

**Town of Ellenburg
Office of the Town Clerk**

**Minutes of the Town Board
Regular Board Meeting
December 14, 2023 at 6:00 PM**

Supervisor, Jason Dezan, opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was held for friends that have passed on, Service men and women and first responders.

Roll Call:	Jason Dezan	<u>Yes</u>
	Debra Grogan	<u>Yes</u>
	Neil Trombley	<u>Yes</u>
	Deryl Gregory	<u>Yes</u>
	Nathan Bombard	<u>Yes</u>

Supervisor Dezan then opened the floor to questions and comments:

- There were none from anyone in attendance.

Reports were the next item on the agenda

Supervisor Dezan then read the monthly financial report for November 2023.

Motion: Neil Trombley Second: Nathan Bombard

Vote: Dezan-Abstain, Bombard-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Grogan-Yes

Supervisor Dezan asked for a motion to pass the minutes from the November regular meeting minutes.

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Neil Trombley

Vote: Grogan-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Bombard-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Dezan-Yes

Supervisor Dezan called for the town clerk's report. Bethany Fortin stated that business was functioning as usual.

Supervisor Dezan asked if the Highway Superintendent had anything to report, Bradley was absent this meeting.

Supervisor Dezan then asked for the code officer's report. Adam Trombley stated he had one complaint about the mausoleum.

Supervisor Dezan then called for the Historian's report, Joan Hobbs was absent this meeting.

Supervisor Dezan stated that the Youth report was that basketball signups were going on and soccer coaches have been paid. Jason is still looking into insurance things.

The next item on the agenda were council member reports:

Deryl Gregory – Deryl Gregory reported the following:

- Deryl reported there is a blood drive on the 19th at the church hall from 4-7
- January 21st KoC is hosting a free throw competition and registration is at noon. This will be the first of four of these. Any age up to 16.
- He and Deb went and did the court audit on Monday and that went well.

Debra Grogan – Debra Grogan reported the following

- Debra reported her and Deryl went to the senior housing party and had a great time.
- Debbie attended the Ellenburg Center Fire Department Christmas party and the town was recognized for the EMS. There were many awards given at the party.
- Debbie attended the windmill meeting. Landowners are going to be compensated for the loss of windmills on their land. AES is looking at GE windmills. Invenergy said that the county is still negotiating the PILOT, and the application will be ready in January. Marie is down in NYC meeting with the governor soon about the windmills. The battery storage law, Eric, our attorney is doing research on that now. Jason asked if we were going to re-negotiate the HOST agreement with AES, Debbie stated she would discuss this with them. The battery storage is so new that there is not a lot of information to base it off of.

Neil Trombley – Neil Trombley reported the following:

- Neil reported he has been working with Shannon on planning. Working on swimming grants and we are back in with the Highway garage if there is a generator that becomes available.
 - Jason stated that we are going to make a “building reserve fund” at the beginning of 2024 to be able to spend funds on things that we need for daily operation.

- Looks like we could be getting anywhere up to \$600,000 from FEMA for the flooding.

Nathan Bombard – Nathan Bombard reported the following:

- Nathan had no report this month.

Supervisor Dezan then opened the floor to old business

- Jason stated that the SALT shed is finalized. There are a few resolutions tonight to finish out the loans. By January 30th we should have everything done. Interest on the loan was \$41,000. Everything included, our loan is going to be around \$648,769.00.
- Mausoleum is at \$222,825.47 for the year in revenues.

Supervisor Dezan then opened the floor to new business

The resolutions are the next topic of discussion:

Resolution 23-112

To pay vouchers 413 to 436 in the General Fund in the amount of \$27,922.21.

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Neil Trombley

Vote: Trombley-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Yes, Bombard-Yes, Gregory-Yes

Resolution 23-113

To pay vouchers 211 to 223 in the Highway Fund in the amount of \$71,965.52.

Motion: Neil Trombley Second: Nathan Bombard

Vote: Trombley-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Yes, Bombard-Yes, Gregory-Yes

Resolution 23-114

To transfer \$9,959.65 of the capital account (Salt Shed) to repay building and grounds for paying for Liz Tedford consulting fees.

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Deryl Gregory

Vote: Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Yes, Bombard-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Trombley-Yes

Resolution 23-115

Loan Resolution

Note: See Attachment

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Neil Trombley

Vote: Bombard-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Grogan-Yes

Resolution 23-116

Resolution to amend the Form E Administration budget amounts and or contracts as set forth in a form E-project budget document (See attached resolutions)

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Neil Trombley

Vote: Grogan-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Bombard-Yes, Trombley-Yes

Resolution 23-117

General fund budget transfers

Note: See attachment

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Nathan Bombard

Vote: Gregory-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Yes, Bombard-Yes

Resolution 23-118

Highway fund budget transfers

Note: See attachment

Motion: Neil Trombley Second: Deryl Gregory

Vote: Grogan-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Bombard-Yes, Trombley-Yes

Resolution 23-119

To use the loan of \$200,000 that was given to the Highway department to cover D5112.4 Improvements (117,774.97) and D5110.4 (58,886.49) repayment of loan to be made with FEMA money from July Storms

Motion: Neil Trombley Second: Debra Grogan

Vote: Gregory-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Yes, Bombard-Yes

Resolution 23-120

To accept the audit at the courts that was done by Debra Grogan and Deryl Gregory on December 11, 2023

Motion: Neil Trombley Second: Nathan Bombard

Vote: Bombard-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Gregory-Abstain, Grogan-Abstain

Resolution 23-121

To move Zach Grogan from part time to full time starting January 1, 2024

Motion: Neil Trombley Second: Nathan Bombard

Vote: Trombley-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Abstain, Bombard-Yes, Gregory-Yes

Resolution 23-122

To take over responsibility of the Ellenburg Sarah A Munsil library as of January 1, 2023

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Nathan Bombard

Vote: Gregory-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Grogan-Yes, Bombard-Yes

Resolution 23-123

To transfer \$30,000 from the crematorium savings to A8810.4 cemetery contractual to cover cost for the 2023 budget year.

Motion: Debra Grogan Second: Neil Trombley

Vote: Bombard-Yes, Dezan-Yes, Trombley-Yes, Gregory-Yes, Grogan-Yes

Supervisor Dezan then closed the floor as there were no more public comments.

Supervisor Dezan asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM

Motion: Nathan Bombard Second: Jason Dezan

The next regular meeting will be held on January 16, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Bethany Drown Fortin, Ellenburg Town Clerk