**Dutton Town Council Meeting Minutes**

**March 4, 2019**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Fleshman called the meeting of February 4, 2019 to order at 7:02 pm at the Dutton Town Hall.

**Present**

**Mayor** Susan Fleshman; **Councilpersons**: Bob Dauwalder, Frank P. Klein; Pat Bayala **Public Works Director /Finance Officer/Clerk** Jeremiah Kjensmo; **Assistant Clerk** Becky Hagen. **Councilwoman** Candace Ellsworth was excused due to illness.

**Public Comment**

There was no public.

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Motion by Councilman Klein, Second by Councilwoman Bayala to approve the Minutes of the February 4, 2019 Town Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**Current Bills**

Motion by Councilman Klein, Second by Councilman Dauwalder, to pay the current bills as presented and those yet to come in. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Status Update**

Finance Officer/Clerk Jeremiah Kjensmo discussed that the AFR was finally accepted by the Government after numerous corrections before the March 1st deadline for penalties. Because of the errors arising from ClerkBooks, the W2’s were run several times to correct errors. The budget was unaccepted because it was shown as draft status on the Government website. This has been corrected and accepted.

**Draw Package**

* Motion by Councilman Klein, Second by Councilwoman Bayala to approve the WRDA draw #10 in the amount of $3,716.50. Motion carried unanimously.
* Motion by Councilman Klein, Second by Councilwoman Bayala to approve the SRF A #6 draw in the amount of $37,177.00. Motion carried unanimously.
* Motion by Councilman Dauwalder, Second by Councilman Klein to approve the SRF B #5 Draw in the amount of $37,178.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**Water Project Update**

Mayor Fleshman discussed the water project and the electrician being able to work during winter shut down. The generator has arrived, and the pumps were scheduled to be shipped March 4 for down at the well. The Mayor mentioned the electric heaters, at the well, did not work well due to the weather. Propane also ran out down there and the new heaters have not arrived yet.

**Rural Water Convention**

Mayor Fleshman spoke with Reinke Irrigation about the ruts from the pivot. They offered to switch out plastic wheels for rubber wheels, which might not cause as deep of ruts. As of now for the sewer lagoon discharge permit, the Town has to report no discharge, but will likely have to report discharge for March. The Mayor also noted that next year’s water conference will be held in March because the weather is expected to be better.

**Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Fleshman discussed KRTV coming to Dutton to interview Public Works Director/ Clerk/Finance Officer Jeremiah Kjensmo regarding all the snow and the Town’s snow plow being broken. KRTV’s angle was what a small-town atmosphere is like and how willing the community is to step up and help each other. Some people came to the Town Office and expressed they thought not enough plowing was taking place, and others were thrilled by how well the community pulled together. Mayor Fleshman also mentioned Day Light Savings starts March 10.

**Adjourn**

The next Dutton Town Council Meeting will be April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:03 pm.

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**Susan Fleshman, Mayor** **Becky Hagen, Assistant Clerk**