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**TOWN OF ALPINE  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
MARCH 21ST, 2006**

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(clerk's note: Tape # 1 of 1 starts here. Minutes are a summary only of a tape-recorded meeting.)

Mayor David Lloyd called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and held the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was established by the clerk through a roll call. Council members present: D.R. Hutchinson, Shirley Brown, Don Jorgensen, and Steve Fusco. Mayor David Lloyd present as well. Others present: see attached list.

**A. ACTION ITEMS AND NEW BUSINESS:**

- **COUNCIL MINUTES:** Mayor Lloyd called for a motion to approve the March 7th, 2006 Council Minutes. **Don Jorgensen so moved. D.R. Hutchinson seconded.** Mayor Lloyd advised he wanted to discuss the minutes in regard to the second paragraph of the third (3rd) page when Dave Jenkins, local business owner, addressed the council. Mayor Lloyd summarized the minutes and indicated Steve Fusco agreed with Dave Jenkins; the mayor read from the minutes in which Mr. Fusco is quoted as saying that he agreed with Dave Jenkins and that "we" have been waiting for Mr. Halpin to come and talk to us and he had asked him to come and talk to the council and that the board didn't have the same desire. Mr. Lloyd stated, "I disagree with that very strongly. I mean you included the council here as not wanting him to come here and I don't think anybody on this council has ever said that they didn't want Mr. Halpin to come in here." Steve Fusco replied, "Not that they didn't want it, but to start negotiations on water and sewer that's what I was referring to. When I asked to start negotiations on water and sewer that I was met um that I went behind the mayor's back and they didn't feel we can talk about water and sewer at this time." Mayor Lloyd advised he never said that Mr. Fusco went behind his back. Mr. Fusco stated, "Well, Ok you had egg on your face when you talked to Mr. Halpin. That's what I was referring to when I said we need to start discussing these things sooner than later." Mayor Lloyd advised everyone has received notice that a meeting will be held April 10th and all the lead developers will be involved and everything will be laid out on the table. Mr. Lloyd voiced his dislike for these statements as everyone is here to get along and he feels, as this is public information, it sends a bad message. Mr. Lloyd stated, "I feel we all need to work together and not have that kind of thing come up to where it goes out in our minutes." The clerk questioned whether the quote was to be deleted from the minutes to which the mayor replied, "No it is already in there and all I was trying to do was explain the situation. I just felt it was in bad taste." **VOTE: 5- Yes; 0 - No; 0- Abstain; 0- Absent**
- **Kimberlee Jansen- New Secretary** introduced herself and met with the mayor and council. Mayor Lloyd welcomed her to the new position and expressed his appreciation.
- **Patsy Ohanesian- Replat of Lot # 646 C of LEC – Quote From Surveyor Scherbel dated 3-7-06:** Ms. Ohanesian requests the Town of Alpine pay for ½ of the quoted costs to complete the replat which dedicates a portion of Sunset Drive to the Town of Alpine. To the clerk's understanding, the Town had agreed to verbally pay half and the only fees in addition to the quote would be any advertising fees which may not be covered by the quote. Mayor Lloyd advised the Town's road exists on the property and that is why 50% of the costs were agreed to verbally. The clerk advised Ms. Ohanesian's property pin is located in the middle of the Town's road (Sunset Drive) and the replat is needed to clear up the issue. **D.R. Hutchinson motioned to approve paying ½ the bill. The clerk clarified whether the additional advertising fees is covered by the motion. D.R. Hutchinson advised his motion covers ½ the total bill. Don Jorgensen seconded. Steve Fusco asked the treasurer, Brenda Bennett, about this expenditure to which she asked why is the Town agreeing to pay ½ of the costs to replat something when other people's replats are not covered. The clerk advised the Town's road exists across this private property and the owner has agreed to dedicate the land to the Town at no cost rather than selling the land to the Town at a fair market value. Ms. Bennett felt it was a fair expenditure and advised the current Planning & Zoning**

**budget can cover this expenditure. Mayor called for any further discussion. VOTE: 5- Yes; 0- No; 0- Absent; 0- Abstain**

- **Etna Boy Scout Troop # 774 – Working on their communications badge:** Mayor Lloyd acknowledged the scouts' and leaders' attendance and thanked them for participating.
- **Wyoming Business Council Letter Supporting the Town's Sewer Infrastructure Needs:** Ray Sarcletti is enthusiastic about the Snake River Junction Project due to the 50 % proposed commercial space; the project may fit the Business Ready Communities Grant Program. Mr. Sarcletti mailed a letter to the State Loan and Investment Board on March 8th, 2006 supporting the Town's two SLIB grant applications for a new wastewater treatment plant and collection system expansion (see attached). Mayor Lloyd expressed appreciation for Ray Sarcletti's support of the Alpine Development Group and the SLIB Grant application; he feels it will be very beneficial.
- **ONE-DAY MALT BEVERAGE PERMIT APPLICATION- MELINDA OAKLEY – APRIL 15TH, 2006 B-DAY PARTY:** Mayor Lloyd called for a motion if there is no objection with issuing the permit. **D.R. Hutchinson so moved and Don Jorgensen seconded. VOTE: 5- Yes; 0- No; 0- Absent; 0- Abstain**

B. DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

- **STREETS & ROADS:** Terrace Lane: Letter Received from Shawn Bard dtd. April 29th, 2003 to Betty Rogers from Mayor Lloyd stating road access to Lot # 239 would be installed in the early part of Summer 2003. Mr. Bard was asked to present proof the Town would install the road and, therefore, found this letter in his files. He asked the clerk to forward to the council and mayor for tonight's meeting. The mayor advised this letter was originally sent to Betty Rogers, realtor, on behalf of Leigh Copeland stating the Town would get an access road as he was advised by John Bowers (Town of Alpine Attorney at the time) to deny her to her property is illegal. Shawn Bard now owns the property and the Town is trying to take care of the access to the property through a new, joint replatting effort with several land owners; this written letter or agreement was with the old owner and not Mr. Bard according to Mayor Lloyd. Mr. Fusco feels Mr. Bard has access to his lot and that it may not be the access he wants. D.R. Hutchinson does not feel on the hand there is access to the vacant lot owned by Mr. Bard as he would have to cross private property, as it currently exists, to access his lot; however, if the current, proposed plan is accepted it will give him direct access.  
Snow Removal: D.R. Hutchinson asked for action in cleaning up the Town's roads as many are in poor shape; the hills have not been done and the ruts are causing issues with motorists. Additionally, the ice is freezing in these ruts and the cars can't slow down coming down the hills. Mayor Lloyd advised he will discuss the problems with the contractor and indicated the contractor is afraid to take the road down too far as it may damage the roads and the mayor acknowledged this should not affect the asphalt on the hill. Steve Fusco and they mayor's son has assisted motorists stuck on various town streets. Don Jorgensen stated last weekend Morning Star Drive needed a 4-wheel drive to pass along the streets and acknowledged the contractor did bring a front-end loader to open the road after he called for assistance. The Grey's River Loop and lower bench is really problematic. Don Jorgensen stated the contractor is having difficulty removing the ice layer beneath the slush, which becomes the next days slush layer. D.R. Hutchinson feels that once the slush is removed from the "hill" it should be sanded every morning. Shirley Brown expressed concern the contractor's graters and plows are really damaging the shoulder area of the roads in River View Meadows.
- **SEWER DEPARTMENT:** *March 16th, 2006 Letter from SLIB* – Due to the current rules being no longer applicable, it may be necessary to delay the grant meeting originally scheduled for June 22nd, 2006 to a future date. The Town's SLIB grant application for the new wastewater treatment plant and collection system will be evaluated under a new set of rules. Mayor Lloyd talked to Chris Abernathy today who is hopeful the Town's grant request will move forward.

- **WATER DEPARTMENT:** Mayor Lloyd advised a water test will be conducted April 10th, 2006 by Rendezvous Engineering to test the Town's current pumping capacity. A trench will be created for approximately 500 ft.- 1,000 ft. to carry the testing water to be pumped into vacant land. Northstar Construction will use a blower to move the snow for the trench which will be located by the cattle fence near Monty Nelson's home. The initial pumping phase will be 12 hours and possibly 24 hours if needed. The extra cost to go another 12 hours is about \$10,000.00 which there is no extra money available. Damien Mavis, North Alpine Development Group, has already filed a \$10,000.00 check with the Town to pay for the extra costs if the extra pumping time is utilized. Testing results may not be available prior to the beginning of the Town's workshop set for April 10th, 2006.
- **PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT:**
- **PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT:**
- **POLICE DEPARTMENT/COURT:** Chief Phillips advised training with 1st National Bank regarding possible bank robberies has been completed in conjunction with Lincoln County Sheriff's and the Afton Police Department. Similar training with the Bank of Alpine will happen soon and was rescheduled. The CERT (community emergency response teams) project is moving forward with Jay Hokanson for an Alpine Community Response Team. The avian flu is an example where a CERT plan must be in place to respond to the epidemic if the virus mutates into transferring from human to human contact. The department purchased the tires approved prior by the council
- **PERSONNEL/ ADMINISTRATIVE:**

C. ON-GOING BUSINESS/ INFORMATION:

- **COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM:** Steve Fusco and Shirley Brown attended a County Commissioner meeting to discuss the proposed library expansions in the county. Mr. Fusco advises the commissioners acknowledged there is a need for a library in the Alpine area and they will try to find the monies. Mr. Fusco advised the commissioners did fund \$1.2 Million dollars toward convention centers for Afton and Kemmerer without funding libraries; he disagrees with this prioritizing. The commissioners are looking into a possible modular unit being placed in Alpine. Deb Wolfley thought that Mr. Halpin was going to build the Town a library or Damien Mavis and the Town was supporting the museum. A possible museum will be funded by a private individual at this time to Mr. Jorgensen's understanding. The clerk advised she called Mr. Wolfley directly recently to insure he understood correctly the Town had no formal plans for a library funded by any developer nor a part of the museum endeavor. Essentially, a conversation with Mr. Wolfley from 1 ½ years ago approximately was the basis for his assuming the Town was moving in this direction. The clerk and mayor had shared possible projects and ideas for the community at that time. The clerk advised Mr. Wolfley the mayor and council as well as community feels a library is a top priority.
- **ALPINE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER:** The clerk advised the architect bid process has been extended for one more month and will be on the council's agenda in early May to allow additional time for the architects to submit their bids. She also advised the environmental study is proceeding with several government agencies and the Town's administration participating. The environmental study must be completed and approved by the Wyoming Business Council before the project can proceed, however, at the same time the designating of an architect can occur for when this approval is reached.

D. INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED TO COUNCIL/ DISCUSSION:

- **TOWN WORKSHOP SCHEDULED:** North Alpine Water/ Sewer Workshop with Developers, Engineers, Council, Town Attorney and Planning & Zoning Staff- Monday, April 10th, 2006, 7:00 p.m. – Alpine Town Hall (Mike Halpin, Damien Mavis/ Brad Vernon, Clarence Reinhardt, and Abi Garaman plan to attend). Possible annexations may also be discussed. Steve Fusco reviewed his research finding from Wyoming annexation

§ 15-1-402 which details the requirements in which a municipality will prepare an annexation report. Reviewing the minimum requirements for an annexation report, Mr. Fusco advised the following information is needed: official maps, certification guidelines, total estimate of infrastructure improvements required of all land owners, a list of basic services available to the residents and a reasonable timeframe of when the services will be available, any annual fees for service costs, current and projected mill levies, and the costs of infrastructure improvements required within the existing municipality to accommodate the proposed annexation. He feels the Town has covered many of these such as water, sewer, mill levies, etc. lowering the cost for future annexation reports. Mayor Lloyd has asked for Jim Lubing to attend this meeting. Company owners with franchise agreements with the Town will have to be notified our area is expanding, according to Mayor Lloyd advised Mr. Halpin is paying for the sewer feasibility study at approximately \$46,000.00. Mr. Fusco presented an example from the Town of Jackson titled "Council Agenda Documentation" which is a 2-3 page annexation report for a property in which Mr. Halpin owns (see report dated June 2nd, 2005).

- REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR CANDIDATE: Ray Hunkins will be at the Alpine Civic Center from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. on 4-1-06
- Lincoln Cty. Planning & Development – Notice for April 12th, 2006 Subdivision Hearing 9:00 a.m. Katrina Hoxie
- At the Capitol 3/7/06; 3/8/06; and 3/9/06
- SMOKY CANYON MINE E.I.S. COMMENT PERIOD: 3-8-06 E-mail from Star Valley Chamber of Commerce
- W.A.M. 3-8-06 Information from George Parks: Revenue Projections for Municipalities
- W.A.M. 3-16-06 Newsletter
- W.A.M. George Parks' Email 3-16-06: SLIB information regarding letters from OSLI
- PUBLIC LAND USE COMMITTEE MEETING: March 23rd, 2006, Thursday, Cokeville Town Hall

E. FINANCIALS/ UNPAID BILLS:

Mayor Lloyd asked for a motion to pay the bills. **D.R. Hutchinson motioned to approve payment of the unpaid bills. Don Jorgensen seconded.**

Steve Fusco acknowledged a letter submitted by the mayor from Vice President Dick Cheney thanking him for a Town of Alpine ball cap. Mayor Lloyd met with Dick Cheney while vacationing in Jackson. **VOTE: 5- Yes; 0- No; 0- Abstain; 0- Absent**

Mayor Lloyd advised he would like to go into a work session at the conclusion of the meeting and thanked the Boy Scouts for their participation.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:44 p.m.

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Dave Lloyd, Mayor

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Date

ATTEST:

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Tracy Matthews, Clerk

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Date