

Town council meeting March 3. 2025

Present: Mayor Chris Lelle; Councilmen, Tommy Buchanan, Eric Dailey, Doug Koestel, Sharon Johnson, Sally Brown, Clerk, Kathy Bridges

Visitors: Beth Buchanan, Scott Morgan, Mason Orr

The meeting opened at 7:00 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor asked for a motion on the Feb. 24 minutes. Sally Brown made the motion to approve, Doug Koestel seconded, and the motion passed by 4 votes. Sharon Johnson abstained from voting since she was absent from the meeting.

The first item on the agenda was the estimate for CPL to prepare road work bids. The Mayor said the company was still working on an estimate.

Next was updating the purchasing policy. A motion was made by Doug Koestel to allow the Mayor to make purchases of \$10,000 or less without the council approval. In the event of an emergency or an issue that could lead to the harm of any individual, the Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem, in the absence of the Mayor, may make purchases of \$10,000 or less without the consent of the council. Purchases over \$10,000 must be approved by the council. The clerk and the town's maintenance employee may make purchases of up to \$500 without the consent of the council. Purchases over \$500 must be approved by the Mayor or council. Sally Brown seconded the motion, and the motion passed 4-1 with Tommy Buchanan voting Nay.

Koestel made a motion to add playground update to the agenda and discussion of financials. Sally Brown seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Third item on the agenda was hiring CPL for code enforcement at the rate of \$95-\$125/hour. Sally Brown made the motion to approve the services of CPL for code enforcement, Sharon Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Doug Koestel gave an update on the playground. He planned to conduct a survey for users to give input on what they want added. He gave prices on various additions. The Mayor suggested forming a committee of kids and or parents to make suggestions.

The council discussed the financials and planned to have a work session at the end of March.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.