

Staff & Councilmember Reports

Parks and Recreation

Ms. Delay reported the "Summer Somewhere" Cornhole tournament was scheduled for next Saturday, February 25th. Hayden Parks and Recreation (HPR) sponsorships are up 23% from 2016. Ember Pizza (the local food truck) will be there to serve food. HPR is staffing a table at the Elementary Health Fair. Selena Frentress is working on opening a Teen Center which is going in at the commercial building across from 3rd St Town Park. Staff is working with SD RE-11 on relocation of the ball parks at the elementary (assuming the school moves forward with re-construction) In the current new school building design they do not have a place for the baseball fields. The project plan does have funding to relocate the fields stated Ms. Delay, we just need to find a place to move them too. HPR on March 17th is planning a Chili Cook Off at the Brewery. On April 8th is the Pee Wee Wrestling tournament.

Public Works

Staff has the final two interviews for the Public Works (PW) Director on Tuesday, February 21st. All three finalist have engineer degrees and have worked on public works types of projects. PW received ten (10) applications for the PW worker; three (3) were selected for interviews and two accepted. PW is beginning prep work for the WTP filters painting project. The Comprehensive CIP proposals for the water and wastewater treatment plants and infrastructure are due March 6th and staff will bring a recommendation to Council March 16th. The Town received a compliment on how nice the streets looked.

Administration

Town Hall internet was down on Monday and staff was sent home in the afternoon. Service was back up at 11pm that same day but a day of service was lost as a result. CliftonLarsenAllen (CLA) could not get into the system as a result and complete the financials so those will be tabled tonight and sent via email to the Council with a summary. Mathew Mendisco, Town Manager, registered as a member of the Economic Development Council of Colorado (EDCC) and applied for scholarships for a 2 day course on creating an economic development plan for rural communities and a course in May on expansion of economic development planning. The conferences could be almost free with receipt of the scholarships. Mathew Mendisco was added to the development committee for the Yampa Valley Housing Authority.

Office of Town Clerk

Day to day business is running smoothly. Kallie Deatherage Bell had her son and she is doing well. Town Clerk provided Town Councilmembers information regarding CML training schedule and asked them to confirm if they are receiving emails from CML for CML training? Some confirmed they were Ms. Johnson stated that CML provides informative resources for municipality staff and elected officials and supported Councilmembers attending the CML conference for Board training. To date the records project is in its infancy stage of reviewing computer applications and files for destruction. The addressing project is in progress and will be completed in the next couple of months.

Planning

The Town received the Ace Hardware Site Plan Application. The application is in the review process and should be at the Planning Commission (PC) on March 23rd if all goes well. The Cobblestone Inn had a pre-application meeting and staff provided site plan feedback. The Town passed a Resolution for this development with an incentive package. These included tax incentives for lodging taxes, sales taxes, and property taxes. No tap fees discounts were noted and Council member Hagins confirmed it was just tax incentives. Staff stated that they would support the resolution as written with the incentives should the hotel project move forward. Staff noted that a hotel would be a big step for the Town.

Police

Chief Tuliszewski reported Officer Hockaday was in training specifically police leadership and team/organizational leadership. The goal is to have all officers trained in the leadership courses. An officer was injured in arrest control training and is recovering but may be out 4-5 weeks. We have had a couple of problems at the high school with some bullying. HPD has addressed it and the parents are appreciative of the stance the HPD has taken.

Councilmembers

Staff reports will continue at the end of the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Robinson called the regular meeting of the Hayden Town Council to order at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson, Councilmembers McMurray, Redmond, Forrest and Hagins present. Also present were Town Manager, Mathew Mendisco, Police Chief, Greg Tuliszewski, Recreation Coordinator, Jill Delay and Town Clerk, Sharon Johnson.

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| Opening Prayer | Mayor Pro Tem Robinson offered the opening prayer. |
| Pledge of Allegiance | Mayor Pro Tem Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance. |
| Minutes –
February 2, 2017 | Councilmember Redmond moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting held on February 16, 2017. Councilmember McMurray seconded. Roll call vote. Councilmember McMurray – aye. Councilmember Redmond – aye. Councilmember Forrest – abstain (absent). Councilmember Hagins – aye, Mayor Pro Tem Robinson – aye. Motion carried. |
| Consideration of Bill
Payment Voucher dated
February 8, 2017 | Councilmember Hagins moved to approve the bill payment voucher dated January 11, 2017 in the amount of \$82,645.73. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson seconded. Roll call vote. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson – aye. Councilmember Hagins – aye. Councilmember Forrest – aye. Councilmember Redmond – aye. Councilmember McMurray – aye. Motion carried. |
| Public Comments | None. |
| Proclamations/
Presentations | None. |
| Consent Items | None. |
| Old Business | |
| Decision: Update on CIP
process and Authorization
for Application to the State
of Colorado Department of
Local Affairs (DOLA) for an
Administrative Grant in the
amount of \$25,000.00 | Councilmember Forrest moved to authorize staff to apply to the State of Colorado Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) for an Administrative Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. Councilmember McMurray seconded. Roll call vote. Councilmember Forrest – aye. Councilmember McMurray – aye. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson – aye. Councilmember Hagins – aye. Councilmember Redmond – aye. Motion carried. |

New Business

Discussion: Budget Goals
and Clarification

Mathew Mendisco reviewed the budget workshop for the 2107 Budget and asked the Councilmembers to comment on what each of the four top goals identified means to them.

Financial Sustainability

Councilmember Hagins: Provide all the current services to the community while maintaining appropriate fund balances and expenses for the long term.

Councilmember Forrest: Maintain current services and manage the budget meaning, we live within our means.

Councilmember Redmond: Meeting our statutory requirements while being good stewards for the Town so future Councils and the Citizens have financial means to continue providing those services.

Councilmember McMurray: I agree with everything that has been said and I would add that we should be saving more money in our reserves for CIP issues so we are in a healthier place financially.

Mayor Pro Tem Robinson: I agree with everything but would add that we should be careful to understand the character and concerns of the community so that we are balancing the needs of the community will not over extending ourselves.

Infrastructure Planning

Councilmember Hagins-It means we have a long range plan on what needs to be done for the future and we are planning appropriately.

Councilmember Forrest- We have a CIP that is 5, 10, and 20 year plan that helps us determine the life span of the major components and when we should plan to replace them. Councilmember Redmond- I'm feeling better about the planning for actual infrastructure costs and I think we will be ready for the rate study discussion. But this to me means we are getting the basic inventory of assets and infrastructures in Town and planning financially to support them.

Councilmember McMurray- I agree with everything and would add that we as Council should see the plan and then let that plan help us during the budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Robinson-Agree with what everyone has said. It also means taking proactive steps with the CIP. We must be tempered and understand the history and consumption rates and being responsible for the infrastructure based on the facts.

Public Safety

Councilmember Hagins-This means things like crosswalks, safe routes for kids to get to schools, and having enough officers to ensure the public is safe and people are comfortable with where they live.

Councilmember Forrest- It means street lights, money to pay light bills, and working with our partners to ensure we are providing the basics like crosswalks on Hwy 40. It means keeping our schools safe.

Councilmember Redmond- Everything that we are discussing is tied in and sometimes it comes down to difficult decisions and having the courage to do what's right even when it's the hardest thing to do. Councilmember McMurray- Our job is to keep the people safe. But, in Hayden we need to preserve the environment where children play outside without supervision for the most part

and we keep the small town character. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson-This is a big one and agree with others. I came to Council with an agenda about the police station, but now I understand our financial restraints and I understand how and why it was done even if I don't agree with how it was done. I think the thing that is left out is community support includes recognizing the police department and would like to see more recognition going forward. I want to explore more ways to be more supportive of the Police Department and continue to find ways we are can integrate our police into the community. They keep us safe and we need to keep them safe as well.

Economic Development

Councilmember Hagins- I would like to see the Town of Hayden start promoting itself as a safe community with a small town feel. I would like to advertise to draw residents and businesses. I would also like to see some airport businesses that would benefit YVRA and the Town of Hayden. Bottom line is we are a great town to raise your children and we need to sell that asset.

Councilmember Forrest- We needs to provide a business friendly environment. However, we don't cut plant investment fees (tap fees), but make the process fair and we give realistic concessions to help start businesses. We help provide neutral location for base business in our historical buildings and warehousing in the industrial park. We make Hayden a welcome place to be. We don't want it to be a residential community only where everyone has to commute to work. We want to provide an environment where residents work, live, and play here.

Councilmember Redmond- To me this is about streamline the processes and providing education packages for potential businesses which are understandable and plainly spelled out. We need to be an open door and provide a business friendly atmosphere. I am not saying this comes through concessions but we need to be a partner.

Councilmember McMurray- We need to sell Hayden as a viable neighborhood. We need to focus more on the affordable housing. That doesn't mean the most affluent neighborhood, and we don't want that, we want middle class families. We should also enhance main street and make it a draw. I am for incentive packages for new businesses, offer them something to be in Hayden rather than somewhere else. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson- I don't like the term "bedroom community" because this is my home; however, the commute from Hayden to Steamboat or Craig is less than most commutes in Denver and safer and we need to promote that more. We need the rooftops and we get that by promoting our great schools and our great community. Our technical schools have been a great asset and the wholesome environment has been the draw for Hayden. Schools will bring rooftops which will bring businesses. Diversity in business is huge as well. We need high speed internet service as well. Our infrastructure a key. Economic Development needs to be sustainable We don't want to give too many incentives and if we do they have to be across the board. We need to make a good level playing field for everyone and we Need a clean process that is predictable. It will encourage people to come.

John St Pierre, 528 E Washington, Hayden, CO. One of the things we should promote is that its \$15,000.00 a mile in savings for housing between here and Steamboat Springs. We should advertise Hayden as an alternate to Steamboat

Springs for families. Also I was approached by a retail owner to open a place in Hayden and I realized that we are running out of commercial space. Need to look at where we can put additional commercial/retail interests. I would like to see us clean up some properties on the main through fare.

Tammie Delaney, 198 S Lincoln: We have a great tool in haydencolorado.com. We need to be sure it is up and running and we need to promote our events. The Fairgrounds and Dry Creek Park are also great assets.

Decision: Review Community Assessment Program and Authorization for Application to State of Colorado grant for Economic Development Plan

Mathew Mendisco, Town Manager, Town of Hayden has a lot of different plans (comprehensive, parking, wayfinding) and need something that pulls all the plans together and produces a business plan that the Town can execute on and is realistic. The grant providers believe our application is a good one and will work with the type of towns they are seeking. If it doesn't happen, staff still plans to move forward with developing a strategic plan.

Councilmember Hagins moved to direct staff to apply for the State of Colorado Community Assessment Program Grant for Economic Development Plan. Councilmember Redmond seconded. Roll call vote. Councilmember Forrest – aye. Mayor Pro Tem Robinson – aye. Councilmember McMurray – aye. Councilmember Hagins – aye. Councilmember Redmond – aye. Motion carried.

Discussion: Review Leased Water Rights with Stagecoach Reservoir and Yamcolo Reservoir

Mathew Mendisco, Town Manager, presented the Town Council with information regarding the water storage at Stagecoach Reservoir and Yamcolo Reservoir. He stated that the Council had asked staff to review these agreements with two questions in mind. The first question is will the water get to hayden if called. The second question is if the water is called and will actually get to our intake do we really need it anyway given the Town's water rights position. In both agreements as far as question one, delivery, given the transit loss rate the water would be delivered with minimal loss. . In regards to the second question of need, that is more of a business decision by the Town Council as to their preference. Staff recommendation would be to keep the leased water rights. After discussion the Town Council agreed the Town should keep the water rights.

Discussion: Road Bond Issue and Future Options

Mathew Mendisco, Town Manager, wants to hear from the Town Council on whether they want to place the Road Bond Issue on the General Election Ballot for 2017. If so staff needs to start planning now. After discussions about promotion of the election, how it would be implemented, and the process Mayor Pro Tem Robinson suggested the Council and staff have a work session to help develop a game plan either way. Mathew Mendisco indicated Elhers would help work through what tax to request and education process along the way. Town Council decided on February 28, 2017 Workshop.

Decision: Review and Accept Un-Audited Financial Statement dated January 31, 2017

Postponed until next meeting due to delay in receiving the Financial Statement.

Pulled Consent Items None.

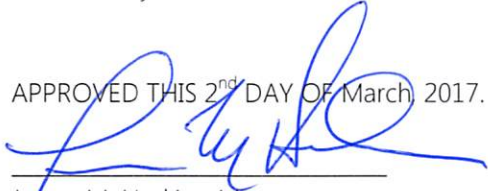
Staff and Councilmember Reports Continued Councilmember McMurray-Highway Bar and Grill offered to provide information on the lodging industry in Hayden, CO for the hotel application. Councilmember Hagins- Is the Amazon Account a government account or a business account? Staff stated it was an amazon Prime tax exempt account.

Mayor Pro-tem Robinson – I would like to thank the staff for all that they are doing.

Executive Session None.

Adjournment Mayor Pro Tem Robinson adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Recorded by: 
Sharon Johnson, Town Clerk

APPROVED THIS 2nd DAY OF March, 2017.

James M. Haskins, Mayor

