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TOWN OF BENNETT

REGULAR MONTHLY TOWN BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 13, 2024, at 6:30 PM

CALLED MEETING TO ORDER:

Supervisor Wesley Koehler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Other officers in attendance were Timothy Haskins, Supervisor, Tamara Johnson, Town Clerk and Stephanie Lintula, Town Treasurer. Absent: Chairman Brett Hunter. Notices of the meeting were posted at the Town Hall, Recycle Center, and the Town Website on Monday, May 6, 2024.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the April 16, 2024, monthly town board meeting were read by clerk. *Tim Haskins made a motion to approve the minutes as read, and Wes Koehler seconded. Motion carried.*

APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT:

Moved by Timothy Haskins, seconded by Wesley Koehler, to pay the bills, Checks 19675-19675, Payroll and Withholding payments for April and May. Motion Carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer: Stephanie Lintula gave her report. The account balances on April 30, 2024, were – Checking Account: \$24,813.26, Money Market: \$169,065.64, ICS Account: \$0.01. The accounts balanced with the bank as of April 30, 2024. *Moved by Tim Haskins, seconded by Wes Koehler, to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.*

Fire Department: The Fire Chief, Travis Theien, was not available.

Highway Department: The highway department and the road evaluation reports were read by the clerk.

Constable Jay Burfield had nothing to report this month.

Douglas County: Nothing

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election Security: Discussed the pros and cons of hiring a deputy with other towns to have an officer in the vicinity on election day.
2. Budget Amendment – *None*
3. Review Permits: No action needed.
4. Correspondence – We moved to allow the concealed carry class to be held at the Bennett Town Hall. Seconded by Tim. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) Rick Hartzell commented that the Summer and Minnesuing Acres roads need to be graded. He questioned the quality of the gravel we have been purchasing as it seems to turn to mud. He suggested that we bid out the gravel for 2025. There was discussion that it may not be the quality of the gravel but it does seem to disappear into the road.
- 2) Larry Kappes questioned the need to remove the large trees on Summer Road as there has never been an incident with them in 30 years. Wes explained the town holds liability for trees that are left in the right-of-way.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. was made by Tim Haskins, seconded by Wes Koehler. Motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted,
Tamara Johnson, Town Clerk*