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MINUTES Town of Avoca Regular Council Meeting February 11, 2020

Call to order Meeting was called to order by Mayor Whitehorn

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of silence

Public forum (Agenda item): Kathy Henson addressed the council concerning bike races/events. She is asking the council to deny any biking events that use the Town of Avoca streets.

Council Roll Call – by Rec/Tres. Barnes Present: Mayor Robert Whitehorn Rec/Tres. Nanette Barnes ALD: Jay King, Oscar Alvarenga, Kathy Hansen & Jordan Sullivan Absent: ALD: Kathy Miller Staff Present: Town Attorney: Ed McClure Zoning Official: Tim DePue Guests Kathy Henson Roy Henson

Jeannie Rollins Ben Craig

Declaration of quorum Mayor Whitehorn declared a quorum was present

Consent of Agenda

Ald. Hansen made a motion for consent of agenda. Seconded by Ald. King. Discussion; none. All approved. Motion carried.

Consent of minutes for council meeting

January 14, 2020; Ald. King made a motion to accept the January minutes as written. Seconded by Ald. Alvarenga. Discussion; none. All approved. Motion carried.

Financial statement

January 2019; Financial statement presented by Rec/Tres. Barnes. Ald. Hansen made a motion to accept the January Financials as presented. Seconded by Ald. King. Discussion; none. All approved. Motion carried.

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Staff Report - Rec/Tres. Barnes

1. Avoca Fire & Rescue

a. Monthly Report; January 2020; 35 Calls (EMS: 24 Fire: 10, Misc.: 0, MVA: 1, Roads: 0)

2. NEBCO EMS

a. None

- 3. Facebook & Website a. Updated with minutes and resolutions
- 4. Business Permits (16 Renewal & 0 New) as of January 31, 2020

Assembled Products/Jotto Desk Avoca One Stop Avoca Tire Shop Chrysalis Studios Dollar General Goodwood John Zito Landscaping K & K Auto Sales Kimball Automotive Lamar Outdoor (Formally Ashby Outdoor) Latham Cabinets Pinnacle Lawns Two Feathers Transport Two Sisterz Liquor Williams Tree Service Wingate Outdoor Advertising

5. Building Permits – as of January 31, 2020 a. None

Committee Reports:

- 1. *Planning commission Chairmen Alvarenga* a. None
- Board of Zoning Adjustments- Chairmen Alvarenga

 a. Variance granted; Lori Richardson 407 Sheppard Road
- 3. Zoning and code enforcement Tim DePue
 - a. Letter sent to Miller, Franklin, Nadine Pruitt & William Richard III 340 Prairie Creek Road; Zoning Official DePue states he hasn't seen any improvements and neither he nor the Town have had any response back from property owners.
- 4. Inspections
 - a. Committee members met and discussed inspections on January 22nd. Rec/Tres. Barnes & Mayor Whitehorn to meet with BC Risk Management; Mark Trollinger on Feb 13th to go over details to be presented to council members at the March Council meeting for final approval.
- 5. Streets Ald. Sullivan
 - a. Culvert End of Woods Lodge Road; Ald. Sullivan informed council the culvert has been cleaned out with drainage to the creek. The county has placed a guard rail and concrete inlet to the culverts. The county will repair the ditch. The council has approved purchasing culverts for APAC's driveway at approximately two thousand dollars (\$2000.00).
- 6. Park-Ald. Hansen
 - a. Fences; Ald. Hansen informed council members she received an estimate of twenty-one thousand, five hundred and seventeen dollars (\$21,517.00) from Big R Construction to replace/repair the wooden fences around the parks. A motion was made by Ald. Hansen to approve twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) for Big R Construction to repair/replace the wooden fences around the town parks. Seconded by Ald. King. Discussion: none. Roll call; Ald. King; yes, Ald. Sullivar; yes, Ald. Alvarenga; yes and Ald. Hansen: yes. All approved. Motion carried.

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b. Bike Races; Ben Cline was asked to speak on behalf of the Avoca Spring Bike Racing Series. A motion was made by Ald. Hansen to allow the Avoca Spring Bike Racing Series to use the Avoca streets March 25, April 8, April 22, May 6, and May 20th. Seconded by Ald. King. Discussion: was held between, Council members, Ben Cline and Kathy Henson. Roll call; Ald. King; yes, Ald. Sullivan; no, Ald. Alvarenga; yes and Ald. Hansen: yes. Motion carried.

7. Personnel – Ald. King a. None

Old Business

1. None

New Business

1. None

Mayor for the Good of the Town; Mayor Whitehorn informed council members he hired Sand Dollar Maintenance to repair the lighting fixtures inside and outside of town hall. Sand Dollar Maintenance also installed another spot light out front of the building where a Safe Zone sign will be placed for residents to have a safe internet purchase and child custody exchange place.

Public forum (Non-Agenda Item); 3 minutes

None

Announcements

- 1. Planning Meeting scheduled for February 18, 2020
- 2. Town Hall closed on February 17, 2020 for Presidents Day
- 3. Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2020
- 4. Board of Zoning meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Ald. King and seconded by Ald. Alvarenga to adjourn meeting at 7:14 pm. Discussion: none. All approved. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Nanette Barnes Recorder-Treasurer

Approved/ Mayor Robert Whitehorn

Attest

Recorder/Treasurer/Nanette Barnes