

The Kemmerer City Council met in regular session this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Kemmerer, Wyoming. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present on roll call were Mayor William Thek, Councilmember Marlin Batista, Councilmember Robert Bowen, Councilmember Dale Hicks, Councilmember Bill Price, and Councilmember Jamie Thornock. Councilmember Mark Quinn was absent.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to excuse the absence of Councilmember Quinn; seconded by Councilmember Thornock and unanimously approved by Council present.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to approve the agenda as amended to add New Business (c), Renewable Energy and Possible Ordinance Changes with the Focus on Solar and add Potential Litigation to the Executive Session; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present.

### **VISITORS' COMMENTS:**

Mark Verbeck with Terra Power introduced himself to the Council.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to approve the items on the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present. Those items were:

(a) approval of the meeting minutes of February 27, 2023, as presented

(b) approval of the payment of the bills, payroll and ACH payments as presented:

16287 UMWA	\$264.80	16288 Ace Hardware	\$74.74
16289 All West Communications	222.40	16290 Auto Inn Repair, Inc.	276.85
16291 Bridger Valley Propane	1,240.96	16292 Bugman, Inc.	150.00
16293 Century Equipment Co.	1,947.50	16294 City of Kemmerer	1,702.29
16295 Emery, Logan	48.00	16296 First Bank of Wyoming	5,358.41
16297 Freedom Mailing Svcs., Inc.	962.92	16298 GoTo Technologies, Inc.	417.34
16299 Kemmerer Gazette	490.25	16300 Martinez, Rilee	60.50
16301 Messick, Parker	46.55	16302 Netwize	3,302.01
16303 Norco, Inc.	142.11	16304 One-Call of Wyoming	9.75
16305 Parks, Jake	66.00	16306 Parks, Noah	96.00
16307 Pewag Traction Chain, Inc.	1,387.46	16308 R & R Products, Inc.	541.54
16309 Rocky Mountain Power	9,042.64	16310 Safe Checks	578.55
16311 See, Cory	78.00	16312 Simon Bedingfeld	625.00
16313 South Lincoln EMS Asso.	50.00	16314 Stout, E. Dean	1,250.00
16315 Upper Case Printing, Ink.	191.70	16316 Verizon Wireless	884.61
16317 Wagner & Wagner, Inc.	13,106.78	16318 Warpness, Scott	743.01
16319 Western Wyo. Bevg., Inc.	252.00	16320 Wex Bank	2,107.54
16321 WEBT	39,885.21	3/1/23 Federal Tax Deposit-ACH	11,868.38
3/1/23 Payroll Direct Deposit-ACH	43,179.37	3/1/23 Orchard Trust-ACH	625.00
3/1/23 Expert Pay/Child Support	277.93	3/1/23 AFLAC-ACH	12.24

3/1/23 ICMA-ACH

50.00 2/28/23 Secure Instant Pmts-ACH

19.95

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- (a) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to authorize the Mayor to sign letters of support and recommendation to the U. S. Department of Energy and others for a potential World Resources Company recycling and metallurgical facility south of Kemmerer; seconded by Councilmember Bowen. The mayor then called for the question. Those voting “Yea” were Councilmember Batista, Councilmember Bowen, Councilmember Hicks, and Councilmember Price. Those voting “Nay” were Councilmember Thornock. Motion carried.
- (b) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to Pass on 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ordinance No. 2023-875, Amending Section 20-6, Design Standards, and Section 23-106, Requirements for Standards for Maximum Street Slopes; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present.
- (c) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to direct staff and the zoning board to focus on bringing forward a workable amendment to the current city code on solar and renewable energy; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present.

**COMMENTS:**

City Administrator, Brian Muir, made comments. Councilmember Batista and Councilmember Bowen made comments. Mayor Thek made comments.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to recess the regular meeting and convene into Executive Session to discuss real estate and potential litigation; seconded by Councilmember Thornock and unanimously approved by council present; 7:50 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to convene into the Executive Session; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present; 7:53 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to adjourn the Executive Session; seconded by Councilmember Thornock and unanimously approved by council present; 8:40 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to re-convene into the regular meeting; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present; 8:42 p.m.

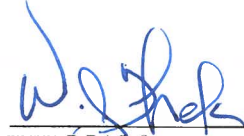
There being no further business before the Council, Councilmember Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilmember Thornock and unanimously approved by council present; 8:42 p.m.

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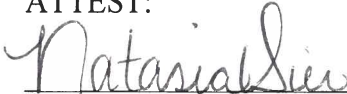
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BY:



WILLIAM J THEK,  
MAYOR

ATTEST:



NATASIA DIERS  
CITY CLERK-TREASURER