### Town of Carbonado Regular Session of the Town Council Monday, March 11, 2024

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was opened at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Vesey.

### ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: David Rodway, Buck McBride, Joseph Mills and Cedar Argo.

Absent: Clint Emry

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Holli Pendergast, Bradley Cammel, Tom Argo and Courtney Hanson.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Vesey led those in attendance of the council meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ABSENCE EXCUSAL

Mayor Vesey asked for a motion to excuse the absence of Councilmember Emry from the meeting.

**Council Action:** A motion was made by Councilmember Argo to approve the absence of Councilmember Emry from the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodway and carried 4-0.

### WATER USE EFFICIENCY FORUM:

Mayor Vesey informed the public that the Town is required to hold a Public Forum concerning Water Use Efficiency per WAC-246-290-830, every 6 years, to set water use efficiency goals. Public Works, Holli Pendergast, reviewed the demand side accomplishments, which includes water conservation mailers are sent out annually, monthly meter reads as well as provide water consumption charts on utility bills, and replacing meters every 10-15 years. Water rate increases are done as needed. Supply side accomplishments include the replacement of the water supply main as well as the water distribution system. Metering all incoming raw water from the spring line and lowering the backwash filter rinse time from 12 minutes to 7 minutes. The system leakage from 2020 was between 16%-18% and is currently around 2%. Future goals include having a tiering system for water consumption on the consumer side. Continuing educating the public with the water conservation mailers. Piping in new spring lines, metering all hydrant usage and evaluating reclaimed water from backwashes. Discussion followed.

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Vesey opened the Public Hearing for public comments relating to Ordinance 534, amending Ordinance No. 529 to extend the Moratorium on acceptance of processing of applications for water service connections, at 6:43pm. No comments were made. Mayor Vesey closed the public hearing at 6:44p.m.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the March 11th, 2024 Agenda.

Approval of the minutes from the February 12, 2024, Council meeting.

Approval of Claim Warrants 18412, 18421 THRU 18452, FEBRUARY 2024 DOR, Umpqua Bank February 2024, VOID 17991 and 18401 in the amount of \$82,218.51.

Approval of Payroll Warrants 18405 THRU 18411 and 18413 THRU 18420, Direct Deposit Run 2/15/2024 and Direct Deposit Run 3/4/2024 in the amount of \$23.141.17.

**Council Action:** A motion was made by Councilmember Rodway to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McBride and carried 4-0.

# RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

# ORDINANCE NO. 529, WATER MORATORIUM EXTENSION

Mayor Vesey asked for a motion to approve Ordinance No. 534, amending Ordinance No. 529 to extend the moratorium on acceptance of processing of applications for water service connections.

**Council Action:** A motion was made by Councilmember Rodway to approve Ordinance No. 534, amending Ordinance No. 529 to extend the moratorium on acceptance of processing of applications for water service connections. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Argo and carried 4-0.

# **NEW TOWN BUSINESS:**

# BID APPROVAL FOR 7<sup>TH</sup> ST SIDEWALK

Mayor Vesey asked for a motion to approve the lowest responsive bidder, All Terrain Excavating, LLC, for the 7<sup>th</sup> St Sidewalk project.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Argo to approve the lowest responsive bidder, All Terrain Excavating,

LLC, for the 7<sup>th</sup> St Sidewalk project. A motion was seconded by Councilmember McBride. Discussion followed. Motion was carried 4-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

# **REPORTS:**

#### MAYOR

None.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

The Health Department had an inspection at the water plant. It went very well. The Health Department gave them the following suggestions; Instead of using Soda Ash, HD would like them to look into using Sodium Hydroxide, using Whisper Flock, they also stated that the Town needs to find out how many households have lead pipe from the meter to their house. The report for this is due in October 2024. PW will research all suggestions and report back to council. PW also stated that the alarm system at the water plant, which lets the operators know that something is chemically awry, is still not working. Councilmember Mills offered to make phone calls to the companies involved. Discussion followed.

### **CLERK-TREASURER**

Informed council that she will be taking a 2 week leave of absence from March 25<sup>th</sup> – April 8<sup>th</sup>, possibly through April 11<sup>th</sup>. She is requesting council change the next council meeting date from April 8<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. She also asked for council to approve Holli Pendergast to make weekly deposits to the bank instead of anything over \$1000, temporarily while she's gone. **Council Action:** A motion was made by Councilmember Mills to move the next council meeting date from April 8<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> and to approve Holli Pendergast to make weekly deposits to the bank instead of anything over \$1000, temporarily while she's gone. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Argo and carried 4-0.

She reviewed with council, the Carbonado Construction Projects & Grants report with them. She stated this was in leu of a workshop and if any one had specific questions, to please get ahold of her and she will review the project or grant with them.

# COUNCIL

None.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next regular scheduled council meeting will be on Tuesday, April 16th, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

### ADJOURNMENT

Council Action: Councilmember Rodway made a motion to adjourn the council meeting at 7:26 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Argo and carried 4-0.

Sandi Carlson, Clerk-Treasurer

Kevin Vesey, Mayor