

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Regular Council Meeting - The Lyric
July 18, 2023

1. ROLL CALL

Casper City Council met in regular session at 6:09 p.m., Tuesday, July 18, 2023. Present: Councilors Gamroth, Jensen, Cathey, Haskins, Engebretsen, Pollock, Vice Mayor Pacheco, and Mayor Knell. Councilor Bond attended the meeting virtually.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Haskins led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

3.A. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Moved by Councilor Gamroth, seconded by Councilor Pollock to, by minute action, approve the minutes of the July 5, 2023 Regular Council Meeting, as published in the Casper Star Tribune on July 15, 2023. Motion passed.

3.B. EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES APPROVAL

Moved by Councilor Haskins, seconded by Councilor Gamroth to, by minute action, approve the minutes of the July 5, 2023 Executive Session. Motion passed.

4. GENERAL BILLS & CLAIMS

Moved by Councilor Pollock, seconded by Councilor Haskins to, by minute action, approve payment of the July 18, 2023, bills and claims, as audited by City Manager Napier. Motion passed.

Bills & Claims 07/18/23

307Dpspl	Reimb	126.00
6HGroup	Goods	115.60
71Const	Goods	151,532.89
AAALndscpng	Services	4,296.53
Airgas	Goods	2,100.11
AllTrfcDS	Services	29,900.00
Alsco	Services	2,504.44
AMBI	Services	997.30
AmrcnTitle	Goods	750.00
AT&T	Services	1,999.80
Atlas	Goods	3,327.37
AtlasPrem	Services	444.00
Ayres	Services	4,883.82
BdgrMtr	Services	162.87
BigHrnTire	Services	299.30
BobCatOfCspr	Goods	17,330.00
BlkHillsEnrgy	Utilities	3,889.68
BrntagPac	Goods	19,149.90

Brian'sGoTo	Services	2,399.97
BWilladson	Reimb	150.00
CrlnaSftwr	Goods	700.00
CsprBldngSys	Services	132,396.34
CsprNCHHealth	Services	47,942.37
CsprStrTrb	Services	753.48
CsprTire	Services	3,003.00
CWRWS	Goods	625,295.11
CntryLnk	Utilities	16,063.69
ChpmnVldz&Lnsng	Services	8,843.14
CITech	Services	1,987.35
CtyCspr	Services	176,354.94
CMITeco	Services	318,330.66
CommTech	Services	1,668.18
CnsnsCldSltns	Services	191.46
CnslElctr	Goods	401.81
CPU	Goods	1,412.00
CrimeScnInfo	Services	122.00
CrumElctrcSply	Goods	21.06
DckrAuto	Services	772.97
Dell	Goods	463.40
Dooley	Goods	46,998.68
DPCIndstrs	Goods	13,074.78
E&FTowng	Services	5,845.00
EBecher	Reimb	157.67
EdgeEng	Services	128.91
ElctrcRcyclrs	Services	7,202.45
EnrgyLabs	Services	671.00
EngnrngEcnmcs	Services	1,540.00
ExpSvcs	Services	1,132.56
FIB	Goods/Invstmnts	16,581.83
FlydsTrC	Services	607.80
FoxstrOpco	Goods	19,546.00
Frnctyp	Services	35.62
Galls	Goods	320.54
GtchEnv	Services	288.67
GlltStCntr	Goods	6,700.00

GvrnmtJobs	Services	14,213.00
Gnng	Goods	64.20
Gnrmotr	Services	60,383.79
HrvrdDrugGrp	Goods	730.00
HDREngnrng	Services	31,699.16
Homax	Goods	38,587.38
HonnenEquip	Services	1,930.18
Hose&RubrSply	Goods	132.13
HowrdSply	Goods	890.97
IcnPlm	Services	1,144.28
IME	Services	445.90
IndstrlScrn	Services	650.00
InnvtdA	Services	12,000.00
InstfrmTchnlgs	Services	299,065.15
Instltn&Svc	Services	9,995.42
IRS	Services	309.00
JDCInvstgtns	Services	850.00
JonasSftwr	Services	349.00
JGreenwood	Reimb	225.00
JMunday	Reimb	187.10
Kinsco	Goods	9,713.86
KnfRvr	Goods/Services	88,294.59
KKofakis	Reimb	33.96
LawsnPrdcts	Services	900.00
Lisa'sSpNspn	Services	750.00
LongBldgTech	Services	125.00
MlgrdCnstrctn	Services	384,353.42
MidIndImplmnt	Goods	78,400.00
MblCnrt	Goods	1,685.00
MKolker	Reimb	751.09
MLAuto	Services	314.00
MOgdgen	Reimb	1,445.40
MotorlaSltns	Services	17,984.90
MtnAlrmFire&Scrtty	Services	3,759.73
MtnStLitho	Services	244.76
MtnWstTech	Services	11,457.75
Napa	Goods	114,284.28

Norco	Goods	932.22
NrthPrkTrnsp	Services	173.81
NWstContr	Goods	2,898.15
NVACsprVet	Services	218.96
OneCall	Services	1,604.25
PeakGeosltns	Services	53,005.69
Pedens	Goods	712.80
PtrbltOfWyo	Services	3,105.90
PLarson	Reimb	100.00
PstlPros	Services	10,916.10
PrfsnlClng	Services	1,395.00
Ricoh	Services	523.77
Ridenour	Services	1,175.00
RckyMtnAirSltns	Goods	4,434.06
RckyMtnPwr	Utilities	37,065.18
RootrSwr	Services	4,939.69
Saltus	Services	16,540.00
Sawyer	Services	150.97
SkylneRnchs	Services	205.96
Smrsh	Services	2,219.90
SShipman	Reimb	150.00
StOfWyo	Services	235,659.01
StatelineNo7	Services	3,461.25
StrIngInfosystms	Services	1,938.89
StotzEqpmnt	Services/Goods	7,900.00
AbyMnfctr	Goods	301.50
TopOffc	Goods	435.27
TrnsUnionRsk	Services	205.60
TretoCnstrctn	Services	104,405.00
TriStOilReclm	Services	616.50
TriStTrk&Eqpmnt	Services	12,481.70
Unifrms2Gear	Goods	2,335.78
VrznWrsls	Services	1,754.70
Voiance Language Serv		29.15
VTunnell	Reimb	800.00
WAhmdt	Reimb	150.00
Warrior	Goods	11,325.00

WstPlainsEngrng	Services	4,050.00
WstrnStFr	Services	6,874.00
WstLndPrk	Services	2,094.85
WGriffin	Reimb	1,254.36
WndrvrEnv	Services	37,923.05
WyoDOT	Services	63.23
WyoMchnry	Services	962.74
WyoStGlf	Services	4,890.00
ZonrSystms	Services	55.60
Total		3,476,698.04

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM PERSONS PRESENT

Speaking to Council was: Dakota Kemmerer, regarding issues related to homelessness.

6.A. ESTABLISH DATE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Moved by Councilor Cathey, seconded by Councilor Engebretsen, to, by minute action:

1. Establish July 18, 2023, as the public hearing date for consideration of:
 - a. New Special Malt Beverage Permit No. 2 for the City of Casper, dba Casper Ice Arena, located at 1801 East 4th Street.

Councilor Pollock abstained from voting. Motion passed.

7.A.1. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE

Mayor Knell opened the public hearing for the consideration of an ordinance regarding JTL Group Inc. Addition Subdivision.

City Attorney Nelson entered two (2) exhibits: correspondence from Liz Becher to J. Carter Napier, dated July 18, 2023; and a Star Tribune proof of publication on July 3, 2023. City Manager Napier provided a brief report.

There were no citizens to speak for or against the issue. The public hearing was closed. Following ordinance read:

ORDINANCE NO. 12-23
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ANNEXATION, PLAT AND
ZONING CREATING THE JTL GROUP INC. ADDITION
SUBDIVISION.

Councilor Engebretsen presented the foregoing ordinance for approval on first reading. Seconded by Councilor Jensen. Motion passed.

7.A.2. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE

Mayor Knell opened the public hearing for the consideration of an ordinance regarding Elkhorn Village Addition No. 3 Subdivision.

City Attorney Nelson entered two (2) exhibits: correspondence from Liz Becher to J. Carter Napier, dated July 18, 2023; and a Star Tribune proof of publication on July 3, 2023. City Manager Napier provided a brief report.

There were no citizens to speak for or against the issue. The public hearing was closed.

Following ordinance read:

ORDINANCE NO. 13-23
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE ANNEXATION, PLAT AND
ZONING CREATING THE ELKHORN VILLAGE ADDITION NO. 3
SUBDIVISION.

Councilor Gamroth presented the foregoing ordinance for approval on first reading. Seconded by Councilor Pollock. Councilor Cathey asked who would be responsible for continuing development of the street if the developer closes down. Craig Collins, City Planner, responded that the agreement spreads the responsibility out among the five adjacent lots. Councilor Engebretsen abstained from voting. Motion passed.

7.A.3. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE

Mayor Knell opened the public hearing for the consideration of an ordinance regarding the feeding of non-domesticated animals.

City Attorney Nelson entered two (2) exhibits: correspondence from Eric Nelson to J. Carter Napier and City Council, dated July 10, 2023; and Regular Meeting Minutes Establishing Public Hearing, as published in the Star Tribune on July 15, 2023. City Manager Napier provided a brief report.

Speaking in favor was Sue Shepherd Ford. Mayor Knell also referenced a letter received from Bob Mullen in favor of the issue. There were no citizens to speak against the ordinance. The public hearing was closed.

Following ordinance read:

ORDINANCE NO. 14-23
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CASPER MUNICIPAL CODE
SECTION 6.04.040 – KEEPING OF PETS, LIVESTOCK OR FOWL;
LIMITATIONS; FEEDING OF NON-DOMESTICATED ANIMALS
PROHIBITED.

Vice Mayor Pacheco presented the foregoing ordinance for approval on first reading. Seconded by Councilor Pollock. Councilor Gamroth asked questions about enforcement of the ordinance, and City Attorney Nelson explained that it would be complaint-based and would probably only be enforced in the most egregious of cases. In most cases, it will present an opportunity for education and voluntary compliance. A representative from Wyoming Game & Fish Department explained that this ordinance will help with their wildlife management efforts. Motion passed.

7.A.4. PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE

Mayor Knell opened the public hearing for the consideration of an ordinance regarding the feeding of non-domesticated animals.

City Attorney Nelson entered two (2) exhibits: correspondence from Eric Nelson to J. Carter Napier and City Council, dated July 10, 2023; and Regular Meeting Minutes Establishing Public

Hearing, as published in the Star Tribune on July 15, 2023. City Manager Napier provided a brief report.

Speaking in favor was: Pat Sweeney. Speaking in opposition were: Judy Jones, Rosemary Sebahn, and Ross Schriftman. The public hearing was closed.

Following ordinance read:

ORDINANCE NO. 15-23
AN ORDINANCE IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUING THE FIFTH CENT
OPTIONAL GENERAL PURPOSE EXCISE TAX PURSUANT TO
WYOMING STATUTES SECTION 39-15-203(a)(i)(F)(II).

Councilor Gamroth presented the foregoing ordinance for approval on first reading. Seconded by Councilor Engebretsen. Councilors Engebretsen, Pollock, Haskins, Gamroth, Cathey, and Vice Mayor Pacheco, and Mayor Knell all spoke in favor of the ordinance and all gave statements explaining how important the 5th cent tax is to the City's infrastructure, safety services, and public services. They also discussed how the tax has been supported for several decades by voters, and discussed that this is the first step in a long list that would need to be completed before this would be implemented. They also discussed that this is not permanent, and is just an extension that could be reversed in the future. Councilors also discussed the importance of decorum and respect during public hearings. Motion passed.

8. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were considered, by consent agenda:

RESOLUTION NO. 23-145
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH KONE, INC., FOR SERVICING
AND MAINTENANCE OF ELEVATORS LOCATED AT CITY
FACILITIES.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-146
A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE EVANSVILLE
TEXAS STREET EXTENSION STUDY FOR THE CASPER
METROPOLITAN AREA.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-147
A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CASPER AND FLACK
WAREHOUSE, LLC.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-148
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH GH
PHIPPS WYOMING, LLC, FOR THE CASPER FAMILY AQUATICS
CENTER NATATORIUM IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT NO. 21-031.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-149
A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR THE METROPOLITAN
ANIMAL SERVICES AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 18-114.

Councilor Gamroth presented the foregoing five (5) consent resolutions for adoption. Seconded by Councilor Haskins. Motion passed.

9. INTRODUCTION OF MEASURES AND PROPOSALS

Councilors spoke on meetings and events they attended as well as matters of public interest.

10. ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:47 p.m., it was moved by Councilor Pollock, seconded by Councilor Cathey, to adjourn into executive session to discuss attorney-client privileged matters. Motion passed.

At 8:09, there being no further business, Mayor Knell asked for a motion to adjourn the executive session. Moved by Councilor Cathey, seconded by Councilor Haskins. Motion Passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Knell called for a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Moved by Councilor Cathey to adjourn the regular Council meeting, seconded by Councilor Jensen. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF CASPER, WYOMING
A Municipal Corporation

Fleur Tremel
City Clerk

Bruce Knell
Mayor