.18; SPRING CREEK ANIMAL HOSPITAL \$736.45; SPSC POA - SOUTH PARK SERVICES CTR POA \$303.82; STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY \$10,973.31; STEPHENS, TALON \$77.83; STONE, KIRK \$3,087.00; SUNRISE ENVIRONMENTAL \$182.82; SYMBOLARTS, LLC \$135.00; TAPCO \$46,041.00; TETON COUNTY CLERK \$570,414.66; TETON

COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE \$82,486.35; TETON COUNTY-FUND 10 \$82,903.03; TETON COUNTY-FUND 13 \$45,647.31; TETON COUNTY-FUND 19 \$69.92; TETON MOTORS INC \$438.28; TETON ROPE ACCESS AND SERVICES, LLC \$1,400.00; TETON TRASH REMOVAL, INC. \$114.00; THE AFTERMARKET PARTS COMPANY, LLC \$497.00; THERMO FLUIDS, INC. \$281.75; THOMSON WEST \$1,209.20; THYSSEN KRUPP ELEVATOR CORP. \$3,698.36; T-MOBILE \$31.15; TMSO LLC \$3,524.10; UCM DIGITAL HEALTH, INC \$864.50; US HOMES LLC \$1,700.00; VALLEY WEST ENGINEERING, PC \$675.00; VERIZON WIRELESS \$7,725.65; VISA \$11,643.34; VISION SERVICE PLAN - (WY) \$1,831.34; WAM \$265.00; WBC PROPERTIES \$8,600.00; WESTECH \$17,986.01; WESTERN CHARTERS AND TOURS, LLC \$78,740.00; WESTERN STATE \$1,380.15; WHITE GLOVE CLEANING, INC. \$10,860.22; WILSON, JOHN \$2,200.00; WILSON, JOSH \$100.00; WRIGHT, JASON \$155.66; WSP USA INC. \$25,388.75; WY WORKERS' SAFETY & COMP \$25,609.99; WYOMING BUSINESS ALLIANCE \$275.00; WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY \$748.49; WYOMING LAW ENFORCEMENT \$155.00; WYOMING RETIREMENT SYSTEM \$191,894.89; WYOMING WATER QUALITY & POLLUTION CONTR \$360.00; YELLOW IRON EXCAVATION, LLC \$3,235.00; ZORO TOOLS, INC. \$811.89

- C. **December Municipal Court Report.** To accept the December Municipal Court Report into record.
- D. **First Amendment to Lease Agreement Approval for Snow King Radio Tower.** To approve the First Amendment to Lease Agreement with American Towers LLC and authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents, subject to minor changes by staff.
- E. **Naming Official Depositories 2025.** To designate Bank of Jackson Hole, a division of NBH Bank as the official depository for the Town of Jackson for 2025.
- F. **Cooperative Agreement with WYDOT for Broadway Slab Replacements and Sidewalks.** To approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the Cooperative Agreement Between the Wyoming Department of Transportation and the Town of Jackson, subject to minor changes by staff.

There was no public comment on the consent calendar. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Public Art Allocation and Annual Plan. Susan Scarlata made staff comment. Council held discussion with staff. Carrie Gerraci answered questions on behalf of JH Public Art. There was no public comment. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to allocate \$244,377 into a Public Art Fund for art enrichment. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve \$107,500 for the FY25 Public Art Plan. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Pathway Safety Scoping Report. Brian Schilling made staff comment. Council held discussion with staff. Katherine Dowson made public comment. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to direct staff to participate in Friends of Pathways process to develop a community-wide plan to maximize pathway and bike safety. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Resolution 25-05: Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Amendment #2. Kelly Thompson made staff comment. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve Resolution 25-05 adopting amendments to the fiscal year 2025 budget as presented. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Ordinances. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to read ordinances in short title. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Ordinance P. An Ordinance Extending the Term of the Franchise Granted to CenturyLink.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1243 EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO QWEST CORPORATION D/B/A CENTURYLINK QC ON BEHALF OF ITSELF TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLYING SERVICE TO THE TOWN OF JACKSON AND GRANTED ON DECEMBER 18, 2019.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JACKSON, WYOMING.

There was no public comment. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve Ordinance P, an ordinance extending the term of the franchise granted to CenturyLink, at third reading and designate it Ordinance 1434. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Ordinance Q. An Ordinance Regarding Riding on Sidewalks and Motor-Assisted Devices.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 10.14.010, DEFINITIONS, AND 10.14.040, RIDING ON SIDEWALKS, REGARDING MOTOR-ASSISTED DEVICES OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF JACKSON, WYOMING.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JACKSON, WYOMING:

There was no public comment. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve Ordinance Q on second reading. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Ordinance R. An Ordinance Amending Water Rates for the Commercial Filling Station.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 13, UTILITIES, CHAPTER 13.04, WATER SYSTEM, SECTION 13.04.300, WATER RATES, OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF JACKSON.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JACKSON, WYOMING:

Floren Poliseo made staff comment. There was no public comment. Council held discussion. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve Ordinance R on first reading. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Matters from Mayor and Council. Council discussed public comments regarding performers.

Council discussed interview questions that will be asked of Council vacancy finalists. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter as seconded by Devon Viehman to approve the interview questions as presented:

1. What are the main skills or experience that you would bring to the Council?
2. If appointed, what decisions or issues would you like to see the Council address?
3. As you look out over the next 5-10 years, what kinds of changes, if any, do you see occurring to Jackson Hole? What role, if any, should the town government play in affecting those changes and their consequences?
4. There have been many discussions about the challenges we face with the Town of Jackson budget. Please share your thoughts on the Town's budget in the context of process, revenues and expenses.
5. The Town of Jackson is asked to provide a variety of services, whether directly (e.g., through police, public works, planning, and other town departments) or indirectly (e.g. through our funding of human services agencies). The costs of these services have been rising faster than town revenues, putting strains on the town's budget. How should we prioritize our expenditures?
6. Stewardship is frequently used when discussing community goals. Please share your thoughts on stewardship relative to our landscape as well as community. Specific examples of where we are succeeding and where we are challenged would be helpful.
7. Is there a limit on how many people can live in Jackson Hole? Regardless of your answer, how should we think about the consequences of further population growth?
8. Can we build our way out of our affordable housing problem? If not, how should we go about building affordable housing units and prioritizing who lives in them?
9. In relationship to community housing, what are your thoughts on opposition to creating deed-restricted housing within existing neighborhoods, and opposition to deed-restricted housing due to impacts on our environment, traffic, schools, or similar factors? Do you have any thoughts on the benefits of housing community members locally?
10. (statement by Mayor to Council, inviting follow up on previous answers) Are there any questions that Council would like to ask relative to the responses to the application questions?

11. Do you have any other comments or points that you would like to add that you feel would help us in our deliberation?

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

Town Manager’s Report. Tyler Sinclair made staff comment. The Town Manager’s report contained updates on Town of Jackson employee housing inventory, temporary sign permits, and Tree City USA application. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to approve the Town Manager’s Report. Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

Executive Session. A motion was made by Jonathan Schechter and seconded by Devon Viehman to adjourn to executive session pursuant to Wyoming Statute § 16-4-405(a)(vii). Mayor Jorgensen called for the vote. The vote showed all in favor. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

TOWN OF JACKSON

ATTEST:

Arne Jorgensen, Mayor

Riley Hovorka, Town Clerk

Minutes: rh. Publish JH News & Guide: January 29, 2025