

**ENNIS TOWN COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 10, 2019
7:00 P.M.
ENNIS TOWN HALL**

Open Meeting: Mayor Leavitt opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Commission Present: Vincent, Palmerton, Roberts and Bancroft.

Pledge to the Flag

Minutes of the November 8, 2018 Commission Meeting: Palmerton made a motion to accept the minutes. Bancroft seconded the motion.

Discussion: Roberts asked if the Town's portion of \$6,000 can be added to the portion of the minutes dealing with the Montana Main Street Program. The Commission agreed that the amount can be added to the November minutes.

Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved with the addition.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: The Chamber of Commerce was present to invite a Town Commissioner to their next meeting. They are looking for more of a partnership with the Town. Roberts stated she would attend the Chamber meeting on February 6th at 8:00 a.m.

Michael Casey was present to go over some upcoming projects on the East end of Main Street. Mr. Casey showed plans to the Commission and community members present. The proposed plans include a Bath House, Steakhouse, Creamery and expansion of the existing RV Park.

Commissioner Roberts spoke of state code and Town Ordinances that, in her opinion and as the plans for this project are now, go against Town Codes. She stated the RV portion would need to go through the Subdivision process and Town Code states RV Parks require 10 acres.

There was more discussion on the plans. It was suggested that this should be taken to the Planning Board to get a review and for them to make recommendations.

NeighborWorks: Commissioner Vincent explained the program. They work on opportunities for people to live in affordable housing, improve their lives and strengthen their community.

By signing onto their program any person in Ennis can apply for their aid through loans, grants, etc.

The Town will need to send a letter for NeighborWorks to use the HOME program in Ennis and a letter to provide a name that will prepare the Environmental review of a property for determining if it is located in a flood zone or airport clear zone.

Vincent made a motion to do the letters for NeighborWorks to use the HOME program in Ennis. Bancroft seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

Department Reports: Library: Karen Ketchu submitted a written report to the Commission for review and answered questions regarding the Library.

Police Department: A written report was submitted by John Moore for Commission review.

Ambulance: Patti Austin submitted a written report for commission review.

Public Works: A written report was submitted to the commission for review. Kelly Elser answered questions regarding the Public Works Dpt.

Zoning: No report.

Clerk: Ginger Guinn submitted a written report to the commission for review.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Leavitt told the Commission that Ennis has been approved for \$10,000 for the MT. Main Street Program. (The Town will contribute \$6,000 and the Chamber is giving \$500)

Zoning Ordinance work has continued and is close to being ready for review.

The Comley Park Master Plan is complete and there will be 2 options to look at in March.

He met with the Sheriff and Dispatch on Ambulance concerns.

Spoke about having read-only access for department heads on Black Mountain Software.

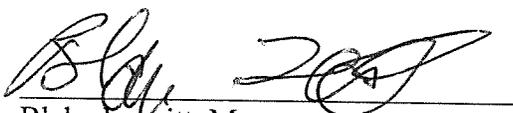
The Tree Board will need a new chairman. We will put it on next month's agenda.

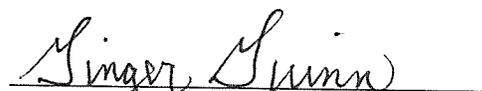
Commission Comments: Commissioner Vincent stated that he is currently in litigation that is unrelated to the Town.

Claims: Palmerton made a motion to approve the claims. Bancroft seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

Adjourn: Bancroft made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Palmerton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: All Commissioners voted yes. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.


Blake Leavitt, Mayor


Ginger Guinn, Clerk/Treasurer