

Stevensville Town Council Meeting Minutes

for THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025, 6:30 PM 206 Buck Street, Town Hall

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Michalson called the meeting to order. Councilmember Barker, Brown, Bragg and Smith were all present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comments (Public comment from citizens on items that are not on the agenda)

NONE

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Special Town Council Meeting Minutes 05/12/2025

Mayor Michalson: introduced special town council meeting minutes 05/12/2025.

Councilmember Smith: I move to approve Special Town Council Meeting Minutes 05/12/2025.

Councilmember Bragg: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Public comments? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

b. C.O.W. Meeting Minutes for 05/13/2025

Mayor Michalson: introduced COW Meeting Minutes for 05/13/2025.

Councilmember Smith: I move to approve C.O.W. Meeting Minutes for 05/13/2025

Councilmember Barker: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Public comments? Jenelle seeing none, please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

5. Approval of Bi-Weekly Claims

a. Claims #19691-19737

Mayor Michalson: introduced claims, #19691-19737.

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve claims #19691-19737.

Councilmember Bragg: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: I move to consider #19714 separate from the other claims.

Councilmember Brown: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: I am looking at this particular expenditure here and this was done by a contract by our mayor on 5/20. This was a contract that was not brought before the council it is for an expenditure for \$4265.40. We have contract with RTC that was signed and that was for \$4070.00. We are looking at an expenditure of 4.8% over on that contract it should not have been signed without the council approval. That is my objection to this.

Mayor Michalson: yes, there was a contract signed by me. I thought that I was in the parameters, and it was in the fiscal budget. I should have gotten, as Councilmember Brown mentioned before, I should have gotten quotes, and I did not. I received an email from Gina and back tracking now I should have gotten two quotes, but by the council approving the previous claim.

Councilmember Smith: no, you approve it item by item. If I could make another motion I would like to make a motion to recess for about 10 minutes so that this council can get a tour of what is done, and any other member of the people to see what job was done.

Mayor Michalson: yes we can.

Councilmember Smith: motion to recess for 10 minutes.

Councilmember Brown: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd to take a recess to go look at that and what was done.

Jenelle Berthoud: I need to remind the citizens that the live stream of the meeting will be left on during this recess.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd, take a vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: motion passes to take a 10-minute recess to look at it.

10-MINUTE RECESS

Mayor Michalson: call the meeting back to order, we had a short break. Remodel in the office, we will move along.

Councilmember Brown: I would like the citizens of the Town of Stevensville on the claims for May 22nd claim #19690 was approved by the council and all councilmember voted "aye" on the claims that night. We could have pulled that claim out and asked more questions that night and we did not. The claim does fall under the town of Stevensville purchasing policy section 7B2. The council is the check and balance for the town government, so it was also our fault. I apologize for my mistake, and I am working hard to better myself as a councilmember.

Councilmember Smith: I to agree with Councilmember Brown, I understand where you are coming from, and your apology and I take it as I have been in your spot in corporations that have larger budgets than the city I have made those mistakes too and I know what you are feeling. But I would like to get it on record here. The most aggress thing is that it may violate a policy. It may violate that type of thing but most importantly it violates the constitution for the people's right to know that is the public, so that it why it is so important that we bring these contracts out in the open and to the public and with that I am still going to approve it.

Mayor Michalson: thank you all, like I said this is something that we are trying to hide from the public or sweep under the rug. This was an oversight on Gina's and mine

Gina Crowe: we did have the money in the budget; we did not violate anything because we had the money in the budget and based on what we looked at you approved that amount it was not like we were trying to blow smoke over everyone's eyes or anything like that. I am the last one who wants to make a mistake, but it was in the budget, and it was split among the departments.

Mayor Michalson: thank you, any other comments on the claims?

Councilmember Barker: #19727, for Glenn Beis, it just looks like it is a duplicate.

Gina Crowe: that is a good question, per state law we have to have a wastewater operator oversee the plant, Glenn is no longer an employee with us so we hired him as a contractor and the reason that they are split up is that I have to account for those months and so I cant put it all into the month of May.

Councilmember Barker: I know that a lot of people know but Glenn was one of our water works guys that has since retired. We have Stephen Lassiter down there now and he has worked really hard to get his water certification and from what I understand he just passed. Congratulation, in the meantime we had to have someone down there for the water and for the state.

Gina Crowe: I just want to clear some things up it is for wastewater.

Councilmember Barker: okay, who is the new gentleman that is working on his certification?

Mayor Michalson: Kevin. I would also like to add, when Glenn retired and left us and we brought him back, one of the stipulations was that you cannot bill me until later because of his retirement so we had to hold off in paying him.

Councilmember Brown: #19709, asking for the doggie waste bags, this is the first time that I have seen them show up.

Stephen Lassiter: it is about once a year. They last long enough.

Councilmember Brown: that was my question.

Mayor Michalson: any comments from the public?

John Doud Bitterroot Star: clarifying questions on the whole thing, the claim that Wally Smith brought forward. Councilmember Brown mentioned that it was actually approved is that correct.

Mayor Michalson: part of it was approved.

John Doud: part of it.

Mayor Michalson: yes, \$1,000 something was approved.

John Doud: so that amount was approved and a higher amount was used than what was approved?

Mayor Michalson: no. one claims was \$1,000 part of the \$4,000 was approved. tonight's claims is \$3,000 something.

John Doud: and what claim was that?

Gina Crowe: the first amount was to start the project.

Councilmember Brown: and we approved that May 22nd.

John Doud: the last thing is where is your office now?

Mayor Michalson: it is Roberts old office. Any other comments from the public, seeing none Jenelle take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

6. Administrative Reports

a. Airport

Brian Germane, Airport Manager: gave his report to the council. Mowing is all that is going on from a maintance standpoint. CIP projects we are in a holding pattern until the Feds release funds. Fuel, we will talk about that a bit later. We talked last meeting about the forest service, Tyler thought that maybe they would be activating earlier, but nothing yet.

Councilmember Smtih: do you have the target date to do that cleaning.

Brian Germane: I am not going to say anything because the man that is going to do this for us is recovering from a heart attack.

b. Building Department

In the packet.

c. Finance

NONE

d. Fire Department

In the packet.

e. Police Department

Provided to the council at the meeting. Mayor Michalson read the report. Chief Boe is at the academy, they have asked him to go there to do training, last year when he was going over there to do training they offered him a job, so we are very lucky to have someone like him. That just brings Stevensville higher when we have one of our own going to do training at the state academy. (mayor read through the report)

f. Public Works

Stephen Lassiter: we filled the Parks Manager position; Jerry started on Monday. Dug and fixed the pipe in Father Ravalli Park got the sprinklers on the dry spot and added grass seed, and also added sprinklers at the skate park, painted the curb in front of the coffee shop. I passed my test and Cody, and I are both certified water operators.

Councilmember Brown: a bit of information, the sprinkler head at Father Ravalli Park should be the one close to College and 9th, when I am walking in the morning it is watering the street, more than half the street is wet.

Stephen Lassiter: it wasn't doing that because the porta potty was there now the porta potty is gone; I will go back and check it.

Councilmember Barker: when is Splash Pad opening?

Stephen Lassiter: I had to order a part for it tracking number says it will be here Monday; it is a part that we can fix. If we get it Monday maybe Tuesday or Wednesday get it open.

Councilmember Barker: and the pool is opening Monday?

Stephen Lassiter: the pool is going great, the pump started up and we started chlorinating it today. The paint looks good, it is a three-year deal, and it is coming together, we are going to have merchandise for sale and snacks. Thanks to the ladies in the office for bringing that together.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Discussion/Decision: Fuelmaster Fuel Management System Extended Maintenance Agreement Between Syntech Systems, INC and the Town of Stevensville

Mayor Michalson: introduced unfinished business, Fuelmaster Fuel Management System Extended Maintenance Agreement Between Syntech Systems, INC and the Town of Stevensville

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve Fuelmaster Fuel Management System Extended Maintenance Agreement Between Syntech Systems, INC and the Town of Stevensville.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council or have Brian come up.

Brian Germane: this is a maintenance service agreement with Syntech for the point-of-sale system for the fuel tank at the airport. \$850.00 for a six-month term. They normally do not do six-month agreements but because of our situation with us getting our tank later this year we get to a 50%-prorated term. This agreement covers technical support and parts. What we are trying to do is get our arms around any additional service liabilities like I stated last time we have already accumulated over \$830.00 in service to get the system up and running. Every time you pick up the phone they are charging you by the hour, for an extra

\$20.00 basically getting every other service call and parts for a 15-year-old system we will get those for an additional \$20.00. I want to address some of the comments that were made during the public comment period last week. Previous manager in multiple visits to the podium made multiple comments on things, I am not going to go over all of them but there are a few that I want to clarify. One was there was a claim that the town could not enter into this lease agreement because there is a dispute on who owns the tank. The service agreement somehow constituted an attempt to steal the tank was a little unfair, and there was a claim that there was a hold placed on the fuel master account that was associated with this pedestal. So, with that I am going to touch on all of these things. Hawthorn is the same and has owned this tank for many years in April of this year CityServices entered into a purchasing agreement with Hawthorn to buy the fuel farm. Upon completion of that sale CityServices offered to lease that fuel farm back to the town of Stevensville. as you know we entered into a lease agreement with them and are now leasing that from them. In your packet there is documentation showing the Hawthorn invoice to CityServices for the purchase of the tank., receipt confirming full transfer of ownership and an email confirming that the sale included the tank, the dispenser, the pump and fuel master pedestal. The claim of ownership or dispute of ownership that was mentioned last time, really has no bearing on the town the dispute of ownership is between that individual and Hawthorn maybe CityServices, but we are removed from that issue, we have a legal lease with the legal owner of that tank. That claim is really not very relevant to what we are trying to do here. It was true that the fuel masters account was frozen due to the previous managers actions. Following their own internal investigation that CityServices had legally purchased the tank and we legally leased the tank and after that investigation they released control of that tank to CityServices that is also in that agenda packet with an email. The town has acted transparently and appropriately relying on the lease with CityServices. The agreement with Syntech is a cost-effective step in trying to manage those expense and I think that an approval of this agreement is to show our commitment to a safe and efficient airport operation.

Mayor Michalson: Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: to the mayor or the airport manager, has our town attorney looked at all of this?

Brian Germane: yes he has been involved through this whole process.

Councilmember Brown: I want to thank everyone that spent all of this time in tracking down who was the ownership of that tank. That really clears up the problem for us to make that decision.

Mayor Michalson: any other comments from the council? Public comment? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

8. New Business

a. Opening of Bids for Water Distribution System Leak Detection Services

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item a, Opening of Bids for Water Distribution System Leak Detection Services. This is part of the ARPA grant from last year it was in that grant, so we put out RFP's HDR did it for us and we are opening the bids tonight, with that Jenelle would you please open the bids.

Jenelle Berthoud: we received three. The first one is from Scott Enterprises and LDT Solutions, LLC for \$6,000.00. The second one was from Water XYZ and that was out of Missoula, and I apologize the other one, Scott Enterprises is from Maryland. Water XYZ, \$9,500.00. The third one was from American Leak Detection, Hayden, ID for \$10,080.00.

Mayor Michalson: with that I would ask the council if we would take these bids back to HDR and have them review for clarity because they put out the RFP on it and then we will bring it back on the 26th to award bid.

b. Discussion/Decision: Special Event Permit for the 20th Annual Scarecrow Festival

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item b, Special Event Permit for the 20th Annual Scarecrow Festival.

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve Special Event Permit for the 20th Annual Scarecrow Festival.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Barker: can we have them get up and clarify what streets you are going to have closed off.

Loey Knapp, Scarecrow Festival: as before the scarecrows will be on Main Street, 3rd Street will be closed for one block on either side, one side is for food trucks the other side is for activities. The only thing that is closed is 3rd Street for Friday and Saturday.

Councilmember Barker: just a question for you, the farmers market also runs that Saturday, so you say that you have it closed off for your events.

Loey Knapp: we will still have the farmers market. The mazes are over in the parking lot. Stage on the corner.

Mayor Michalson: any other questions from the council? Public comment? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

c. Discussion/Decision: Placement of a Permanent Sculpture at Creamery Park

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item c, Placement of a Permanent Sculpture at Creamery Park. This came before the Park Board, and they highly recommend that this come before the council. With the councils permission would it be okay for them to give their presentation before a motion.

Loey Knapp, Scarecrow Festival: we are declaring this the 20th Scarecrow Festival and what we would like to do to make this special, and we discussed many things, and there might be more than this but the one thing that we want permission from you is we would like to install a permanent scarecrow, and this is the design, we ask the person that is going to design not make it scary but make it beautiful. Some of the scarecrows that you have seen are flower woman and this is based on that. We as the scarecrow committee will raise all of the money we are not asking for any city funds, it would be done by Laura Jean Felding that is a professional artist. It would be located in Creamery Park inset a bit but not impacting anybody's walk away, we considered the corners of Main. This will welcome you into the park, it will be located on a 3x3-foot concrete pad and stabled with a post in the middle and about 6 feet tall. No maintance is required so essentially what we are asking you for, no money, no maintance and we would like the Park Board to speak to this because it has been approved by the Park Board.

Renee Endicot, Park Board: I am part of the Park Board, and we had a meeting just recently and it was approved. our town has multiple sculptures, and I think that this will be in a prefect spot in the park and there is a lot of potential for that park. Situated right next to Mission and Main Street and no maintance and having a professional install it I do not have any issues or can think of there being any issues. So, the Park Boad is bringing it to you for approval as well.

Mayor Michalson: so, you are going to put it in the Creamery Park area, do you know exactly where that it is.

Loey Knapp: if you are looking at Creamery Park and Mission Bistro is on the left-hand side, so you are walking in and there is a planting area, and two picnic tables set back but on the right-hand side there is a lamp post and a tree and just enough room in between the two on

the red/orange wall. What she is holding is fused glass and as it rains there will be water and the birds will come. We are considering putting a crow on the other shoulder.

Councilmember Smith: do you have anything else planned for the bowl other than just rainwater.

Renee Endicot: this is permeant.

Councilmember Barker: if none of the council has seen her work, I encourage you to get on Facebook and look at her stuff. She started as a welder at Montana Fabrication and has some history behind her in Stevensville and she is a very talented artist.

Mayor Michalson: any other questions for these ladies?

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve Placement of a Permanent Sculpture at Creamery Park.

Councilmember Bragg: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Public comment? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

d. Discussion/Decision: Additional Parking for Father Ravalli Park

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item d, Additional Parking for Father Ravalli Park.

Councilmember Brown: I move that the council table this decision for additional parking at Father Ravalli Park we have a little bit more work to do about the big utility box at the corner. I will do my best to see what I can find out in the public record about that. We do not want to have the town with a big bill.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council? Discussion from the public?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tanya Eckert, Park Board: we did have a meeting on Monday, and I have been digging in a little bit more so, I spoke with Ed Sunderland, and he said you can't do that; it is too much

money with all of the fiber optics in there. I contacted Century Link, and they said that it is 3812 Eastside HWY. The box is all copper and it services all of Eastside and Pine Hollow all of Middle Burnt Fork. I asked if there was a possibility of moving it and he said leave it alone and it is way too much money to move it.

Mayor Michalson: any other comments from the public?

Stephen Lassiter: I would like to know how deep the lines are underground. I can't imagine that they put all of that in that mound.

Jenelle Berthoud: especially when that section has access to Main Street.

Mayor Michalson: do you know how long has that been there.

Councilmember Brown: 30 plus years.

Councilmember Barker: the fire department used to set up the ice rink. What would be our options if we cannot use that for anything.

Mayor Michalson: I think that we would have to find a new access into there, and I don't think that we can get that.

Councilmember Barker: let's say if that piece of property is not useful for anything except what Ramona has for her storage units, she has used part of that property. Is there a variance for that?

Mayor Michalson: no, it expired.

Councilmember Barker: how does she reapply; there are many different questions what do we do with it.

Mayor Michalson: if the town decides that they do not want to use it for anything else, she can come back before and ask for another variance.

Councilmember Brown: I do believe last year that we did learn at MMIA that the law change is now can be approved by the mayor it does not have to come before the council.

Mayor Michalson: that is correct, but I would do my diligence that it was done right, and I would work with our town attorney so that there would be no confusion with the public if she was to come and ask for a variance.

Councilmember Barker: if we can't get that access for extra parking then what do we use it for.

Councilmember Brown: if I can find the documentation we have a company that can look at it and see how deep those lines are.

Brian Germane: there is an individual that we use all the time, and he can tell you the depth and where it is at more than what 811 can. He is extremely reasonable and if that is what is holding things up it would be worth it.

Mayor Michalson: can you get me that name please. Any other comments from the council or the public? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

e. Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 531b, a Resolution of the Stevensville Town Council Adopting Job Descriptions for the Town of Stevensville

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item e, Resolution No. 531b, a Resolution of the Stevensville Town Council Adopting Job Descriptions for the Town of Stevensville. We brought this up at the special meeting and Nancy Lowel got up and wanted to change and someone else, I think Councilmember Barker.

Jenelle Berthoud: these are additional changes not the ones that were made last meeting and those changes were already approved by Resolution No. 531a. 531b is changing the job description changing two things.

Councilmember Barker: supervising the pool staff and certified pool operator and playground certification.

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve Resolution No. 531b, a Resolution of the Stevensville Town Council Adopting Job Descriptions for the Town of Stevensville.

Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Brown: correct the MCA code to be 7-4-4201.

Mayor Michalson: and 4201 would salaries and wages.

Jenelle Berthoud: in the resolution, correct? Thank you.

Mayor Michalson: any further discussion from the council? Public comments? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

f. Discussion/Decision: Resolution No. 569 a Resolution for Adopting Wages for Pool Staff for the Town of Stevensville Montana

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item f, Resolution No. 569 a Resolution for Adopting Wages for Pool Staff for the Town of Stevensville Montana.

Councilmember Barker: I make a motion to approve Resolution No. 569 a Resolution for Adopting Wages for Pool Staff for the Town of Stevensville Montana.

Councilmember Bragg: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Brown: we discussed this, and most people don't realize this, but we discussed this last night at our COW meeting, and it is unusual that we should be adopting wages before we get our budget approved, but these people did not get any wages increased last year so that is why I believe it is on the agenda tonight so they can get their wage increase.

Gina Crowe: the pool is unique, because they fall in two fiscal years. Two weeks of their pay is in one fiscal year, and the rest is in the next fiscal year. When we adopted the budget last year it did not take into account the raises for this year. We talked about how we need to think a year ahead for the lifeguard. The reason that we wanted to bring this tonight is so that we can take care of the wages now. We do not retro our wages so we could not go back and pay them, and we did not pass the budget until September, and they don't work in September the pool closes in August. Going forward for the next budget year it is really hard to get lifeguards, and no one wants to work for \$12.00. it would be really hard to keep the pool open if it was just open swim. We make the money on lessons, but if we do not have enough lifeguards then we don't have as many lessons. Eight lifeguards is good for this year. This year we are going to sell shirts and snacks and drinks to earn extra revenue. We have to thank Stephens wife; she did such a good job putting those shirts and bags together. We are trying to be creative to bring revenue into the pool.

Councilmember Smith: I have a question, what is Montana's minimum wage?

Gina Crowe: \$10.55

Councilmember Brown: if we pass this resolution and for some reason we cant get our budget to balance out is there any way we can go back and amend this resolution.

Gina Crowe: probably not. Once you give them a wage you are not going to demote them.

Jenelle Berthoud: the wage in front of you is what was presented last night.

Mayor Michalson: any other comments from the council? Public comments? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Councilmember Brown: no

Councilmember Bragg: aye

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 3-1

g. Discussion/Decision: Approval of Stevensville Airport Lease Swap

Mayor Michalson: introduced new business item g, Approval of Stevensville Airport Lease Swap.

Brian Germane: so, this is a proposed lease swap, a lease holder at the airport holds a lease at block 3 lot 4 and has requested to exchange that lease for another available lot, block 1, lot 13 they are both undeveloped. I am requesting that we vacate the lease put a new 20-year lease at the current fourteen cent rate.

Councilmember Smith: I move that we adopt Approval of Stevensville Airport Lease Swap.

Councilmember Brown: 2nd.

Mayor Michalson: motion and a 2nd. Discussion from the council?

Councilmember Smith: in the exchange of these two buildings is he gaining or losing square footage.

Brian Germane: it is basically the same right now the lot space is 56x62 and this new one is 54x65.

Councilmember Brown: did this go through the airport board and did they approve this.

Brian Germane: after Ordinance 141 the boards vote was not required to put a lease through, construction yes but not a lease. It is discussed in front of the board but not required.

Mayor Michalson: Ordinance 141 states that it does not have to come in front of the board.

Councilmember Brown: he doesn't have a problem pay the fourteen cents?

Brian Germane: no, he doesn't.

Councilmember Smith: that also means that the other location will go up to fourteen as well.

Brian Germane: yes. he is prepared to build this summer.

Mayor Michalson: any other comments from the council? Public comments? Seeing none, Jenelle please take the vote.

Councilmember Bragg: aye.

Councilmember Smith: aye.

Councilmember Brown: aye.

Councilmember Barker: aye.

Mayor Michalson: passes 4-0

9. Board Reports

Councilmember Brown: Park Board report which Steve gave, we did talk about getting some grant money in and we talked about picnics down at the park once a month. That got changed with the towns insurance policy so we actually have to find somebody that would sponsor that and carry the insurance. Updated restrooms, but I am assuming that the mayor will have information on that in his executive report. And the only other thing is they thought that the sensor on the splash pad was under warranty.

Stephen Lassiter: it was not.

Councilmember Brown: we talked about the statue, and we also talked about the Pickle Ball court and having them do some kind of agreement, I am not sure where that went with anyone contacting them.

Councilmember Smith: I have nothing to add.

Councilmember Barker: Planning & Zoning board meeting. Met on the 4th of June. Had Jerry via Zoom, went over what the survey was going to look like, each of us are going to take pictures around town and sending to Jenelle. Be part of the planning and zoning board has been amazing and all of us have messed quiet well. We are going to get posters out there and looking for key spots and activities around the area.

10. Town Council Comments

Councilmember Brown: at this time, I would remind all councilmembers that we need to be very careful on what we are saying on our social media websites. We should not be talking about any town business or anything regarding the upcoming election or the candidates. Board members please remember that when on social media websites, I personally do not get on any social media websites.

Councilmember Bragg: as I have been going to the park with a friend and we have noticed a lot of trash and I wonder if we could get a day during the week to get the town involved to pick up trash, I do not know how to go about that.

Councilmember Brown: Tanya was here, and she is in charge of the Park Board, you can talk about it at the meeting and get a recommendation to bring it to the council.

Mayor Michalson: that is a great idea, I would be more than willing to be part of that group.

Jenelle Berthoud: I will send Tanya's email to you.

11. Executive Report

Mayor Michalson: June 2nd attended a sewer plant meeting in Hamilton; on the 5th of June I attended a government training session in Hamilton with Jenelle and Andrena. On the 10th I attended an audit review with Angela from Denning & Downing with Gina, Robert and Stacey were also in attendance. On the 26th of this month we will have a water training class here and as I mentioned earlier Mr. Lassiter passed his water certification test. Andrena our deputy clerk is putting together a safety audit for public works that will be followed up with safety audits for town hall, police and the fire department. We will be working with all of our department heads on that also. HB 432 the water rights, as I have sent you all that about Jesse Reeves if you have comments please send those to Jenelle. We will put them together and pass on to Ross and then back to the council for approval. Next Tuesday the governor has asked me to be out at Semi link at 9:00 am. He would like to talk to me about HB 432 and the water rights he knows about our situation in town. I will say it out here I cant take credit for that that will have to go to our previous mayor, Mayor Gibson, he was the one that spearheaded this if it wasn't for him we would probably not be here right now. I would also like to say that we attended Stockman Bank grand opening. Gina, Jenelle, Andrena and I and Steve and we were presented a \$5,000 check for park improvements mainly the bathroom. The estimate was \$2,500 and they double it, it was very emotional and very nice and they also said if we need more help to let us know. There was also another bank president that contacted me he wants to have lunch and see what they can do, Chad. We still have \$2,500 of the \$5,000 so we will probably bring that to the park board help us to figure out what to do. I want to speak about the summit that we were at in Hamilton, and one of the things that came up was miss information, miss information is out there and we all know it but we have to be very diligent about bringing it into town hall because when you bring it into town hall that is when rumors start, and shit happens. I will give you a good example when I was walking and I ran into an individual on the street and we started to talk, you know what the rumor around town is the town of Stevensville is using their water and sewer money to help prop up the airport. Come on, really. He said that is the rumor and there are a lot of people who teed off about it. back to miss information we have to be careful lets try to get the facts right, any questions at all council, please like I said tonight when we took a 10-minute recess and we all went in there, all you councilmembers can come in any time of the week and ask any question of Gina, Jenelle I and Robert. Not just for you but for the public and it is really sad that people sit out there and willing to slam town hall and us but they wont come in and get the facts and that is so sad.

12. Adjournment

Councilmember Barker: motion

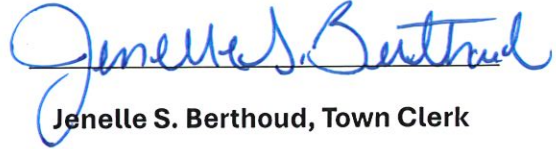
Councilmember Smith: 2nd.

APPROVE:

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Bob Michalson, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jenelle S. Berthoud", written over a horizontal line.

Jenelle S. Berthoud, Town Clerk