

City Council Meeting  
March 11, 2025

Present: Mayor John Williams, Councilmembers Jack Rosander, Wayne Dudley and Rose Hanser

Absent: Councilmember Greg Koczur

Also Present: Planning/Zoning/Code Official Kami Egan, City Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards and City Attorney Michelle Sullivan

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. City Clerk/Treasurer Richards completed Roll Call.

**Consent Agenda:**

Councilmember Hanser moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Dudley seconded the motion. No discussion. No comments from the public received. Motion carried with all in favor.

- Minutes of 2/25/25 Regular Meeting
- Claims #31417-31475                   \$77,175.28
- Payroll Summary 02/28/25           \$120,502.79
- Journal Voucher Nos. 2024-09 & 2024-10

**Department Reports:**

Reports were presented by Planning/Zoning/Code Official Egan, City Attorney Sullivan and City Clerk/Treasurer Richards.

**Mayor's Communications:**

Public meeting tomorrow night at City Hall with Representative Parry regarding current state legislative activities.

Crack Sealing bids were received and opened last week. Recommendation for award will be on the next City Council meeting agenda.

Delay on the Water Main Replacement from Cedar Avenue to the Wastewater Treatment Plant due to BNSF. Waiting for right-of-way/easement approval.

Mayor Williams will be out of state next week.

**Public Comment & Participation:**

Doug Whitney, Municipal Infrastructure Consulting, updated the City Council on public works projects. An engineering task order is in the works for paving at the Colstrip Cemetery. Doug explained the justification for the change order on the council's agenda with COP Construction.

Jim Atchison, Executive Director of Southeastern Montana Development Corporation, reported on the Building Resilient Economies in Coal Communities Forum in Washington DC he recently attended. While there he also met with congressional delegates from Montana. Construction should begin next month on the Business Innovation Center with a groundbreaking ceremony to be held. Jim will be attending the Coal Board meeting later this week.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**New Business:**

Councilmember Dudley moved to approve Change Order No. 1 to the North End Water Loop contract with COP Construction for an increase in the amount of \$60,827.79.

Councilmember Rosander seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilmember Rosander had some questions on the problems encountered during the project.

Public Comment: None.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer