

**STEVENSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**7:00 p.m.**

Council for the Town of Stevensville came together at Council Chambers, this being the time set for the regular meeting of the Town Council. Mayor Dewey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's Barker, Holcomb, Smith and Michalson were all present. Several members of the public were also present.

The Council and all present then rose, faced the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of minutes from:**

March 12<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting

**Councilmember Holcomb made a motion to approve minutes from the March 12<sup>th</sup> Town Council Meeting as presented. Councilmember Barker seconded the motion and all voted "aye". Motion carried 4-0.**

**Approval of bi-weekly claims:**

Council reviewed the claims as presented.

**Councilmember Holcomb made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Councilmember Barker seconded the motion. Council inquired about several claims. The vote was called and all voted "aye". Motion carried 4-0.**

**Administrative Reports:**

Airport

Airport Manager Paul O'Bagy presented the Airport report and asked the Council to address the airport fees not being paid and suggested doubling the fees if not paid on time.

Building

Council reviewed the monthly building report.

Fire

Fire Chief Motley presented the monthly fire report and informed Council they will be actively recruiting for additional volunteers. He then presented a training video on the recent house burn they did for the Stevensville High School.

**Guests:**

There were no guests.



**Correspondence:**

There was no correspondence.

**Public Comments:**

Shirley McKibbin, 372 North Kootenai Creek Road, commented on the backdoor dealings of Council, Council not solving issues for the community and their actions being a negativity to the Town of Stevensville. She respectfully requested Council to set aside any grievances they may have to move forward with positive and cooperative action or resign from their elected positions.

Bill Perrin, 503 Charlos, commented on Councilmember Michalson's email stating "continue to make the Mayor's life miserable" as personal, not being in the best interest of the Town and not right.

Michael Sharkey, 206 St. Mary's Drive, read several Council emails and commented he would rather be commending Council for a good well done versus calling them out on wasting the Town's time and money. He requested the Council stop with their personal agendas and start doing the business of the Town. He then commented on and read a short statement written by his wife, former Finance Officer of the Town, regarding emails missing or deleted from Councilmember Michalson's email account.

Loey Knapp, 526 East Third Street, commented on her love for the Stevensville community and what it has to offer. She then commented on the Council being the one black cloud over Stevensville and Council not representing the Town. She offered to call a meeting of members from her Ward to meet with Councilmember Holcomb to discuss what the voters would like her to work on for the Town.

**Unfinished Business:**

There was no Unfinished Business.

**New Business:**

**A. Discussion/decision – General Services Clerk Hours, Councilmembers Michalson and Barker**

Mayor Dewey turned the floor over to Councilmember Michalson.

Councilmember Michalson commented on the Mayor's hours being worked and inquired about the utilization of the General Services Clerk. Council then inquired about a letter sent out regarding dog tags using the title of Community Relations.

Mayor commented on his hours worked, the General Services Clerk hire and training, and informed Council of title of Community Relations being previously part of the multiple titles held by the General Services Clerk and this was an oversight when the letter was sent out.



Mayor called for public comment.

Jim Crews, 316 9<sup>th</sup> Street, inquired as to what decision the Council has made on this agenda item.

Further discussion was held regarding the General Services Clerk hours and the Mayor's hours.

Fire Chief Motley commented on the great job the new General Services Clerk is doing for the Town and reminded Council of the needed time to train new employees.

Discussion ensued regarding the Mayor's hours worked for the Town.

Fire Chief Motley reminded Council of the agenda item being General Services Clerk hours not the Mayor's hours.

### **Executive Report**

Mayor Dewey reported on the following items:

- CDBG Grant Application being delayed and his expectation of this item to come back to Council when RCEDA Director Julie Foster is back in town
- Mayor's attendance at the Executive Forum this week
- Town Clerk/Court Clerk recruitment

### **Town Council Comments:**

Councilmember Michalson commented the recently stated Council actions, Council emails, the conflict between the Mayor and Council beginning last November and the Mayor's blatant and reckless behavior.

Councilmember Holcomb commented on not personally attacking the Mayor, Council being personally attacked in news coverage, acting on the advice of the town attorney, her grievance against the Mayor and trying to do the best for the Town.

Councilmember Barker commented on the Council emails, trying to move forward, and attempting to mentor the Mayor but the Mayor not letting them.

Councilmember Smith commented on public access to records, procedures for accessing records, privileged Council communications and the Mayor accessing emails constituting a breach of his mayoral duties. He further commented on being a functional government, needing to address pressing Town issues, trust being broken and not sure how to move forward.

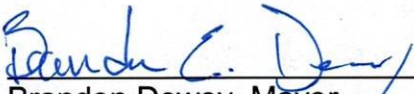
### **Board Reports**

There were no Council board reports.


Councilmember Holcomb made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Smith seconded and all voted "aye". Motion carried 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

APPROVE:

  
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Brandon Dewey, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Stacy Bartlett, Town Clerk