

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY**

**TOWN OF OPHIR, CO 81426**

**TUESDAY, February 18th, 2020 7:00 PM  
OPHIR TOWN HALL 36 PORPHYRY ST.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

(7:07PM)( Sydney Roop, Ken Haynes, John Humphries, Corinne Platt, Dick Unruh, Andy Martin, Valerie Sloan, Phil Hayden, Jesse Rose (7:30)

**ADOPTION & SIGNATURE OF January 21st, 2020 MEETING  
MINUTES**

Phil moves to approve, Sydney seconds, 8 in favor.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Sydney motions to approve, Corinne seconds, 8 in favor.

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. Reading and Approval of Resolution 2020-1, Resolution for Exemption from Audit-** Ken motions to table the Resolution, Dick seconds, 8 in favor. Town staff has not received the audit yet.

**B. 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2019-6, Approval of Agreement with Bee Happy Lands for Weed Management Services-** Sydney discusses the changes recommended by the OEC. Sydney motions to approve 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2019-6, Approval of Agreement with Bee Happy Lands for Weed Management Services, Phil seconds, 7 in favor, 1 abstain.

**C. San Miguel County Work Session- February 19th 12:00pm-** Town of Ophir will be discussing the road condition, weed management, etc with San Miguel County on February 19th @ 12:00 Miramonte Building in Telluride. The meeting will be for about 45 minutes. Avalanche management on the Ophir Road will also be discussed as well as summer maintenance on the road. Especially in regard to potholes, washboard, and the findings of mine tailing on the road. Winter maintenance in regard to plowing, destroying vegetation, possibly spreading weed seeds with how wide the road is being plowed at.

Maintenance of the Ophir Road from Old Ophir to East Ophir, through Spring Gulch.

#### **D. Preliminary Discussion- Potential Town of Ophir Employee**

**Housing-** Ophir currently doesn't have employee housing and the Town of Ophir wants the Town Manager to live in Ophir where he or she may live and be able to respond to water, plowing, etc issues. Ideas include, possibly a rezone of an open space lot to create a lot where Town of Ophir Town Manager may reside. Town of Ophir possibly buy a house for sale for employee housing? There are grants for building, not for purchasing. Another idea: abut units becoming up to code and making the units legal- additional trash & water fees. After discussion with the GA, town staff will be explore options for Town of Ophir employee housing. If there are any rental options available, please let the Town of Ophir know.

### **5. STAFF REPORTS**

**Corinne- Mayor-** Increased use of illegal snowmobiling on Town roads. Snowmobiling is illegal on any Town property. Town of Ophir can enforce this, but has no teeth because we do not hold a Municipal Court- where our ordinances and LUC codes can be enforced in a court of law. Town staff will be meeting with a new Forest Service ranger at the next staff meeting. She will come to a GA to introduce herself at a meeting soon.

**Ken- Town Manager-** Corinne, Ken, Sydney, Tyler, and Randy held an emergency management meeting with San Miguel County last month. The emergency staff is hoping to run a "drill" of a forest fire evacuation drill sometime in the spring. Town of Ophir is hoping to install a siren for use only for emergencies in the future.

**Val- P&Z Chair-** Valerie has taken the position of P&Z Chairman, working on the Master Plan. P&Z goal to make it more readable. Creating efficiency with the building department and encouraging more electronic communication with plans and permits. LUC code says there must be 3 sets of plans, Ken & Val both agree if we move towards a more electronic form of documents.

**Syd- Clerk-** No staff report.

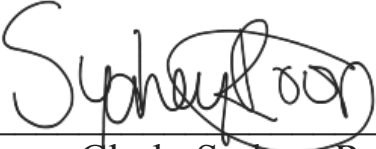
**Monica- OEC Chair-** OBC has dropped their application for the Bike Trail through Spring Gulch. OEC will be working on the Master Plan.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

Dick Unruh is requesting the house of Ophir Town Hall for Precinct 2, March 3rd, Caucus meeting. Town staff needs Town Hall for the staff meeting on 3/02 @ 6:00PM.

**7. ADJOURN**

John motions to adjourn, Phil seconds, All in favor- 8. Meeting ends at 8:21PM.

  
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Town Clerk, Sydney Roop

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Mayor, Corinne Platt

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*Minutes prepared by Sydney Roop, Town Clerk*