

FROMBERG TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A PRELIMINARY HEARING

HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 06, 2022

The September 06, 2022 preliminary budget meeting of the Fromberg Town Council was held at the Fromberg Town Hall in Fromberg Montana. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mayor Nottingham called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council members present were Nate Caton, Dave Stapleton, Bill Gruel and James Lister. Others present were, Jay Carter with the Public Works Department and the Fromberg town clerk, Lacey Breeding. Also present was Elton Kirtley.

Clerk Breeding expressed her regrets to the council regarding the lack of time the flood disaster had left for budget prep. She then gave a run-down of the current budget handouts. She pointed out areas on the budgets that need to be amended. Discussion was had about the general fund and its lack of funds. Discussion was also had on possible ways to cut expenditures in the general fund to make it even out. Little options were brainstormed for the predicament.

Clerk Breeding then explained the reasons she had found to be the cause of the general fund and its lack of funds for expenditures. She informed of the possible ways to remedy the situation that she had been informed of but warned of the time that would be needed and the fact that the approaching deadline of the budget being approved does not allow for such changes to be made at this time. Discussion was then had about if it was possible to get an extension of deadline due to the unexpected flood disaster and its timing or the possibility of getting the funds restored to the general fund that were wrongly used to pay wages in years past. Due to the lack of time before deadline, the council decided to approve the preliminary budget but give Clerk Breeding the task of looking into the discussed options in a hasty manner. The motion was made by Councilman Stapleton with a second given by Councilman Lister. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye, Councilman Stapleton, -aye and Councilman Lister, -aye.

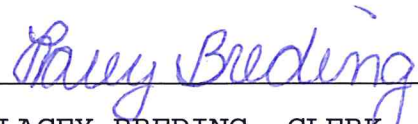
There being no further business in the current meeting of the evening, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Gruel and seconded by Councilman Stapleton. The motion to adjourn was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye, Councilman Stapleton, -aye, and Councilman Lister, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

  
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TIM NOTTINGHAM, MAYOR

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LACEY BREEDING, CLERK