

Thayne Town Council Meeting  
April 24, 2019

**FINAL**

Council in attendance: Mayor Simpson, Councilman Wicks, Councilman Woolley, Councilman Heward, Councilman Schwab and Clerk Hillstead

**Welcome:** Mayor Devin Simpson

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilman Woolley

**Approval of March 20, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes and the Adoption of the Agenda as finalized with changes and additions.**

**Motion-** Councilman Woolley

**Seconded-** Councilman Heward

**Motion carried**

**Public Hearing for the Brown Annexation**

Mayor Simpson opened the public hearing for the Brown Annexation at 6:01pm and asked for public comments, questions or concerns. Cindy Winchester asked for clarification on the location of the annexation and asked that the Town of Thayne make sure that the irrigation ditches remain open. No other public comments were given. The Brown Annexation public hearing was closed at 6:02pm

**Public Comments**

- No public comments given

**Robert Hood-Sunrise Engineering**

- Thayne Storage Tank Project
  - A pre-construction meeting is scheduled for Monday April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am and construction is scheduled to start the following week. The Town of Thayne needs to officially sign the contract with the contractor.
- North Waterline Project
  - The Town of Thayne needs to sign the contract with the contractor. The contractor will start with completing the canal crossing and then will finish the remainder of the project mid/late July to comply with the Heap agreement regarding the families grain field.
- Thayne Pathway and Lighting Project
  - The Statement of intent has been submitted and there is a site visit scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 to 4pm.
- Thayne Sidewalk Project
  - Have not yet heard back from WYDOT on the new agreement.
- Wright Street Extension
  - Kevin Paul has hired Sunrise Engineering to complete the engineering services on Wright Street. Robert reported that the surveying is complete and the

elevations to the manholes have been made. Hebdon Construction is the contractor for the project.

#### **Cade Roberts**

- Mr. Roberts approached the Town Council requesting permission to put livestock on the 20 acres of land that the Town of Thayne owns out by the sewer property. Cade stated that the Roberts family would take care of the fencing that would be needed as well as plow the property. Councilman Heward stated that last year the Town was approached by a different individual to do the same thing and the Town decided not to allow it.
- The Council decided that allowing livestock on the property would be a great way to maintain the grass but an advertisement will be placed in the local newspaper requesting proposals so that all community members are aware.

#### **Joe Heward**

- Joe stated that he is speaking on behalf of his son Taggart Heward who was absent due to a track meet. Every year Taggart purchases a business license for the Icery Shack and sells at Town of Thayne sporting events. The Town Council agreed to allow Taggart to sell his iceys on town property

#### **Motion to approve Taggart's business license and allow him to sell on Town of Thayne Property.**

**Motion**-Councilman Woolley

**Seconded**-Councilman Wicks

**Motion Carried**

#### **Thayne Senior Center**

- Melinda Pebbles represented the Thayne Senior Center and asked for the Town's support and a contribution to the center. Melinda stated that last year the center served over 17,000 meals and delivered over 4,000 to individual homes. All grants that the Thayne Senior Center receives require a local match and the contribution from the Town of Thayne would help the center to reach that match.

#### **James Ogden-225 BBQ Restaurant Business License**

- Mr. Ogden stated that his new restaurant will mostly be a fast in and out/take out restaurant. James also mentioned that he has three parking spots allotted to his building which allows him to have nine seats within the building.

#### **Motion to approve a business license for 225 BBQ Etc.**

**Motion**-Councilman Heward

**Seconded**-Councilman Schwab

**Motion Carried**

#### **Carly Jensen-DUP July 4<sup>th</sup> Event**

- Carly addressed the Town Council with the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration events. The Town Council decided that the 2019 Grand Marshall will be Betty Pendleton and the 2018 theme is One Nation under God with Liberty and Justice for All. Carly stated that there

is some concern with the safety of the parade with the throwing of candy off of the floats and children getting ran over along with the Thayne Fire Department and the water that is used. Mayor Simpson stated that the Town will keep the water in the parade. Simpson commented that he feels the fire department makes our parade unique and many people come just for that. The water free zones were discussed and Mayor Simpson stated that he will meet with the Fire Department to make clear plans. The DUP is planning to have the patriotic music festival again this year. The Town Council agreed upon covering the financial costs for the July 4<sup>th</sup> events.

#### **Bruce Dana Zoning Change Proposal- Ordinance No. 346**

- Mayor Simpson asked for public comments, concerns or questions regarding the proposed zoning change on Hokanson Ave for Bruce Dana and stated that the Town of Thayne had received one letter in opposition from Barbara Coggins.
- Debra Newman was opposed to the zoning change and stated that there are currently 23 families that live on Hokanson Ave and feels as though there is enough traffic and doesn't want the street to be more crowded than it already is.
- Paula Newman was also opposed to the zoning change on Hokanson Ave and stated that she has the same concerns that Debra had along with she doesn't want to see the property taxes raise more.
- Mayor Simpson asked for comments from the Town Council. Mayor Simpson asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 346 for a zoning change for Bruce Dana on Hokanson Ave and first reading. **Motion Failed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading.**
- Bruce Dana commented that he has completed work and given multiple donations to the surrounding landowners and feels as though he has been held hostage. Dana asked what he is allowed to do with a residential zone. Councilman Woolley stated that single family homes are allowed but a 1,500sqft lot is required.
- Mayor Simpson stated that the issue he sees is that his lot is surrounded by residential lots and there is currently not a mixed used zone within the Town of Thayne. The Town Council has to follow what the current ordinances say.

#### **Kevin Paul Zoning Change Proposal – Ordinance No. 347**

- Mayor Simpson asked for public comments, concerns or questions regarding the proposed zoning change from AR-1 to C-2 on Wright Street for Kevin Paul and stated that the Town of Thayne had received one letter in opposition from Cindy Jaques and Kristee Coleman. Mrs. Jaques stated that she is concerned with the increase in traffic on the street and that changing the zoning of the Paul lots will decrease the value of her land.
- Kevin Paul stated that with requesting this zoning change, it was originally the Town of Thayne's idea. Kevin stated that there is a large housing need and if the lot size requirements of a minimum of 1,500sqft in a residential zone were not as large, single family residences and lots would be more desirable.
- Mayor Simpson asked for any other comments from the Town Council. Councilman Wicks stated that it would be a good idea to readdress the residential lot size ordinance and agreed that there is a need for housing. Mayor Simpson asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 347 on 1<sup>st</sup> reading

**Motion to approve Ordinance 347 zoning change for Kevin Paul from AR-1 to C-2.**

**Motion**-Councilman Wicks

**No Second Was Made**

**Motion Failed on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

- Mayor Simpson stated that his concern is that 10 to 20 years from now, all of these new multiple family housing units will turn into low income housing.

**Allen Allred and Katherine Rainey**

- Allen Allred was representing Mr. Derek Wright concerning 120 Wright Street. Mr. Wright would like the Town Council's permission to place seasonal RV pads on his property at 120 Wright Street. Councilman Heward mentioned that with seasonal RVs there can be one water and one sewer hookup but if the RVs become permanent there will have to be a separate water and sewer hookup for every RV. The Town Council stated that Mr. Wright will need to fill out a business license application with the Town of Thayne.

**Cindy Winchester**

- Cindy asked the council if she would need to apply for a building permit to construct a new front porch on her home. The Council responded that if it is a permanent structure a building permit is required.

**Councilman Heward**

- Water Update
  - Mayor Simpson updated the Town Council on the Bear Hollow Subdivision. Kevin Voyles is currently working on an agreement between the Town of Thayne and the Bear Hollow Subdivision as well as completing the paperwork for the transfer of the pump house from the Meadows to the Town of Thayne.
- Parks Update
  - Councilman Heward stated that the Town has received three bids for 2019 lawn care however Tony Wolfley has since pulled his bid. A bid from Otessa Olsen for \$1,650 was received along with a bid from Quality Pump & Drilling Lawn Care for \$1,968.00

**Motion to award Otessa Olsen with the 2019 Town of Thayne Lawn Care.**

**Motion**-Councilman Heward

**Seconded**-Councilman Woolley

**No Vote**- Councilman Wicks

**Motion Carried**

- Mayor Simpson added that he would like to have Cliff out to fertilize all town properties.
- Recreation update
  - Councilman Heward notified the Town Council that Angela Fleck is moving so there will be a vacancy for the Recreation Coordinator position. Heward mentioned that Angela's assistant Katherine Kresan would like the position.

- There was a total of 8 Co-ed volleyball teams this year and 229 children currently signed up for the summer baseball season.
- The Town of Thayne received the grant from the Lincoln County Recreation Commission to purchase new soccer nets and new footballs for our recreation program.
- Thayne Community Center Update
  - The heating computer has gone down at the community center and a new program is needed. The Town of Thayne received a bid of \$3,700 for the new computer system.

#### **Councilman Wicks**

- EMT Report
  - No Report
- Fire Department Report
  - No Report

#### **Councilman Schwab**

- Councilman Schwab stated that the manholes on Wright Street have been exposed and Cliff is working to get those sealed tight.

#### **Councilman Woolley**

- Emergency Management Report
  - Councilman Woolley doesn't believe that much is happening with the Emergency Management Plan for the Town of Thayne for a while. Pat Aullman's health is not well and she is currently looking to sell her home.
- Streets Report
  - Councilman Woolley mentioned that Cliff has been working on getting all of the streets swept.
  - Mayor Simpson mentioned the meeting minutes of the Thayne beatification committee. The Committee would like to have the streets/sidewalks swept and sprayed off where they plan to put the planters. The Town Cleanup day is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup> at pm and the town Arbor Day event is currently being planned.

#### **Mayor Simpson**

- Ordinance 338 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading
  - Ordinance 338 will allow the Town of Thayne to charge 125% of the base rate for water only; this ordinance does not include sewer service charges. Overage fees and sewer fees will remain the same as what the Town currently charges its residents. Simpson asked for thoughts and concerns regarding Ordinance 338 from the Town Council; no concerns were expressed

#### **Motion to pass Ordinance 338 on 3<sup>rd</sup> reading**

**Motion-** Councilman Heward

**Seconded-** Councilman Woolley

**Motion Carried**

- Ordinance 339-344 2019/2020 Town of Thayne Budget 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
  - Mayor Simpson asked for any comments regarding the Town of Thayne 2019/2020 Budget, no comments were given

**Motion to pass Ordinances 339-344 on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading.**

**Motion**-Councilman Woolley  
**Seconded**-Councilman Heward  
**Motion Carried**

- Ordinance 345 Brown Annexation 1<sup>st</sup> reading
  - Mayor Simpson asked for any comments regarding the Brown Annexation, no comments were given

**Motion to pass Ordinance 345 on 1<sup>st</sup> reading.**

**Motion**-Councilman Heward  
**Seconded**-Councilman Woolley  
**Motion Carried**

- We Play Unplugged
  - Mayor Simpson asked for the Town Council's thoughts on participating in the We Play Unplugged program again this year. The Council agreed to participate and would like the focus to be on the Thayne outdoor basketball courts.
- Mayor Simpson asked for any discussion on the Current WAM Resolutions. No comments were given.
- Simpson mentioned to the Council that he would like to work on the Ordinances for building permits and town zoning. This project will be a huge undertaking and will take a lot of time. Councilman Heward stated that he would like to see a planning and zoning board formed again.

**Sarah Hale- Star Valley Chamber of Commerce**

- Sarah informed the Town Council of the Wyo GIS Summit scheduled for May along with the Health and Safety Expo on May 9<sup>th</sup> at the Thayne Community Center and the Small Business Development Center scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup>. Sarah thanked the Thayne Town Council for allowing the Star Valley Chamber of Commerce to meet at the Thayne Town Hall monthly.

**Motion to go into Executive Session @ 7:44 pm**

**Motion**-Councilman Woolley  
**Seconded**-Councilman Heward  
**Motion Carried**

**Motion to return to regular Meeting @7:52 pm**

**Motion**-Councilman Wicks  
**Seconded**-Councilman Schwab  
**Motion Carried**

**No Action Was Taken**

- Thayne Fire District
  - Mayor Simpson updated the Town Council on the Thayne Fire District. Kevin Voyles, Thayne Fire Department, Town of Star Valley Ranch Mayor, County Commissioners, Dan Dockstader and Mayor Simpson have all met to discuss the Mid Valley Fire District. May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 will be the starting point and we will be given 6 months to acquire 25% of citizen signatures and 25% of assessed land value signatures in order to be placed on the primary ballot June 2020

**Motion to ratify checks**

- Motion-** Councilman Woolley
- Seconded-** Councilman Heward
- Motion Carried**

**Motion to pay bills**

- Motion-** Councilman Woolley
- Seconded-** Councilman Wicks
- Motion Carried**

Mayor Simpson and Councilman Heward were excused from the meeting. Mayor Simpson left Councilman Wicks in charge.

**Motion to adjourn meeting**

- Motion-** Councilman Woolley
- Seconded-** Councilman Schwab
- Motion Carried**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:11 P.M.**

**General Bills:**

Dearborn National Life Insurance	life insurance	\$22.02
Pioneer Equipment	Skid Steer	\$45,142.42
Manwaring Web Solutions	website hosting fee	\$20.00
Sterling Codifiers	half payment of codification	\$3,600.00
Star Valley Glass and Lock	supplies	\$25.00
Star Valley Quick Stop	fuel	\$70.18
Surveyor Scherbel	surveying	\$7,686.50
SVI Media	advertising	\$765.75
Turning Point	donation	\$400.00
Jenny Woolstenhulme	Recreation-volleyball	\$175.00
Janey Young	recreation-volleyball	\$175.00
Jenna Young	recreation-volleyball	\$175.00
Katie Kresan	recreation-volleyball	\$70.00
Emily Strasburg	recreation-volleyball	\$40.00
Piper Crosland	recreation-volleyball	\$175.00

Kaelee Opitz	recreation-volleyball	\$35.00
Pam Padilla	recreation-volleyball	\$175.00
Keelee Schreiber	recreation-softball	\$1,768.50
Salt River Motors	maintenance	\$35.99
Fenton's Office Solutions	fenton's maintenance	\$41.71
Wyoming Retirement System	retirement	\$1,105.28
Wyoming Signs	streets	\$1,097.55
Amy Hansen	spin classes	\$145.00
Shari Hofhiens	spin classes	\$252.50
Luthi & Voyles	legal	\$1,122.00
BISCO	supplies	\$229.63
Kathy Robinson	spin classes	\$157.50
BISCO	supplies	\$23.80
Manwaring Web Solutions	website hosting fee	\$20.00
Echo Services	repairs and maintenance	\$467.30
Star Valley Disposal	waste removal	\$137.00
Sunrise Engineering	engineering	\$7,499.50
ALSCO	uniforms	\$74.00
All Star Auto	repairs/supplies	\$213.78
Ferguson Waterworks	water supplies	\$760.41
Fenton's Office Solutions	fenton's maintenance	\$39.83
Energy Labs	sewer testing	\$189.00
Caselle	Caselle maintenance	\$728.00
Gem State Paper and Supply	paper supplies	\$302.84
Lincoln County Sheriff's Office	communications	\$543.00
Lincoln Self Reliance	community center cleaning	\$630.00
Lower Valley Energy	electricity	\$6,392.49
On Call of Wyoming	dig tickets	\$1.50
Silver Star Communications	telephone/internet	\$825.28
Skinner Service and Auto Body	repairs and maintenance	\$126.00
Thayne True Value	supplies	\$67.87
Town of Afton	lab testing	\$37.00
Valley Tech	computer maintenance	\$95.99
Valley Wide COOP	propane	\$708.42
WEX Bank	fuel	\$126.73
Wyoming Department of Workforce Services	workers compensation	\$2,235.71
Salaries		\$9,792.62

**EMT Bills:**

Town of Thayne	GPS Service	\$48.47
Wyoming Retirement System	retirement	\$255.00
Wyoming Department of Workforce Services	Workers Compensation	\$563.39
Silver Star Communications	telephone/internet	\$184.54
Madison Memorial Hospital-MMH Training	CPR Training	\$148.00
Chevron	fuel	\$287.54
Caselle	Caselle maintenance	\$45.00
Lower Valley Energy	electricity	\$132.71
Star Valley Medical Center	supplies	\$572.32



Valley Market	training	\$32.47
Salaries		\$2,152.55

**Fire Department Bills:**

Paul Petersen	awards reimbursement	\$445.90
Wyoming Retirement System	retirement	\$405.00
Wyoming Department of Workforce Services	workers compensation	\$1,120.39
Town of Thayne	GPS Service	\$60.61
All Star Auto	repairs and maintenance	\$99.90
Thayne True Value	training	\$60.10
Lower Valley Energy	electricity	\$416.73
Silver Star Communications	telephone/internet	\$64.99
L.N Curtis Tools	equipment	\$2,004.31