MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TOWN OF OPHIR, CO 81426 TUESDAY JANUARY 21ST, 2025 7:00 PM

Voting Members: John Gerona, Janice Gerona, Daniel Forgrave, Jerry Oyama, Allyn Hart, Mark Rosenthal, Slator Aplin, Eric Beerman, Phil Hayden, Gunnar Doyle, Joe Schults, Teri Steinberg, Leigh Hayden, Kim Wheels, Lucas Leighton, Shoshanna Pollack, Natalie Fijalkowski, Tyler Schultz, Marc Campbell, Anabelle O'Neill, Jonathan Cooper, Andy Ward, Ben Foster

Non-Voting: John Wontrobski, Cindy Wyszynski

1. CALL TO ORDER

Andy Ward calls the meeting to order at 7:04pm

2. ADOPTION & SIGNATURE- December 17, 2024 Regular GA minutes

Mark Rosenthal motions, Gunnar seconds. Approved via unanimous vote.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Gunnar motions, Teri seconds. Approved via unanimous vote.

4. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Elections: Town Staff and P&Z members (*=incumbent)
 - i. Town Elected Officials/Staff
 - 1. Mayor- Andy Ward*
 - 2. Clerk- Ben Foster*
 - 3. Treasurer- Cindy Wyszynski*

Town staff were voted on as a group. Jerry motions, Eric seconds. Vote passed via unanimous approval.

ii. P&Z Members

- 1. Phil Hayden*
- 2. Dan Forgrave*

Commission members were voted on as a group. Gunnar motions, Jerry seconds. Vote passed via unanimous approval.

5. STAFF REPORTS

a. Town Manager

The company that designed and built Ophir's water system hired a new maintenance person, and they will make quarterly visits to inspect our system.

b. Mayor

Andy discussed wildfire risk with Tyler Schultz, who will be looking into setbacks and other related issues this spring. Phil asks about evacuation drilling. John W. and Andy have discussed and will meet with county fire department about scheduling. Joe notes that the building code could be updated for more fireproof materials to be used in construction.

c. Clerk

Town email list signup is now on the Ophir website home page. Working on community wide communication via text message next.

- d. OEC No update
- e. P&Z
- i. P&Z Public Hearing- Feb 12, 2025 at 6 pm- Proposed Ordinance to Allow development in Moderate Avalanche Zone

February GA will be the best time to discuss this issue. Mark Campbell requests that the current avalanche map be emailed to residents. Johnny Gerona requested that the lots impacted by zoning change be highlighted on the map. Phil asks who is initiating the ordinance. John W. responds that it is under the direction of the GA. Phil asks why P&Z is having an executive session at their next meeting. John W. responds that it is to understand the ramifications of adoption of the proposed ordinance and how it would affect the threat of lawsuit.

6. NEW BUSINEESS

None!

7. ADJOURN

Andy motions to adjourn @ 7:39pm

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