**TOWN OF WHITEHALL**

**P.O. BOX 529 WHITEHALL, MT 59759**

**January 23rd, 2025**

*There will be a special council meeting of the Whitehall Town Council on* ***Monday, January 27th, 2025 at 6:00 pm.*** *The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Council Chambers at 207 East Legion Ave.*

The agenda is as follows:

# AGENDA

## CALL TO ORDER

*Roy McBride, Linda Jung, Pat Peterson, Katy James, Bill Lanes, Sara Unruh, Sherry Willamson Kory Klapan. Guests: Maxine Samuelson, Colten Howser, Bridget Morse, Liz Pulman, Jim Buterbaugh*

## INTRODUCTIONS

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

*No Comment*

## AGENDA APPROVAL

*Linda Jung motioned to approve agenda with corrections adding new business, removing Starrbuds from consent agenda and adding to new business, renumbering Roman numerals correctly. Pat Peterson seconded the motion*.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA**
2. WSG:
   1. 7 W. Legion- Billing correction credit <$485.00>
3. Business Licenses:
   1. Highway 55 Auto & Truck Repair, LLC
4. Fire Department:
   1. Volunteer Firefighter:
      1. Devon Beth
      2. Connor Owens
5. Planning Board:
   1. 305 N. Division – Mobile home- Recommending Approval
   2. Board Member Appointments
      1. Jeannie Ferriss
      2. Jenna Gill
   3. Zoning Map Corrections
6. Tiff Board:
   1. $20,000 Rec Complex Rodeo Improvements
   2. $5,000 Town Speed Signs
7. Misc:
   1. Heaven Lee Study Commission appointment
   2. Sherry Williamson Resignation
   3. Sarah Unruh Employment – Clerk

*Linda Jung motioned to approve consent agenda and Bill Lanes seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

1. NEW BUSINESS

## StarrBuds: Cannabis Dispensary

*Linda Jung explained that cannabis shops are required to go in industrial zones and are required to follow conditional use permitting. Our ordinance states that a cannabis shop cannot be within 500 feet of a public building. StarrBuds is only around 430 feet from Public Works. They would have to apply for a variance to go in 14 E Legion. This would be a hardship variance because of the lack of other buildings in industrial zone. Linda motioned to table until variance filled out and Bill Lanes seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

## Resolution: 2025-1 A Resolution of the town council of Whitehall Montana authorizing the designation of signors the Whitehall Rodeo checking account and establishing guidelines for account usage and responsibilities.

*Pat Peterson motioned to approve and Bill Lanes seconded. There was discussion of requiring purchase orders for the rodeo account. Pat Peterson amended the motion to approve with contingency of* *adding the purchase order policy to the resolution. Bill Lanes seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

1. Resolution: 2025-5 A Resolution relating to up to $2,000,000.00 water system revenue bond and a $2,000,000.00 water system revenue bond anticipation note to be issued in anticipation thereof; authorizing the issuance and fixing the terms and conditions thereof in the security, therefore.

*Linda Jung motioned to approve and Bill Lanes seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

1. Resolution: 2025-6 A resolution authorizing certain personnel to obtain and use town credit cards.

*Linda Jung motioned to approve and Katy James seconded. Discussion of adding immediate notification if card is lost or stolen. Linda Jung amended her motion to approve with contingency of adding the immediate notification of lost or stolen cards to the mayor and/or the treasurer. Katy James seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

## XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

*Maxine Samuelson complemented Linda Jung on her dedication to the town. She also wanted to make sure hydrants are flushed annually. Kory Klapan said all hydrants are tested and flushed every year. The only hydrant that was not, was the one in Pullman Park since it is broken and he would like to have it removed. Liz Pullman asked why the time for the meeting was changed. Reason was justified that it was a special meeting. Colton Howser wanted to be added to the list to update him of future changes since he is not on social media.*

## XIV. UNSCHEDULED MATTERS

*Linda Jung and Jim Buterbaugh discussed the study commission. Linda stated that Jim Buterbaugh is the chair, Heaven Lee is the Secretary/Treasurer, and Rhea Armstrong and Linda Jung are also on the commission. Linda Jung wants her phone number and Jim Buterbaugh’s phone number in the paper so the public can contact them.*

## XV BILL/CLAIM APPROVAL LIST TO BE SIGNED BY ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS

*Linda Jung motioned and Katy James seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

## XVI. ADJOURNMENT

*Pat Peterson moved to adjourn and Bill Lanes seconded.*

*Motion carried unanimously.*

**Next Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.**