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MINUTES  
TOWN OF AVOCA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 11, 2023

**Call to order**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Whitehorn

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of silence**

**Public forum (Agenda item)**

Kim Whitehorn would like to see the cars on Hobbs that have no tires removed.

**Council Roll Call – by Rec/Tres. Barnes**

Present: Mayor Robert Whitehorn

Rec/Tres. Nanette Barnes

ALD: Kathy Hansen, Jeannie Rollins, Oscar Alvarenga and Jay King

Absent: ALD: Katie Rairdon

**Staff**

Present: Town Attorney: Ed McClure

Zoning Official: Tim DePue

Town Maintenance: Chris Rogers

Absent: None

**Guests**

Kim Whitehorn

Butch Stout (AFD)

**Declaration of quorum**

Mayor Whitehorn declared a quorum was present

**Consent of Agenda**

Ald. Alvarenga made a motion for consent of agenda. Seconded by Ald. Hansen. Discussion; none. All approved. Motion carried.

**Consent of minutes for council meeting**

Ald. Alvarenga made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 13, 2023 regular council meeting, as written. Seconded by Ald. Rollins. Discussion; none. All approved. Motion carried.

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**Financial statement**

June 2023; Financial report presented by Rec/Tres. Barnes. Ald. King made a motion to accept the June 2023 Financials as presented. Seconded by Ald. Hansen. Discussion; None. All approved. Motion carried.

**Staff Report – Rec/Tres. Barnes**

**1. Avoca Fire & Rescue**

Fire Chief Elliott states the Avoca Fire & Rescue ran a total of 23 calls for June, and 261 for the year.

Water Rescue: 1	Misc.: 5	Medical: 6
Public Service: 4	Canceled: 7	

**2. NEBCO EMS**

Rec/Tres. Barnes states NEBCO ran a total of 15 calls for June, and 179 for the year

Medical calls: 15

**3. Social-Media**

Ald. Hansen stated the towns website was down today. Rec/Tres. Barnes states she will look into it and get it fixed ASAP.

**4. Business Permits (6 Renewal & 2 New) for June 2023**

Red Wolf Technical, Inc.

Beaver Tails Fayetteville (FT-Pop Up)

**5. Building & Inspection Permits for June, 2023**

AB Garage Holdings; 325 WS. Hwy 62

Jose Torres; 105 Russell Road

**6. Events**

a. None

**Committee Reports:**

**1. Planning commission – Chairmen Alvarenga**

- a. Hidden Forrest Subdivision –Clearing has begun for electric
- b. Tall Trees Subdivision – Phase I: Tucks Chapel Road – was approved per Ald. Alvarenga
- c. Old Wire Road; curbs & sidewalks – Mayor Whitehorn states he has hired Cooper Smith to work on this project for \$2000 (two thousand dollars) plus what it will cost for seed and hay.
- d. Lot Split: 11260 N Old Wire Road – Felicitas Camacho – denied per Ald. Alvarenga due to no 911 address being assign to property.

**2. Board of Zoning Adjustments– Chairmen Alvarenga**

- a. No update per Ald. Alvarenga.

**3. Zoning Official – Tim DePue**

- a. No update per Zoning official DePue.

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**4. Town Maintenance – Chris Rogers**

- a. Chris Rogers states they have been mowing and maintaining the parks.

**5. Streets – Ald. King**

- a. Impact Fees: No updates at this time, Ald. King & Hansen are to meet to get this project started.
- b. Road Paving; State Aid – No update

**6. Park – Ald. Hansen**

- a. Fix Fence: Rec/Tres. Barnes informed council members the Fence Guys will be starting this project on July 18<sup>th</sup>, and should take three days to complete.

**7. Grants – Ald. Rairdon**

- a. Hazard Mitigation Grant; Town Hall Generator; Rec/Tres. Barnes states the generator has arrived. Mayor Whitehorn has been in contact with Black Hills on their part of the installation process.
- b. Replace or add to kid's area (Fun Park Grant); No update
- c. Lighting across from Town Hall (50/50 grant); no update

**8. ARPA Funds (American Rescue Plan) – Ald. Rollins**

- a. Ald. Rollins has a meeting on July 13<sup>th</sup> to get updates on what the town can and cannot use these funds for.

**Old Business**

1. None

**New Business**

1. None

**Mayor for the Good of Town**

None

**Town Council Member's Personal Privilege (Any matter); 3 Minutes**

**Council Member Hansen** – asked who placed the share the road sign on Old Wire & Lester. Mayor stated no one from the town and asked Chris Rogers to remove the sign. Ald. Hansen requested we get microphones for the council members due to being unable to hear what somethings are being said. Rec/Tres. Barnes states she will look into this.

**Council Member King** – Asked that we contact the developers of the Hidden Forrest Subdivision and ask them to mow the lots, due to the grass being high.

**Council Member Alvarenga** – would like the towns rental shop building be cleaned up and power washed.

**Council Member Rairdon** – Absent

**Council Member Rollins** – None

**Recorder/Treasurer Barnes** – None

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**Announcements**

1. Regular Planning Meeting scheduled for July 18, 2023
2. Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 8, 2023
3. Board of Zoning meeting is scheduled for December 19, 2023

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Ald. Alvarenga and seconded by Ald. Hansen to adjourn meeting at 6:57 pm.  
Discussion: none. All approved. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Nanette Barnes  
Recorder-Treasurer

Approved

  
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Mayor Robert Whitehorn

Attest

  
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Recorder/Treasurer Nanette Barnes