

Budget Meeting
Village of South Range

March 2nd, 2023

The Budget Hearing of the Common Council of the Village of South Range was called to order at **6:30 p.m.** by President George Eakin.

Present: George Eakin, Paul Saaranen, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Greg Harkonen, Kristen Archambeau, Craig Burkman S.C.

Absent: Therese Parolini

Nobody wished to address the Council.

Approval of the 2023-24 Budget

Trustee Cody Bonini made a motion to approve the Budget for 2023-24 Fiscal Year as presented by the Village Clerk. Trustee Meredith Carney seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Closing of Budget Meeting

Trustee Cody Bonini made a motion to close the Budget Budget Meeting.

Trustee Meredith Carney seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Regular Meeting
Village of South Range

March 2nd, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the Village of South Range was called to order at **6:37 p.m.** by President George Eakin.

Present: George Eakin, Paul Saaranen, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Greg Harkonen, Kristen Archambeau, Craig Burkman S.C.

Absent: Therese Parolini

Guests:

- ❖ Mike Balma
- ❖ Tim Korby

Recognition of Guests:

- ❖ Mike Balma: Village of South Range Fire Chief
 - Discussed the retirement dinner for (3) Fireman. Dinner will be at the Range Lounge.
 - South Range Fireman assisted Adams Township Fire with mutual aid due to a structure fire in Atlantic Mine on February 22, 2023.
- ❖ Tim Korby: Discussed his interest in being on the Village Council.

Approval of the February 2nd, 2023 Minutes

Trustee Greg Harkonen made a motion to approve the Minutes from February 2, 2023. Trustee Paul Saaranen seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Street Commissioner Report (Presented by Craig Burkman)

*Received a bid on meters from Core & Main.

*C41*24.50AT Loader bid came back.

*Connection and Pumpage Reports were submitted

Village President Report:

Village President George Eakin updated the Council with the following:

- Had the guys remove snow from the student home (old Pastore home)
- Talked with Butch Paavola (VFW commander) concerning the lots across from them. We will discuss this briefly as I would like the recreation committee to plan a workshop to discuss specifics with this.
- We need to set up a date for a Special Meeting concerning the bid process of a possible future addition of a lagoon.
- Mr Hamlin will submit another bid for the commercial lot once we repost, I have a figure in mind for a minimum bid.
- Looks like we have (2) applicants for the (1) open Trustee position

- Went over new Committee Assignments including Cody Bonini, President Pro Tempore. This would include adding Cody Bonini to the Miner's State Bank Accounts/CD's & the Superior National Bank Accounts & CD's Signature Cards and removing Justin Marier.

Clerk's Report

- Received an email from Opusweb, they would like to know which design you prefer for the top of the website.
- Received a complaint from a resident on Painesdale Street about their neighbors Airbnb.
- At the last meeting I discussed a grant for handicap accessibility. In order to apply for the grant we would need a specific plan in place for costs, type, etc. So therefore I was not able to apply this year.
- We need to set up with a title company to finalize the sale of the residential lot.

Agenda Additions

Trustee Paul Saaranen made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Village of South Range Retirement Dinner.

Trustee Meredith Carney seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Action Items:

Drainage

- No updates

Water Meters

Trustee Cody Bonini made a motion to order 40 meters from Core & Main.

Paul Saaranen supported the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Council Vacancy

Trustee Greg Harkonen made a motion for Tim Korby to be on the South Range Village Council. Trustee Paul Saaranen seconded the motion.

Yeas: Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: George Eakin & Cody Bonini

Commercial Lot

Trustee Greg Harkonen made a motion to post the commercial lot with starting bid at \$7,500.00, with the stipulations that it must be built upon in 2 years & a sealed bid.

Trustee Paul Saaranen seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg

Harkonen

Nays: none

Wages

Trustee Greg Harkonen made a motion to table the wage topic until the April 2023 meeting.

Trustee Cody Bonini seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Payment of the Bills

Trustee Meredith Carney made a motion to pay the bills totalling **\$19,097.84.**
With **\$11,574.93 in old bills, and \$7,522.91 in new bills.**

Trustee Cody Bonini seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none

Poll of Trustees

Paul Saaranen: Discussed the need for an Human Resources Committee

Meredith Carney: Discussed the need of a Budget Policy.

Adjournment

Trustee Cody Bonini moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:40p.m.

Trustee Meredith Carney seconded the motion.

Yeas: George Eakin, Cody Bonini, Meredith Carney, Paul Saaranen, & Greg Harkonen

Nays: none