

The Kemmerer City Council met in regular session this 26th day of February, 2024, 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 (via telecon). Councilmember Mark Quinn was absent.

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

Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present.

PRESENTATION:

Jason Sleight with Jones Simkins presented the FY 22-23 Audit to the city council. Brian Muir was presented with a 5-year service award with the city.

VISITORS' COMMENTS:

None.

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 12, 2024, as presented;

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

17122 UMWA	\$264.80	17123 All West Communications	\$392.02
17124 Auto Inn Repair, Inc.	1,278.56	17125 Briger Valley Propane	1,079.93
17126 Bugman, Inc.	175.00	17127 Centurylink	826.31
17128 Centurylink Communications	16.06	17129 City of Kemmerer Acct.	1,578.88
17130 Des Imaging, LLC	71.12	17131 Dominion Energy	8,031.28
17132 Franklin, Kyla & Cody	64.00	17133 Gunter's Service	10,730.66
17134 IDAWY	8,489.25	17135 Interwest Supply Co.	1,923.36
17136 Jorgensen, Jaren & Holly	64.00	17137 JUB Engineers, Inc.	1,638.40
17138 Kilgore Companies, Inc.	1,146.55	17139 Lincoln County Sheriff Office	2,780.00
17140 Malone, Zakirie	64.00	17141 Mountain West Bus. Solution	52.60
17142 Nichols, Brandon	64.00	17143 Rogers, Clayton	102.00
17144 Stout, E. Dean	1,250.00	17145 Triplett, William	50.24
17146 UMB Card Center	16,085.09	17147 Wagner & Wagner, Inc.	287.90
17148 Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	385.00	17149 Westar Printing, LLC	597.01
2/14/24 Federal Tax Deposit-ACH	13,477.95	2/14/24 Payroll Direct Deposit-ACH	47,417.00
2/14/24 Orchard Trust-ACH	675.00	2/14/24 Expert Pay/Child Support-ACH	376.78
2/14/24 AFLAC-ACH	12.24	2/14/24 Dept. of Workforce Svcs.	22,200.74
2/14/24 Wyo Dept. of Revenue	148.48		

- (c) Accept FY 22-23 Audit by Jones-Simkins;
- (d) Authorize the mayor to sign a one-year lease with Sheena Sellers at Old Town Hall;
- (e) Pass, Approve and Adopt Resolution No. 2024-829, Support of Lincoln County's Application to the National Parks Service Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program;
- (f) Authorize staff to apply for a Wyoming Community Foundation grant in the amount of \$56,525.00;
- (g) Authorize the mayor to sign the re-assignment of the lease with Academy Mortgage at Old Town Hall with Guild Mortgage Company, LLC;
- (h) Authorize the mayor to sign the payment voucher for the 2023 Emergency Insect Management Grant to allow the city to receive funds of \$3,000.

OLD BUSINESS:

- (a) Motion was made by Councilmember Bowen to Pass on 2nd reading Ordinance No. 2024-884, Completely Adopting the International Building Code (IBC) in Chapter 7 Section 15 of the Building Regulations Ordinance and Rescind any Exceptions to the IBC in such code and adding language to Chapter 7 Section 7-16b and Deleting Chapters R313 and P2904 Requiring Fire Sprinklers in One and Two-Family Dwellings and Town Homes and other exemptions as stated; seconded by Councilmember Hicks and unanimously approved by council present.

NEW BUSINESS:

Robert Bowen recused himself from the meeting; 7:30 p.m.

- (a) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to appoint Jennifer Edinger as the at-large member to the Fossil Basin Promotion Board for a term to expire on 12/31/2024; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present.

Robert Bowen reentered the meeting; 7:30 p.m.

- (b) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to commit to using Rugged Mountain Aviation as the city's aerial mosquito spray applicator and authorize mayor to sign a letter addressed to Rugged Mountain Aviation indicating the city's commitment; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present.
- (c) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to authorize the mayor to sign a letter to the FAA approving J-U-B's Engineering Fee Proposal for the Design and Bidding Phase of the Rehab Lighting on the Runway/Taxiway and Replacing Windcone Project at the airport; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present.
- (d) Motion was made by Councilmember Price to authorize the mayor to sign the agreement for professional services with J-U-B for the Design and Bidding Phase of the Rehab Lighting on the Runway/Taxiway and Replacing Windcone Project at the airport in an amount not to exceed \$118,720.00, seconded by Councilmember Hicks and unanimously approved by council present.
- (e) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to authorize staff to send a letter to WYDOT showing intent of participating in the WYDOT salt and sand collaboration for FY 24-25 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and

- unanimously approved by council present.
- (f) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to waive past and future fees through June 30, 2024 for hauling refuse to the landfill related to the cleanup project of the Hams Fork Museum in exchange for the museum acknowledging the City as a sponsor; seconded by Councilmember Batista and unanimously approved by council present.
- (g) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to Pass, Approve and Adopt Resolution No. 2024-830, Amending Fossil Island Golf Advisory Board Bylaws; seconded by Councilmember Bowen and unanimously approved by council present.

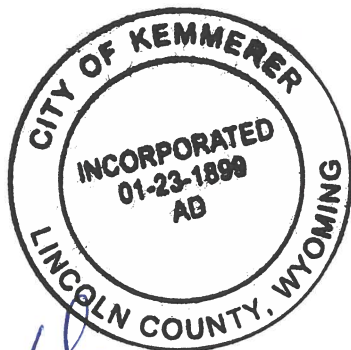
Mary Crosby made comments to the council.

- (h) Motion was made by Councilmember Hicks to authorize the mayor to sign a letter authorizing city staff to apply to the Intermountain West Nuclear Energy Corridor (INEC) Tech Hub Phase II EDA Grant in an amount of \$1,380,000.00; seconded by Councilmember Bowen. The mayor called for the questions. Those voting "Yea" were Councilmember Batista, Councilmember Bowen, Councilmember Hicks, and Councilmember Price. Councilmember Thornock voted "Nay." Motion carried.

COMMENTS:

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

There being no further business before the Council, Councilmember Hicks made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Councilmember Price and unanimously approved by council present; 8:19 p.m.



CITY OF KEMMERER, WYOMING

BY: W. J. Thek
 WILLIAM J THEK,
 MAYOR

ATTEST:

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 CITY CLERK-TREASURER