

**TOWN OF FROMBERG
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
TOWN HALL, 118 WEST RIVER STREET**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- 2022-12-13 MEETING

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2022-12

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2022-12

OLD BUSINESS

- CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON LEGAL COUNSEL

NEW BUSINESS

- DISCUSSION ON BUDGET SOLUTIONS

ATTORNEY

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

FROMBERG TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON JANUARY 10, 2023

The January 10, 2023 meeting of the Fromberg Town Council was held at 118 W River Street in Fromberg. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Nottingham at 7:00 pm. Council members present were Dave Stapleton, Bill Gruel, Nate Caton and Jim Lister. Other's present were Clerk Lacey Breeding, Public works director Jay Carter, Jerry Hall, Twyla Lister, Mike Ventling, Marge Taylor, Nikki Elliot and Elton Kirtley.

Sheriff was not present.

Next was public comment. Marge Taylor asked Mayor Nottingham for developments on the bank building and its water meter setup. Clerk Breeding gave Ms. Taylor a run down from the last two council meetings where the topic was discussed in depth.

Then, Mayor Nottingham gave a presentation of a plaque to Councilman Lister for all of his donated time helping the town.

Next, Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous month's council meeting. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motions and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye, Councilman Stapleton, -aye and Councilman Lister, -aye.

Following that, Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the claims from the month of December 2022. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye, Councilman Stapleton, -aye and Councilman Lister, -aye.

Next, Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the payroll for the month of December 2022. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye, Councilman Stapleton, -aye and Councilman Lister, -aye.

The first item of business was the discussion of the town's legal counsel options. Discussion was had about advertising requesting applications to be put in the local newspaper. It was then decided to get an add in for the next paper and to close the application opportunity at 5:00 pm on February 6, 2023. Interviews would be held after the applications are received.

Next on the agenda was updates given by Clerk Breeding about the budget solutions and progress.

Following that Mayor Nottingham gave updates on the river clean-out status and that there is currently no plans being established to

get the river fixed before flooding in the spring. Mayor Nottingham made it clear that it is not the Town of Fromberg's decision. Nottingham then shared his ideas about measures to take to get prepared for the possible flooding in the spring. Discussion was had about the pros and cons of each idea.

No legal counsel was present.

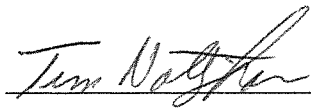
Next Jay Carter with the public works department gave his updates for the previous month. Discussion was had about cost of needed repairs. Carter also informed of an opportunity for town to possibly make some extra income if he accepted the offer to run the town of Edgar's lagoons as well as ours. Discussion was had on possible contracts and ideas.

Next, Clerk Breeding answered questions about FEMA and where the town stood in that process. Clerk Breeding gave a run down on what presently is eligible for funding or reimbursement and what is not.

Last on the agenda was Mayor/Council comment. First Councilman Caton requested advice and help planning for the future water and sewer construction of the Anderson Trailer Park which he and his partner had purchased. Elton Kirtley asked Councilman Caton what the trailer court will look like and consist of in the future. Caton informed everyone of the plans that had so far been developed. Next Councilman Stapleton asked for a sewer line project update. Mayor Nottingham informed of a meeting he was to have later in that week with Great West Engineering about the topic. Discussion was had about the possible outcomes of an extended time line on the project.

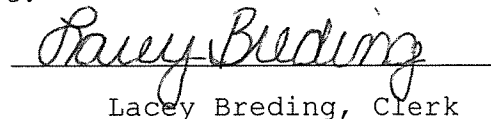
The next regular meeting was set for February 10, 2023 and there being no further business, Councilman Stapleton made the motion to Adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Gruel. The motion to Adjourn was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel- aye, Councilman Stapleton- aye and Councilman Lister, -aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Tim Nottingham, Mayor

Attest:



Lacey Breeding, Clerk

**TOWN OF FROMBERG
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
TOWN HALL, 118 WEST RIVER STREET**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- 2022-01 MEETING

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2022-01

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2022-01

REVIEW LEGAL COUNSEL SUBMITTED APPLICATIONS

NEW BUSINESS

- COUNCILMAN LISTER RESIGNATION
- GREAT WEST ENGINEERING, CHAD HANSEN WITH UPDATES ON OUR CURRENT PROJECTS
WITH POSSIBLE VOTE REGARDING FUNDING OPTIONS

ATTORNEY

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

FROMBERG TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON FEBRUARY 14, 2023

The February 14, 2023 meeting of the Fromberg Town Council was held at 118 W River Street in Fromberg. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the meeting was called to order by Mayor Tim Nottingham at 7:03 pm. Council members present were Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Lacey Breeding, Sheriff Josh McQuillan, Carbon County Commissioner Scott Blaine, Carbon County DES Cyrina Allen, Great West Engineering Chad Hansen, Jerry Hall, Niki Elliot, Marge Taylor and Elton Kirtley. Missing was Public Works Department Jay Carter.

The meeting opened with Sheriff McQuillan giving a report for the time period beginning January 15, 2023 to February 14, 2023. Sheriff McQuillan provided a break down of the hours spent patrolling the town and the hours spent on calls within the town.

Next was public comment. Jerry Hall started with a question regarding a rumor he heard that the town's public works director was resigning. Mayor Nottingham informed everyone on the details of a job offer the public works director had received and that a resignation letter had not yet been received. Discussion was had about the plan for finding a replacement if needed. Elton Kirtley then provided a letter written to the town council that he intended for them to have. Kirtley read the letter aloud and expressed his frustrations with his belief of lack of action on the town council's part regarding mitigation for the near-by river bed and missing banks. Cyrina Allen with DES addressed everyone to provide information on an upcoming workshop in March 2023. Allen also reiterated her role and responsibilities for emergency response in carbon county. She made aware that she is willing to help with whatever she can but that the town must take sole responsibility in actions to be taken in regards to mitigation within city limits. Commissioner Scott Blaine then addressed the council with question on the status of the paperwork required to access flood mitigation. Mayor Nottingham gave a rundown on the current status of permits. Mayor Nottingham also gave a clarification for everyone that the town is currently in the process of solutions and mitigation regarding flood hazards but that it is a lengthy process that involve long-term solutions. Nottingham then explained an ongoing project that had been started on Park Street involving 10 loads of gravel that had already been delivered and what plan would be in place if flood water was to approach in the spring. More Discussion was had about the costs of projects needing to be priority to protect the town. Commissioner Blaine advised of a funding option to take care of some of the projects. He advised that the town search out loan options for funding to be able to provide a 25% match to access the EWP funding available. Councilman Dave Stapleton issued

advice for anyone who had been affected by the flood in 2022, to be prepared to be affected by flooding in the upcoming 2023 spring season. Kirtley added advice that the town should promptly produce a written agreement between the town and property owner Sean Zaske. Zaske had allowed the use of his property as an outlet for the flood water in the previous year's flood which left multiple issues on the property after the water receded.

Next, Councilman Stapleton made a motion to approve the January 2023 meeting minutes. Councilman Caton provided a second and the motion was carried with votes as followed: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the January 2023 claims. Councilman Caton provided a second and the motion was carried with votes as followed: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton next made a motion to approve the January 2023 payroll. Councilman Caton provided a second and the motion was carried with votes as followed: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The first item of business was to review legal counsel applications. Three applications had been received. Discussion was had on how to go about the process of interviewing the applicants and who should be involved. It was decided on a special public meeting to be held the following Tuesday the 21st of February. Clerk Breeding was instructed to contact the applicants and try to arrange for their availability on that date.

Next Item of business was the presentation of Councilman Jim Lister's letter of resignation from his seat on the council. Mayor Nottingham then called for a motion to vote on the acceptance of the resignation. Councilman Stapleton made a motion to accept the resignation and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Next item on the agenda was updates from Chad Hansen with Great West Engineering regarding our current projects in motion. Hansen gave a quick refresh on the urgent sewer main matter. He then provided details on what actions must be taken to resolve the problem. He gave the stipulations regarding which funding could be used for the sewer line and which funding options had to be used for the town's ARPA project. Hansen informed of House Bill 355 that will possibly go through in the near future and could be a funding option for the sewer line. Hansen would email figures to Clerk Breeding and the council would cast their votes in the next regular council meeting.

No attorney was present.

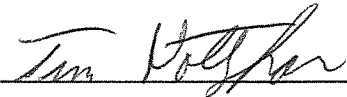
Mayor Nottingham then stepped in for public works director Jay Carter who was absent. Nottingham gave details on water line breaks that had occurred along with updates on the individuals serving community service that had been sent to help the public works through out the previous month. Discussion was then had on the towns current inventory of flood emergency supplies.

Next, Clerk Breeding gave updates on FEMA and payments that the town had received so far. Clerk Breeding then asked for opinions on the "Draft" Agenda for this meeting she had posted early on the town's website.

Last on the agenda was Mayor/Council comment. Discussion was had on the boundaries between the town and county's responsibilities and discussion was continued regarding the permits and paperwork required to get the river mitigation plans passed.

The next meeting was set to be the special meeting to occur on February 21, 2023 to start the attorney applicant interviewing. The next regular council meeting was set to be March 14, 2023 and there being no further business, Councilman Gruel made the motion to Adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Caton. The motion to Adjourn was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel- aye and Councilman Stapleton- aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm



Tim Nottingham, Mayor

Attest:



Lacey Breeding/Clerk

**TOWN OF FROMBERG
SPECIAL EMERGENCY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023
TOWN HALL, 118 WEST RIVER STREET
AT 7:00 P.M.**

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVE RESOLUTION #517: EMERGENCY FUNDING GRANT

ADJOURN

FROMBERG TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 02, 2023

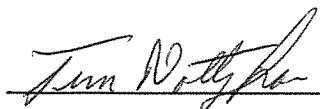
The March 02, 2023 special meeting of the Fromberg Town Council was held at the Fromberg Town Hall in Fromberg Montana. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at 7:00 pm and Mayor Nottingham called the meeting to order. Council members present were Dave Stapleton and Bill Gruel. Others present were Fromberg town clerk Lacey Breeding, Jerry Hall and Elton Kirtley. Missing was Councilman Nate Caton

Mayor Nottingham welcomed the attendees and explained the reasons for this special meeting. Nottingham informed that Councilman Caton could not be physically present but that he had conducted his vote via text message with Mayor Nottingham.

Nottingham read allowed Resolution #517. He then continued by explaining a grant for \$30,000.00 that had recently presented itself. He informed that the grant if awarded would go towards raising the town's well water heads up higher from the ground to protect them from any future flooding. A brief discussion was had with the gallery about the full cost of the project with Nottingham giving a full run-down of the steps the project would entail. Then a motion was made to approve Resolution #517 by Councilman Gruel and followed by a second from Councilman Stapleton. Mayor Nottingham read Councilman Caton's phone vote and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton (via phone), -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Stapleton, followed by a second from Councilman Gruel.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.



TIM NOTTINGHAM, MAYOR

ATTEST:


LACEY BREEDING, CLERK

**TOWN OF FROMBERG
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TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- 2023-02-14 MEETING
- 2023-03-02 MEETING

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-02

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-02

NEW BUSINESS

- CLERK BREIDING RESIGNATION LETTER
- SHARON FLEMETIS WITH STILLWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ABOUT FLOOD RESPONSE
- COUNCIL SEAT LETTER OF INTENT FROM LOREN MCKEEVER

OLD BUSINESS

- REVIEW LEGAL COUNSEL INTERVIEWS
- CHAD HANSON GIVING FINANCING ROUTES WITH POSSIBLE VOTING

ATTORNEY

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The Tuesday, March 14, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Lacey Breeding, Public works Director John Carter, Sheriff Josh McQuillan, Jerry Hall, Wayne Vargas, Don Westra, Carol Jones, Cyrill Hergenrider, Lori Simpson, Marge Taylor, Linda Herman, Terri Thornell, Niki Elliot, Irwin Sankey, Tammy Taylor, Tina Foust, Phil DeHaan, Patti Douglas, Elton Kirtley, Sharon Flemetis, Tyler Martindale, Denise Rivette, Chad Hanson, Ron Euerle, Angela McCormick, Mike Ventling, Gloria Weiss, Scott Blain, Cyrina Allen and Cheryl Cox.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He then asked the council if it could be made possible to move the agenda item with Sharon Flemetis to the beginning of the meeting due to the long drive in the dark Flemetis had. The council agreed with the request.

First, Sheriff Josh McQuillan gave his report for the month of February 2023. He reported that in the previous month there were 107 hours total for service in the town of Fromberg, 10 in which were case work and the rest in patrolling. Councilman Stapleton asked Sheriff McQuillan if deputies could help get alleys that were being blocked in the town cleared and McQuillan advised to submit formal complaints to the sheriff department. Marge Taylor then question Sheriff McQuillan about the legalities regarding the use of town money. Sheriff McQuillan replied that there is an active investigation in which if nothing criminal is found it will then become a civil matter. He also advised that the topic not be discussed further during this time.

Next was Sharon Flemetis and Tyler Martingale with the Carbon County Conservation District. They each took turns giving a run down on what their tasks entail and then informed of the grants and statuses of the grants that the town currently was working on for protection of the town against future flooding. They informed that the Carbon County Conservation District was working hard to find emergency plans for short term remedies to the problems the town could possibly face in the event of future flooding. They informed that Mayor Nottingham had had 3 meetings to date with the army core of engineers about the river and they advised that there is no fast and easy process, and that any real solution would take extensive time for engineers to explore and approve. Discussion was had about the agencies and permits that each river-side resident is required to go through to secure their properties from future flooding. Mayor Nottingham then requested that a project manager to assist him in these processes would greatly be appreciated and Clerk Breeding agreed to post about the volunteer position. Discussion was also had about how to acquire materials and bags for emergency use if needed.

After that was public comment. Elton Kirtley began by expressing frustration that the town does not have a plan for a drain system. Discussion was had about how a drain system could be obtained and how to fund it. Laurie Simpson then brought forth a traffic complaint regarding the "Y" intersection and potential for danger while turn on/off the highway at that location. Discussion was had about solutions and Mayor Nottingham agreed to contact the State Highway Department for their advisement. Tammy Taylor suggested that a memo be sent out to residents asking for a count on how many each sandbags would be possibly needed at each property in case of flooding.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held February 14, 2023. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the minutes from a special meeting held March 2, 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the claims from February 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the payroll for February 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Next on the agenda was the reading of Clerk Breeding's resignation from the position of town clerk/treasurer. Mayor Nottingham read the letter aloud and discussion was had about how to go about interviews of applications for the position.

Next was the reading interested people for the open council position. Councilman Stapleton read each letter aloud and the decision was made to have an official vote at the next regular meeting to be held in April 2023.

Mayor Nottingham then gave a briefing of the interviews that he and some of the councilman had had with the applicants for the town attorney job. Discussion was had about the costs of each applicant. The discussion resulted in voting from the council. Councilman Stapleton abstained from voting due to the fact that he was not present at the interviews. The votes resulted in Attorney Dennison Butler being chosen for the job. Councilman Gruel gave a motion to approve the decision and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye. Discussion was then had about changing the monthly dates of the future council meeting to be able to work with the new attorney on his presence at the meetings.

Next up was Chad Hanson with Great West Engineering. Hanson did a recap on the projects that the town had been working on and then informed of the options himself and grant writers had come up with for funding the projects. Discussion was had about which town provided utilities would have to have rate raise and which would not. Discussion was then had about the current table of fee rates the town had. Councilman Caton made a motion to accept Hanson's proposal and Councilman Stapleton gave a second. The votes were as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

John "Jay" Carter, the town's public works director then gave his updates on current issues and advancements within the town.

Clerk Breeding then gave her updates on the budget and on any developments with the FEMA process. Discussion was had about the town parks and what role FEMA was to have in restoring them after the 2022 flood damage occurred. The council then decided to set a special meeting for April 03, 2023, a final public meeting on the final budget.

During the Mayor/Council time block, discussion was had about the award given to the Mayor of Laurel and its publicity. Philip DeHaan then gave thank you to elected officials for everything they have endured, and accomplished while being put in a tight spot.

The meeting was set for April 03, 2023 as a special meeting and April 11, 2023 for the regular town council meeting.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Tim Nottingham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Harlie Riddle, Clerk/Treasure



**TOWN OF FROMBERG
SPECIAL EMERGENCY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023
TOWN HALL, 118 WEST RIVER STREET
AT 7:00 P.M.**

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

- DISCUSS PUBLIC WORKS APPLICANT INTERVIEWS
- DECIDE WHO TO HIRE FOR PUBLIC WORKS POSITION

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The special town council meeting on Friday, March 24, 2023 began at 7:00 pm starting with the pledge of allegiance led by the Fromberg Mayor Tim Nottingham. Present at the meeting was Mayor Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Also present was Clerk Lacey Breeding and Harlie Riddle.

Nottingham then called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. First on the agenda was to discuss the interviews of clerk applicants that had taken place in the previous weeks. Nottingham asked if any of the council had and comments or question about the interviews. Councilman Stapleton commented that he had not been able to attend any of the interviews but that Councilman that had been present at each interview had filled him on the details that he had missed.

Next was the task of making a decision on which applicant to hire. Quick discussion was had about the wage to start the new clerk at. A starting wage of \$16.00 per hour was decided and the council then decided to take a vote using the secret ballot method. Clerk Breeding gave each councilman a piece of paper to cast their votes and when all had made their decisions the votes were given to Clerk Breeding to read aloud.

The result of the votes determined that applicant Harlie Riddle would be hired to take the open clerk position. Ms. Riddle, who was present at the meeting informed that her starting day would be April 1, 2023 and Clerk Breeding agreed to help Clerk Riddle as much as needed to get her going in the new job.

There being no further topics to discuss Councilman Bill Gruel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Tim Nottingham, Mayor

ATTEST:

Harlie Riddle, Clerk/Treasurer

**TOWN OF FROMBERG
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023 AT 07:00 PM
TOWN HALL, 118 WEST RIVER STREET**

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

FINAL PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

APPROVE FINAL BUDGET RESOLUTION #: 518

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
MONDAY APRIL 3, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The special town council meeting on Monday, April 3, 2023 began at 7:00 pm starting with the pledge of allegiance led by the Fromberg Mayor Tim Nottingham. Present at the meeting was Mayor Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Also present was Clerk Harlie Riddle and Lacey Beding. Not present council man Nate Caton and Public Works Director Jay Carter.

Nottingham then called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. First he asked if there were any comment. Discussion was had about FEMA reimbursements. Dave Stapelton approved resolution and Bill Gruel seconded. Resolution was passed.

There being no further topics to discuss Councilman Bill Gruel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilman Griel seconded the motion. The motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye, and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:015 pm.

**TOWN OF FROMBERG
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TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- MARCH 14, Meeting
- MARCH 24, Meeting
- APRIL 3, Meeting

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-03

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-03

NEW BUSINESS

- Special Event Application Carbon Stillwater co-ed softball
- Elect new council member
- Resolution #519

OLD BUSINESS

JEFF GREANWALD U.S ACE

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

- How to prepare for spring run off

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

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TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The Tuesday, April 11, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:03pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Harlie Riddle, Public works Director John Carter, Cheryl Cox, Mike and Kelly Venting, Lacey Bedding, Jeff Grenwald, Mr. Elliott, Marge Taylor, Tammy Taylor, Joshua and Monic Honey, Sean Zaske, Gene and Tammy Spencer, Gregory Tourneau and Jerry.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Sheriff Josh McQuillan was not able to make the April 11, 2023 so a Sheriff Report wasn't given at the meeting.

After no Sheriff report Mayor Tim Nottingham presented certificates and plaques to some of the outstanding members of the community that went above and beyond during the Flood. Gene Spencer and his brother Denis Spencer, Lacey Bedding and John (Jay) Carter were the recipients of the presented awards.

After the awards we moved to public comment. Elton Kirtley began by expressing frustration that the town does not have a plan for a drain system. Discussion was had about how a drain system could be obtained and how to fund it. Elton Kirtley also expressed his concerns for the 3rd Ave project and the sewer line that needs repaired is in the works. The town had to hire an engineer to come in and look to see what our best option would be with the railroad approval. Nottingham explained that FEMA hadn't approved the 3rd Ave project.

Geoff from DNRC got up and explained what they were trying to get accomplished in the river. Geoff explained that this is a long term project that wouldn't get finished in the year. The DNRC has 3 projects they are working on including one from the rest area out past our bridge.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held March 14, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the minutes from a special meeting held March 24, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Councilman Canton made a motion to approve the minutes from a special meeting held April 3, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Canton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

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Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the payroll for March 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Next on the agenda was the special event request for the Fromberg softball. Corel came in and asked if the Town of Fromberg would pay for the outhouses for the season due to the flood damage to the bathrooms at the field. The bathrooms are not useable. She also asked that we lift the open

container policy for the season. She stated that there has never been any issues in the past when the policy was lifted and everyone followed the rules. The town agreed to pay for the outhouses and will lift the waiver for open container during the season. Councilman Catone made a motion to approve the application, lift the open container policy and provide the outhouses for the facility. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Next was the reading of interested people for the open council position. Randy Graham, Joshua Heny and Lauren Mikever put in for the open council position. Councilman Stapleton read each letter aloud and a vote was held. Councilman Stapleton, Councilman Catone and Councilman Gruel voted Lauren Mikever into the position.

Mayor Nottingham then read thee 519 Resolution moving the Regular Town meetings to the second Monday of each month at 7pm. There will be a second post and reading at the May 2023 council meeting.

John "Jay" Carter, the town's public works director then gave his updates on current issues and advancements within the town.

Clerk Riddle then gave her updates on what she has been up to and updated us about the Clerk school the end of April that she will be attending.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The special town council meeting on Friday, April 28, 2023 began at 7:04 pm starting with the pledge of allegiance led by the Fromberg Mayor Tim Nottingham. Present at the meeting was Mayor Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton, Councilman Dave Stapleton and Clerk Harlie Riddle.

Nottingham then called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. First on the agenda was to discuss the interviews of Public Works applicants that had taken place in the previous weeks. Nottingham asked if any of the council had any comments or question about the interviews. Councilman Stapleton commented that he had not been able to attend any of the interviews but that Councilman that had been present at each interview had filled him in on the details that he had missed.

Next was the task of making a decision on which applicant to hire. Quick discussion was had about the wage to start the new public worker at. A starting wage of \$20.00 per hour was decided and the council then decided to take a vote using the secret ballot method. Clerk Riddle gave each councilman a piece of paper to cast their votes and when all had made their decisions the votes were given to Mayor Nottingham to read aloud.

The result of the votes determined that applicant Sam Brehm would be hired to take the open public works position. Mr. Brehm, who was present at the meeting informed that his starting day would be May 1, 2023 and Public Works Director Jay Carter agreed to help new Public Worker as much as needed to get him going in the new job.

There being no further topics to discuss Councilman Bill Gruel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.



Town of Fromberg
Regular Town Council Meeting
Tuesday May 9th, 2023 At 7:00 PM
Town Hall, 118 West River St.

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- April, 11 2023 Meeting
- April 28th SPECIAL MEETING

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-04

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-04

NEW BUSINESS

- SWEAR IN NEW COUNCIL MEMBER AND CLERK
- DENNING AND DOWNEY
- 119 KIDS COURT

OLD BUSINESS

- SECOND READING OF RESOLUTION #519

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

DRAFT
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
TUESDAY, May 9th, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA

The Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton by phone and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Harlie Riddle, Public works Director Sam Brehm and Officer Croft.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Sheriff Josh McQuillan was not able to make the April 11, 2023 so a Sheriff Report wasn't given at the meeting.

Officer Croft gave a brief over look of the time they spent out on calls. The time being 71.34 hours was total spent on calls and patrolling the Town of Fromberg.

After the awards we moved to public comment. Erwin Swanky if the town can do anything about the speed on school street. How can we monitor people speeding on this street. Clerk Riddle is going to be looking into possible grants to be able to get an electric speed limit sign. Randy Graham then expressed concern bout there being no street crossing signs or cross walks by the school. The town agreed to look into that and purchase signs to be placed for the cross walk. Jerry Hall asked if Sam Brehm would help pull a pipe out of the ground to get his sidewalk project completed. Sam agreed to help pull the pipe later that week. Brian Jones came in and asked about the road project to continue down Carbon St. Discussion followed by the town agreeing to get material moved for him to start the house and get the road started. Elton Kurtly has concerns with the flooding issues and asked what the town was doing to prevent the flood. Mayor Tim followed with information that the Tail Road was donating the riffraff to harden the banks. The woody derby removal has been started but the state had prioritize but they are coming to do by the bridge. Lindy O'Brian asked if we could have an early warning sign. Weather that be the siren or the fire trucks driving through town. Tammy Taylor Suggested 3 quick siren sounds for the flood.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Stapleton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held April 11, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the claims from April 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the payroll for April 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Next on the agenda was the 119 Kids Court. Mike Hofman is a property developer and is interested in developing in the Town of Fromberg. If he was able to close on the 119 Kids Court address he would like to put in a duplex for family's. Mike is still looking at the property so no voting was needed.



Mayor Nottingham then read the 519 Resolution moving the Regular Town meetings to the second Monday of each month at 7pm. Tammy stated we needed to do this by Ordinance. Paper work will be sent to the Attorney to make sure the 519 Resolution is legal.

Sam Brehm, the town's public works director introduced himself, then gave his updates on current issues and advancements within the town.

Clerk Riddle then gave her updates on clerk school and expressed how she is working on getting citizens caught up on water bills and asked the community what they would like to go over at the end of meetings to make them educational and helpful with questions. Clerk Riddle then went on to ask the council if they were going to continue the Summer rates. The Council agreed to the summer rates to citizens that are current on their bill. Councilman Caton then brought up the gas tax bulk to be put to the city roads and sidewalks on Lovers lane.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.



Town of Fromberg

Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday June 13, 2023 At 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 118 West River St.

TUESDAY, June 13TH, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- May, 9th 2023 Meeting

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-05

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-05

NEW BUSINESS

- Gas Tax Project
- Findings on Resolution #519
- Property options/ Mike Hoffman
- Public Works Position Announcement
- Improvement committee
- Bobbie 512 W River St
- Grant
- Clerk Wages
- Swear in Council Member

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

- Montana Tree Service

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
TUESDAY, June 13, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The Tuesday, June 13, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Harlie Riddle, Town residents and Officer Croft.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Officer Croft gave a brief over look of the time they spent out on calls. The time being 6 hours was total spent on calls and patrolling the Town of Fromberg. With 30 Calls from Fromberg.

After Officer Croft we moved to public comment. Irwin Sankey asked about the ditch and if we had been watching it, and if we had a plan if the ditch blew out. Clerk Riddle and Mayor Tim are going to be talking to the Ditch company and ask questions. Brian Jones came in and asked about the road project to continue down Carbon St. Discussion followed by the town to get that project up and rolling with the new Public Works Labor Marcus. Elton Kurtly has concerns with corruption with zoning of the Town. He Proposed that we have a committee to make sure everything is done correctly. Clerk Riddle is going to look into that process.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Stapleton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held June 13, 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the claims from June 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the payroll for June 2023. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Next on the agenda was the Gas Tax Project. The Council decided to rebuild cross street to School St. Then start back at W River st from the Bridge.

Mayor Nottingham then read thee 526 Ordinance. Tammy Taylor informed us it has to be posted 30 Days before the first reading. Postponed till July Meeting.

Next were the Property Sell options. Mike Hoffman Wanks to purchase 2 lots to put two family duplex's. Clerk Riddle is going to be working with the Attorney to make sure processes are done legally and correct. Tammy Taylor told Mayor Tim of the ordnance showing the barley field portion wasn't reserved for the ball field of parks.

Mayor Tim Hired Marcus Shutterlee for a Labor as of now. Marcus has public works experience.

Next was the improvement committee, Tammy Taylor is asking to put in one to two spring riders. They give you limits and we have the room for two. And requested a Message Board for posting of flood and a thank to the town.

Then we moved on to Bobbie at 512 W River St. They are wanting to put in a mobile home, the locations are done and HUD approved foundation. Stapleton made a motion to approve the proposal

and Gruel seconded and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Mayor Tim went on and talked about the Grant of hardening the banks. The County has taken over the grant instead of the town for they will be able to afford the engineering and fees that it takes. November 1 for a completion date. Kertly mentioned the 3rd Ave project, and what the material will be used for when taken out of the river. Mayor Tim estimates that one thousand truck loads of gravel to be taken out and hauled to the gravel pit. Where it will be crushed for the town.

Next the Clerk Wages were discussed. Clerk Riddle currently makes 16.00 an hour. Her work has been outstanding; she has applied for her license and would like to see her have a pay raise mentioned Mayor Tim. Tim Proposed we raise her to 17.50 an hour. Stapleton made a motion to raise Clerk Riddles wages to 17.50 and Caton second and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

We next discussed the Council member position. He hasn't been present due to health issues. Position will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Jeremy was praised for his amazing job keeping up on the mowing.

Clerk Riddle then gave her updates on Montana tree service and that they will be chipping wood they bring in for the towns use.

We then discussed the Anderson clean up is in progress. The trees on main st needs to be taken down and there are three dead trees that need to be tended to. Clerk Riddle is going to get bids on taking the trees down.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2023.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.



Town of Fromberg
Regular Town Council Meeting
Tuesday July 11, 2023 At 7:00 PM
Town Hall, 118 West River St.

TUESDAY, July 11, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- June 13, 2023 Meeting

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-06

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-06

NEW BUSINESS

- Ordinance #526
- Property opening bid Closes July 18th
- Farmers Market

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
TUESDAY, July 11, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The Tuesday, July 11, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Harlie Riddle, Town residents and Officer AJ Lebrun.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Officer Lebrun gave a brief over look of the calls that were received by Fromberg residents. We had a bunch of complaints on fireworks and need to update our firework ordinance. Irwin Swakey asked if we had any tickets written on School St. Officer Lebrun hasn't had anyone speeding on that road when patrolling.

After Officer Lebrun we moved to public comment. Tammy Taylor expressed her concern with the Fema money and that it should be used. The Council asked to put this matter on August meetings agenda. Irwin asked about the investigation and was told it cant be commented on. Lori Simpson let us know that the Republic Garbage services are not picking up garbage. Clerk Riddle is going to look into the contract and see what they can do to fix the issue.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Stapleton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held June 13, 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the claims from June 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the payroll for June 2023. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Next on the agenda was the first reading of Ordinance 526. Irwin expressed his frustration with the change of days for he has other obligations to attend to on Mondays. Stapleton made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 526 and Caton Seconded. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Next were the Property Sell options Correl asked if we could trade 100ft of the north side to improve the fields where Jeremy mows. The town citizens that were present would like to see if Vargas would trade some land for the ball field. Then out of nowhere Marge Taylor Stands up insulting Mayor Tim calling him a crook and how he needs to leave town. She also had some colorful words involved as well. Her voice was raised yelling at the council members and Mayor Tim. Then she Removed herself from the Building. After order in the meeting room was regained Tammy Taylor informed us that the Vargas property was sold wrong and was supposed to be donated to the Fromberg Base Ball Field. Councilman Caton agreed to talk to Vargas. The selling of the property was tabled to a special meeting to be held in two weeks on July 24, 2023.

We then moved on to the Farmers Market. They asked for the use of the awning in the park to put on a Farmers Market every Thursday from 4-6. Tammy Taylor asked if a sign could be made and

posted the morning of to let people know it was going to be used at that time. Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the Farmers market usage of the park. Stapleton seconded. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Mayor Tim Hired Marcus Shutterlee for a Labor as of now. The council was wondering if we promote Marcus or do we need to rerun the add. Clerk Riddle is going to get the information and report back at the next meeting.

Irwin was wondering about the vacant seat on the council and if it was ever going to get filled.

We then went on to the Mayor/Councilman line and Stapleton expressed how we need to get the alleys cleaned up and cleared. We need to get the sherrifs office on board and get stuff cleaned up. It has been over a year since the flood and everyone who is going to make an effort already has. We need to get with the attorney and get letters sent out properly.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2023.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.



**TOWN OF FROMBERG
SPECIAL EMERGENCY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023
TOWN HALL, 118 WEST RIVER STREET
AT 7:00 P.M.**

Monday, July 24 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

- CMA Review
- Resolution 520

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**Special TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
Monday July 24, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The Monday, July 24, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton by phone and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Harlie Riddle, Public works Director Sam Brehm and Officer Croft.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Mike Venting stood up and notified us that we couldn't be having this meeting for we are not aloud to discuss selling of property in meeting. Clerk Riddle Called Attorney Dennison to check on status. Clerk Riddle made the mistake of putting Special Emergency meeting instead of just Special Meeting. Since the public was notified correctly the meeting was continued due to Attorney approving. Mike Ventling also notified us that we needed a fire hydrant at every corner. Elton said the need of selling the property selling and everything has been done unprofessional. Stapleton feels like the selling of the land has been rushed. He will never vote to sell property in the town. If it were to sell the buyers would have to follow high planes new map. Councilman Caton was curious who was responsible for the utility's and wants to see another CMA before voting on selling.

Nate moved to table resolution 520 till next meeting and to vote if the council wants to sell the property. Dave second. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.
The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Town of Fromberg

Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday August 8, 2023 At 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 118 West River St.

TUESDAY, August 8, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVE MINUTES

- July 11, 2023 Meeting
- July 24, 2023 Special Meeting

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-07

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-07

NEW BUSINESS

- Ordinance #526 Final Reading
- Resolution 521
- Fema Ball Park
- Maternity Leave

OLD BUSINESS

- Selling of Property

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
TUESDAY, August 8th, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The Tuesday, August 8th, 2023 regular council meeting began with Fromberg Mayor, Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Others present were Clerk Harlie Riddle, Public works labor Mark Shutterley and Town Citizens.

Next, Nottingham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Sheriff Ben Lebrun gave his report. 78 hours and 45 minutes was the overall time spent on calls and patrolling the town.

After the sheriffs report we moved to public comment. Jerry Hall was concerned with the trees on main street and was wondering if we could get volunteers to cut them down to save money. The trees that were planted were the wrong type of trees. Erwin Sankey turn off asked when we are going to start sidewalks on school St. Needed to talk to someone Jennifer will look at getting little green people that tell people to slow down and that kids are around. Jo Bauwens second a street and fix a lot up to do RV hookups space or put in a tiny house. When she has plans, she will come back to the council meeting to get them approved. Brian Jones walk asked when we were going to get on his water I am also trying to make sense of everything all the dirt has to be moved out the water line is important they barely have water pressure. The council is looking in to the best possible way to get them water as soon as possible. There is a main line that is supposed to go in however Mike Bentley informed us that if we are going to put in a water main, we have to have an engineer.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held July 11, 2023. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the minutes from a special meeting held July 11, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Councilman Canton made a motion to approve the minutes from a special meeting held April 3, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Canton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the claims from July 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the payroll for July 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Next on the agenda was ordinance 526 to move the meetings to the second Monday of each month to allow our city attorney to be present. public comment on this matter was Erwin Sankey cannot be present for he has other obligations on Mondays. Dave Stapleton moved to approve ordinance 526 and Councilman Canton second. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Then we moved on to resolution 521 which entailed that we have mail in votes. Public comment on this matter was Ernst Erwin swanky wondered why we couldn't vote in office we are going to look

into getting something available at the town hall. Councilman Dave motioned that we approve resolution 521 and bill 2nd. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

We then moved on to the FEMA ballpark 139,000 for parks was responsible for 25% spent then gets reimbursed; Tammy Taylor broke down the cost And said that we need to commit. \$25,000 dollars from Stillwater Mine that was donated to the town can be used for ballpark. The ball park was in great shape, Nate spent his own money to get everything done at one point. Nate said the tip off tourney is spent in fromberg because of how nice our field is. Nate is going to head the ball park project.

We then talked about maternity leave for the city clerk Riddle maternity leave is granted for six to eight weeks paid. Councilman Canton moved to approve the six to eight weeks of paid maternity leave Councilman Stapleton 2nd it needs to be put in our handbook. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

We then talked about the selling of the lots. Councilman Stapleton expressed his concerns with selling the lots. He stated that it is land we will never be able to get back. Nate moved that we do not sell any city property bill 2nd. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

We moved on to the public works labor Marcus. He talked about the water leaks and how he has been taking care of them he has also fixed potholes going up and down east and West river street he has noticed that there are houses that have not been taking care of their lawns. We need to enforce the ordinance of keeping up on property for it has been over a year since the flood.

Next we moved on to the city clerk she's going to look into how to e-mail water bills. Tammy Taylor expressed her concerns about deposits needing to be done every day. Clerk Riddle goes to the bank every day to deposit utility billing.

We then read the letter of resignation from Councilman McKeever. We are now going to open up the chair available for City Council. Tammy Taylor said that she would like to see an A-frame for posting to catch people's eye.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Gruel made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Caton seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Mayor Tim Nottingham

ATTEST

Clerk/Treasurer Harlie Riddle

Town of Fromberg

Regular Town Council Meeting

Monday, September 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 118 West River Street

Monday, September 11, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

APPROVE MINUTES

- AUGUST 2023 MEETING

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-08

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-08

NEW BUSINESS

- ZONING APPLICATION
- BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION
- PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
- ELECTIONS
- FALL CLEANUP SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

OLD BUSINESS

- BRIAN JONES WATER SERVICE

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
TUESDAY, September 11th, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The meeting was called the order Monday September 11th at 701 PM. Mayor Tim let us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Tim Nottingham, leading in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Bill Gruel, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton. Also present was Clerk Harlie Riddle, City attorney Denis and Town Citizens.

First we had the sheriff's report of 63 hours and 19 minutes on patrol in 5 hours and 33 minutes on call. They called about clearing the alley and are working on making sure it stays clear. we then moved on to public comment.

First we had Corril expressing her concerns about the water bills. Her client I had a mistake on her water bill and it needs to be fixed. Mike Ventling then asked why water meters have not been read for the last couple months. Mayor Tim answered by saying that we have not had the proper training to be able to get water meters red. We have reached out to the meter company. Cheryl Cox then asked about the river work and Tim answered by stating that the conservation district is taking it over and has been turned over to the county they were setting up a meeting with Scott Blaine to get more information. Jerry Hall asked if we can send out red coat alerts for when we have water issues and how we can keep the town up to date on issues that arise. Tammy Taylor then asked about our budget meetings and when it needs and when it's going to be scheduled. Carl rude from the trailer court was withholding payment to be able to get the houses individually metered. Ownership has changed at the trailer court and he's wanting to get the bill resolved of \$11,500. Councilman Dave Stapleton asked if we could put it on the taxes and how it was not leaned before. Our attorney then stated that the water bill follows the land. The new owners are responsible for that 11,500. It was then brought up about living in campers and how there is an ordinance that says they cannot be lived in in the city limits unless you are building and it is a short term status. The attorney is going to be looking into these ordinances and we'll be getting back with the city clerk.

Next was the approval of minutes. Councilman Caton made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular council meeting that had been held September 11, 2023. Councilman Stapleton seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the minutes from a special meeting held September 28, 2023. Councilman Gruel seconded the motion and the motion was carried with votes as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the claims from September 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

Councilman Stapleton then made a motion to approve the payroll for September 2023. Councilman Caton seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

We then moved on to our agenda with the first item of the zoning application Josh Cox wants to tear down an old house and put up a garage slash shop 20% of the property coverage it will not be

interfering within of any of the zoning ordinances. Councilman Dave Stapleton made a motion to approve the zoning application Nate seconded the motion and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

We then moved on to the business license Daniel Auch 8 mine spur loop the business is to sell firearms and ammunition online end at gun shows they have been in the town of fromberg for two months. Councilman Dave asked if there were any byproducts going into the sewer or water and if they were going to be following the state laws. He is going to be following the state requirements. Dave made a motion to approve the business license and Nate seconded and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Our public works director what's next on the agenda He has been working on getting a service line to brines new house. There was a water leak that unfortunately shut the whole town off for couple hours but was able to be repaired and water was returned that evening. They also discussed the wage of the public works director it is set at 1950 an hour and bill would like it to be moved up to 21 an hour. Dave made a motion to move mark into the public works director position at \$21.00 an hour neat seconded and it is effective immediately. Dave Made a motion to hire Mark as the Public works Director at 21 dollars an hour and Nate seconded and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

We then went on to the election as we only have two write in candidates and two seats open so therefore, we don't need to have an election. Nate made a motion to not have the election bill seconded and votes were carried out as follows: Councilman Gruel, -aye. Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

The fall cleanup is set to September 26th 2023 all town citizens are allowed to have a truckload full. We then moved on to talk about Brian Jones water project they're going to be putting in a service line and cutting down the bank and moving the removing the dirt. The town hired Mark's business partner to be an extra hand as needed.

The Clerk then stated that she will be working on getting all the water bills fixed and the ones way overdue sent in to be put on the taxes. She also let everyone know that Dennis Pruitt has been sitting in the City Hall taking calls and giving receipts for utility billing and Lacey Carter is filling in for the computer side of the office.

The next council meeting will be on October 9th at 7:00 PM Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting and bill second in.

Meeting was adjourned at 846 PM.

Tim Nottingham, Mayor

attest

Harlie Riddle, Clerk

Town of Fromberg

Special Town Council Meeting

Monday September 28, 2023 At 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 118 West River St.

Monday September 28, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

- APPROVE

RESOLUTION # 523

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

**SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 2023 AT 7:00 PM
AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA**

The meeting was called the order Thursday, September 28th at 7:03 PM. Mayor Tim led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Present at the meeting was Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Nate Caton and Councilman Dave Stapleton by Phone. Also present was Clerk Harlie Riddle and Town citizens.

Mayor Tim started off with reading Resaloution 523. No questions arise. Nate made a motion to accept Resaloution 523 as reads and Dave second. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye. Resaloution Passed.

With no further topics to discuss Councilman Nate made the motion to adjourn and Councilman Dave seconded the motion. The motion was carried out as follows: Councilman Caton, -aye and Councilman Stapleton, -aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Tim Nottingham, Mayor

Attest

Harlie Riddle, Clerk



Town of Fromberg
Regular Town Council Meeting
Monday, October 9, 2023 At 7:00 PM
Town Hall, 118 West River St.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

APPROVE MINUTES

- 2023-09-11 MINUTES
- 2023-09-28 MINUTES

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-09

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-09

NEW BUSINESS

- TAMMY TAYLOR: SPECIAL SPEED REVIEW
- TCT WEST REPRESENTATIVE WITH PLAN OPTIONS AND CITY PROPERTY LEASE: ACTION:

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- DISCUSSION ON TOWN BURN PIT
- DISCUSSION ON RADIO READ REPLACEMENTS

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON

TUESDAY, September 11th, 2023 AT 7:00 PM

AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA

October 9th, 7:00 PM the fromberg town mayor Tim Nottingham let us in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order. The Sherrif department representative was not at the meeting at this time. Councilman Nate Caton made a motion to move the Sherrif report at the end of the meeting. Councilman Dave Stapelton second. All in Favor.

We moved on to the approval of minutes for the September meeting. Councilman Dave wanted to make 2 adjustments to the minutes. The fist was adding 11500 dollars owed by the trailer park being turned into taxes and that he didn't vote on the election being canceled. All in favor.

Then we moved on to approval of claims. Dave made the motion to approve claims for September. Nate second. All in favor.

Next was payroll Dave made a motion to approve payroll for September and Nate second. All in favor.

Tammy Taylor was next on the Agenda for the Speed review. During the summer the side walk sign was knocked down and wasn't put back up until Tammy called and they came same day to fix. There is a fourty-five speed limit sign on the highway. She would like to see a speed review on the highway done. We need to call the state and request a speed review. Bill has been through a few speed reviews on the highway and the state made it 45. There was no public comment.

Next on the agenda was TCT West. Ben Walker was the representative for TCT, they want to partner with Montana to bring fiberoctave internet. They are asking the town about right ways and wondering if they could lease 40 x 100 ft property. They would be bringing internet to the whole town. They have a low income program that will allow those that qualify for it to get \$30 off a month. Councilman Dave asked what kind of time frame are they looking at and Ben responded with a two year window starting in March. The lines will either be Infront of the property's or behind. They will be supplying the Town hall and Senior citizen center with free internet. Councilman Nate then asked what type of building the TCT west needs. He stated it doesn't have to be secure and will be a small building (box) and that we would have local technicians to provide services. The town could possibly get a .5-1% of the fees. Dave is interested in bringing money into the town. Nate made a motion to table this till our November meeting and Dave seconded. All in favor.

Public Works Director talked about our burn pit. It needs to regulated ti where people are only putting burning materials down there. He will have a procedure put in place by next meeting. He than talked about radio reads. We have about 28 in the shop and need a total of 119 to replace the town. Public comment from Mike Ventling asking what they are going to do for the people that bought their own meters. Mayor then stated that when they were doing it last that they reimbursed those that brought in there receipts. That is no longer in affect.

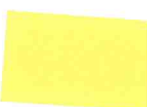
Next was Clerk Riddle. She has been working on books and budget and hope to have them done by the next meeting. Tammy than asked if we were going to post our audits. Clerk riddle is going to get her information on when and where they were posted.

Mayor and council would like to see the manhole fixed by the sewer ponds for it is a liability and needs to be fixed right away.

Public comment was the last on our agenda. Elton currently expressed his concerns about the trees on 3rd Ave. and the trees in the park. And stated that we need to do something about the trees. He thinks the town needs to know all the information that is going on with the river projects. Make event Ling then stated that there is a 500 gallon propane tank that is not buried and as Fire Chief he will not be fighting the fire if anything happens; it needs to be buried. Tammy Taylor then stated that the budget wasn't turned in and she couldn't look up the annual report port was not done. She is disappointed that this information was not attainable.

The next meeting date was set for November 13th. Council Councilman bill move to adjourn the meeting in Nate second. All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.



Town of Fromberg

Regular Town Council Meeting

Monday, November 13, 2023 At 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 118 West River St.

MONDAY, November 13, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

APPROVE MINUTES

- 2023-10-9 MINUTES

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-10

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-10

NEW BUSINESS

- Rock Removal Project
- Flood plain admin
- TCT West proposal
- Bear Specialist
- Letter of intent Council position

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

- DISCUSSION ON TOWN BURN PIT

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR/COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

Minutes ?

Town of Fromberg

Special Town Council Meeting

Thursday, December 14, 2023 At 7:00 PM

Town Hall, 118 West River St.

Thursday, December 14, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF

APPROVE MINUTES

- 2023-10-9 MINUTES

APPROVE CLAIMS

- 2023-10
- 2023-11

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY

- 2023-10
- 2023-11

NEW BUSINESS

- Letter of intent Council position (swear in council member)
- Vally Credit Union
- Rock Removal Project
- Flood plain admin
- TCT West proposal
- Robert Porch
- Clerk Wages
- HB355 Grants

MAYOR/COUNCIL

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN

NO OTHER TOPICS WILL BE DISCUSSED

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

HELD BY THE FROMERG TOWN COUNCIL ON

Monday December 14, AT 7:00 PM

AT 118 WEST RIVER STREET IN FROMBERG MONTANA

The December 14, 2023 council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Attendance of this council meeting was as follows: Mayor Tim Nottingham, Councilman Nate Caton, Councilman Dave Stapleton, Councilman Bill Gruel, Fill-in Clerk Lacey Carter, Mike Ventling, Robert Haseman, Elton Kirtley, Tammy Taylor, Marge Taylor, Nikie Elliot, Jerry Hall, Irwin Sankey and Carbon County Sheriff, Officer Wilden.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mayor Nottingham informed everyone that fill-in Clerk Lacey Carter would be filling in for Clerk Riddle. Nottingham also informed that a new rule would be enforced during council meetings. The new rule stated that the council would no longer be taking comments from the public outside of the designated public comment time slot.

Next Sheriff Wilden addressed the room. He apologized that he did not have a report available for the following month but gave the news that the town of Fromberg now had a new Carbon County Officer residing in the town.

Then was the approval of minutes. Councilman Caton motioned to approve the minutes for the October 2023 council meeting. Councilman Gruel followed with a second. The motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Next Councilman Stapleton made a motion to approve the October 2023 claims. Councilman Caton provided a second and the motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

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Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the payroll for October 2023. Councilman Stapleton provided a second and the motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye, and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

Councilman Caton then made a motion to approve the payroll for November 2023. Councilman Stapleton provided a second and the motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye, and Councilman Stapleton, aye.

The first item of New Business was to go through letters of intent that had been submitted by the public applying for the open Council seat. Mayor Nottingham informed that

there were four letters of intent submitted and he then gave the names of the applicants: Nikki Schutterle, Robert Haseman, Breezy Burlison, and Mr. Mclelhaney. Nottingham then asked if anyone would like to provide a nomination. Councilman Caton nominated Robert Haseman as a choice for the new councilman. Councilman Stapleton nominated Breezy Burlison. Mayor Nottingham then asked for a vote for each applicant resulting in Robert Haseman as the new nominated Councilman. Clerk Lacey Carter then swore in Councilman Robert Haseman.

Next on the agenda was the topic of authorized signatures for the Bank of Valley Federal Credit Union and the Bank of Bridger. Mayor Nottingham that will the term of councilman ending for Councilman Stapleton, the town would need a replacement signer on all mentioned bank accounts. Councilman Caton declined to be a second signatory due to his work schedule. Mayor Nottingham then asked the council their opinions on making Clerk Riddle the second signatory. Councilman Caton politely suggested that the signatory should be a councilman. Mayor Nottingham then asked Councilman Haseman if he would volunteer to be the second signatory. Councilman Haseman accepted the duty. Councilman Caton then made a motion to remove Councilman Stapleton as second signatory and replace him with Councilman Haseman. The motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye, Councilman Stapleton, aye and Councilman Haseman, aye.

Next on the agenda was to discuss the option of allowing a resident to take over and represent the town of Fromberg as the Flood Plain Administrator. No name was given. Councilman Stapleton agreed and said it would be great to delegate the task to someone and that the council should get her started immediately.

The next item on the agenda was a presentation from TCT West. Mayor Nottingham informed that the representative from the company were not quite ready to present and that the item would be tabled for the next regular council meeting. Councilman Stapleton made a motion to table the TCT West item and Councilman Gruel provided a second. The motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Stapleton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye and Councilman Haseman, aye.

Next was a zoning application submitted by Robert Haseman with plans for building a deck on his home. Mayor Nottingham explained the details for Haseman's project. Councilman Caton commented that he doesn't agree that a deck project should require an application of any kind. Discussion was then had about reasons an application was not necessary and how future submitted projects should be handled. Mayor Nottingham commented that he has individuals who are interested in forming a zoning committee. Councilman Caton commented that a "workshop" of sorts should be invented entailing practice scenarios for zoning committee members.

Next on the agenda was the topic of Clerk Riddle's current wages. Mayor Nottingham informed that he thought it appropriate that the council award Clerk Riddle with higher wages. Councilman Stapleton then asked what the surrounding town clerks were presently making.

Discussion was then had about appropriate pay for a job title of Clerk/Treasurer. The discussion resulted in a decision to table the item and find out what the surrounding area clerks were making. Councilman Caton made a motion to table the agenda item and Councilman Stapleton made a second. The motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Stapleton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye and Councilman Haseman, aye.

Next was the discussion of House Bill 355. Mayor Nottingham informed that HB355 was a grant that is available for application entailing funding for certain category projects. Mayor Nottingham then informed that he had asked Clerk Carter to be the manager of the grant application. Clerk Carter then gave a run down of what the grant was, the rules and how it worked. Discussion was then had on the process regarding the grant. The council informally agreed to consider the West River Street project as the chosen project and that the discussion would continue at a later meeting.

Next was the allotted time slot for the mayor or any councilman to bring up and desired topic. Councilman Caton gave a big thanks to all the applicants that put in letters of intent for the open council position. Mayor Nottingham gave updates on conservation meetings he had attending regarding the river by the south end of Lovers Lane.

Last on the agenda was Public Comment. Mayor Nottingham asked that any individual wishing to address the council must stand at podium and would be given three minutes to speak. First person to speak was Nikkie Elliot. Elliot introduced herself as the representative for the Fromberg Improvement Committee. Elliot explained that the committee could not move forward on the project they had presented to the council in June of 2023 until a mistake that had been found in the minutes be corrected. Elliot then asked if the minutes from the June meeting could please be amended saying that the committee has council approval to go through with their project. Councilman Caton made a motion to amend the June 2023 minutes giving the committee permission and Councilman Stapleton provided a second. Irwin Sankey then approached the podium with a complaint about the new rule involving no public comment allowed outside of the public comment time slot. Sankey gave his opinion that the council is going against the public's 1st amendment rights by telling them they can not comment. Elton Kirtley then approached the podium giving the same complaint. Kirtley added that items on the agendas need more public participation and that he disagrees with the council setup. Jerry Hall approached with a question about the ordinance regarding individuals living in camp type trailers within city limits. Discussion was had about the ordinance. Hall also asked why the Flag had not been put up outside of town hall anymore. Discussion was had about the importance of a flying flag. Tammy Taylor approached the podium with the same complaint as Sankey and Kirtley. Taylor also added that such a rule change should have been posted well before the meeting. Mike Ventling then brought up the topic of Clerk Riddle's wages. Discussion was had about when wage raises should be appropriate. Ventling also brought up a complaint on behalf of the Fromberg Fire Department stating that the town had not provided overdue payment to the fire department and that the council is breaching the contract by doing so. Mayor

Nottingham answered that there are details that need to be discussed further on the matter and that the matter will be put on the next agenda.

The next meeting was set to be held on January 8, 2024. Councilman Gruel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilman Caton followed with a second. The motion was carried out with votes as follows: Councilman Caton, aye, Councilman Stapleton, aye, Councilman Gruel, aye and Councilman Haseman, aye.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Tim Nottingham, Mayor

Attest:

Harlie Riddle, Clerk/Treasurer