

Minutes of Sweetser Town Council
October 10, 2024

- I. The meeting was called to order by Kyle Taylor at 7:00 pm; the roll was called as follows:
Roll Call:
Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

The roll was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

II. **Minutes**

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2024, council meeting as submitted. Tyler Wineinger seconded the motion.

Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

III. **Bills**

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to approve the payroll docket of October 4, 2024, and the bills docket of October 10, 2024 as submitted. Warren Dailey seconded the motion.

Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

IV. **Public Forum**

- Kyle notified the attendants that at this time members of the public may speak on any item of general interest not specific to the meeting agenda and within the town council's jurisdiction, generally subject to a five (5) minute time limit per speaker. Kyle also asked the attendants if there were any Title VI or Title II ADA issues, concerns, or complaints from the public needing the town's attention and needing addressed.
- There is an open seat on the council. Matt Moore had submitted a resume and appeared before the council for an open interview.

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to nominate Matt Moore for the open seat on the Sweetser Town Council. Warren Dailey seconded the motion.

Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

The oath of office was administered by clerk John Potter.

V. **Department Reports**

Police Department – Marshal Ryan Hornback was in attendance.

- Ryan reported on the number of suspicious vehicle activities for August and September.
- Ryan reported 463 calls for September and 3,254 year-to-date.
- Ryan summarized the nature of the calls since the last meeting.

- Ryan reported both batteries in the 2020 Tahoe are starting to fail.
- Ryan said he had gone through BOLA Wrap training and submitted a sample BOLA Wrap policy that will need to be reviewed, amended, and adopted by the police department.
- Ryan said he would like to get Microsoft Office for his computer.

Maintenance Department – Operations Manager Patrick Kendall was in attendance.

- Patrick submitted a quote to replace the town flags.
- Patrick reported that the Sidewalk Project is on schedule, but it sounds as if it may be running over project budget. He said there may be an option for additional assistance from the State.
- American Pump serviced the Short Street lift station pump.
- There was discussion of the damaged lids at the Kelly and Short street lift stations. Patrick has been working on obtaining quotes for repairs and/or replacements.
- Ed's 2011 GMC truck needs a new ABS Brake Module.

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to approve the replacement of the ABS Brake Module on the 2011 GMC truck. Warren Dailey seconded the motion.

Matt Morre-Aye
Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

- Patrick submitted a quote from Best One for new front tires for the Gator. He will also obtain a quote for a full set.
- There was a discussion of getting new flag holders for Main Street.
- Kyle reported on discussions he had with the county ambulance service representatives about using the town hall garage and what equipment they will need. There also discussion how to limit their access to town hall offices.

Parks Department—President position is vacant

- No report

VI. Continuing Business

- Kyle opened the public hearing for Ordinance 2024-8, the 2025 budget for the Town of Sweetser. There were no questions or comments from the public.

After discussion, Warren Dailey made a motion to pass on second reading Ordinance 2024-8, the 2025 budget for the Town of Sweetser. Travis LeMaster seconded the motion.

Matt Morre-Aye
Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

- The town needs to appoint an ADA Title VI Coordinator. Kyle appointed Matt Moore to the position.
- The clerk reported the CCMG-2 distribution from INDOT had been received and deposited in the Federated Hermes account.
- Jocques Plothow of RMA reported the HSIP Package and Estimate will be submitted tomorrow, October 11, 2024.
- Jocques said the call for CCMG 2025-1 projects opens January 2, 2025, and runs through January 31, 2025.
- Kyle asked Matt to review the current body camera policy of the department.

- Warren estimated the cost to upfit the 2024 Tahoe would be approximately \$25,000.
- The clerk said the initial town credit card application had been rejected and he would reapply.
- Kyle discussed the cost and payment methods for 5 tracking devices for town vehicles.
- No update on the sidewalk project but RQAW will be reviewing the project documents.
- No update on the handbook revisions.
- Town Counsel Michael Hotz is still working to deed the Bragg Street property to Habitat for Humanity.
- Kyle reported that he had posted for the reinstatement of the police department reserve program.
- Kyle said he had would be talking with another company about the TeleCad cell tower lease proposal.

VII. New Business

- Travis recommended the town set 2024 Halloween Trick or Treat hours from 6 pm to 9 pm on October 31, 2024.

After discussion, Travis LeMaster made a motion to set the 2024 Trick or Treat hours from 6 pm to 9 pm on October 31, 2024. Warren Dailey seconded the motion.

Matt Morre-Aye
Warren Dailey Aye
Tyler Wineinger-Aye
Travis Lemaster-Aye
Kyle Taylor-Aye

- The next council meeting is scheduled for 7 pm, Thursday, October 24, 2024.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Potter
