

## HARLOWTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 13 2014

Harlowton Library Conference Room

A regular meeting of the Harlowton City Council held May 13, 2014 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes of the April 22, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

Northwestern Energy sent information to the City Council as requested by the Council at the April 8, 2014 meeting. The information explains the detailed acreage of the area that is included in the approximate 20 foot easement. Northwestern Energy is planning on installing overhead power, however, they did not provide a plat map. Tomlinson asked if Northwestern Energy was going to remove trees to install the power, Mayor Sell stated that they planned on doing some minimal brush clearing but no major tree removal.

John Anderson made a motion to grant a permanent easement to Northwestern Energy as requested by Brad Miller. Bryan Tomlinson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The public as has asked for the Decay Ordinance to be enforced by the Harlowton City Council. Mayor Sell wants this to be handled by citizens making a formal complaint to the City Council, or at the City Office. The complaint would then be investigated and if it is considered decay, it would then be turned over to the city attorney to be handled. The council was in agreement with Mayor Sell's suggestion and the decay complaints will now be handled this way.

The City of Harlowton has been asked to adopt the updated Wheatland County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan, this allows the city to be eligible for FEMA funds in the event of a disaster.

Jim Kalitowski made a motion to adopt Resolution #2014-9: City of Harlowton, Montana Resolution Adopting Wheatland County Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan 2013 Update. John Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Bill Jones has resigned from the Library Board, Mayor Sell has appointed Dane Elwood to replace Jones' position.

The City Wide Clean-up day was successful, the high school and grade school helped clean up two pickup loads worth of garbage and John Anderson, Ron Teig and Jim Kalitowski were present to help at the dump on clean-up days.

Mayor Sell thanked John Anderson, Ron Teig and Bryan Tomlinson who were there to help hold signs, flag etc. with the big water break on the highway Sunday, May 4.

City Superintendent Ian Reed reported that the crew has been working on clean-up day preparation, fixing the dugouts at the ball field, mowing grass, fixing water breaks, and hoping to get back to fixing streets shortly. Parts for the West End Well should be in Thursday and they are hoping to be working on the well the following week.

Mayor Sell reported that Debbie Davis received a \$20,750 grant from the Bair Family Trust she put in for, to redo the ceiling in the library to match the ceiling they put in the conference room.

Jim Kalitowski made a motion to pay the bills, check # 19099-19125. Bryan Tomlinson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Present:

Jim Kalitowski

Joe Brouillette

Bryan Tomlinson

John Anderson

City Employees Present:

Ian Reed

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Jeff Sell, Mayor

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Jayme Colby, Clerk