

Town of Upton  
Special Town Council Meeting  
April 26, 2022

**THE SPECIAL MEETING** of the Town Council of Upton, Wyoming, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at the Upton City Hall located at 725 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Upton, Wyoming.

Present: Mayor Travis Beck, Council Members Justin Norman, and Nicholas Trandahl. Council Member Joe Watt joined the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Council Member Dennis Stirmel was absent. Staff present included Attorney Mark Hughes, Clerk/Treasurer Kelley Millar, and Superintendent Mark Lindstrom. Public attendance included Kade McMillan, *Weston County Gazette*, Roxanne Duarte, Shannon Johnston, Nichole Tippmann, Jeremy Remington, and Doyle Bayer, Upton Golf Association, and Rick Rothleutner, Upton Gun Club.

Mayor Beck asked Attorney Hughes about restrictions regarding the Town giving property to another entity and noted that the course was for sale.

Members from the Upton Golf Association were present to discuss options for the future of the golf course. Options for the sale of the course, specifically two parcels amounting to about seventy-five acres that would include the course, buildings and driving range, were mapped out for review. Lots owned by the Town of Upton and private landowners, sitting just north of Country Club Road, were also mapped out for reference. Mayor Beck asked about other sources of funding the Association had sought out and specifically which sources had passed due to the ownership of the course. No specific examples were available. The Association made some suggestions including an option for the Town to sign the property over to the Association at the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2022) for a clean break; however, further discussions on timing of grants, regardless of the landowner or applicant, proved that option not viable. Running water line from Well #6 to the course was briefly discussed. Ms. Johnston also noted that the Association was anxious to get an agreement in place before upcoming elections would potentially change the makeup of the current governing body. Grant options from the Wyoming Water Development Commission were discussed. The maximum award amount for a planning project from the program is capped at \$400,000.00 with a 25% match from the sponsor. These grants are only available to incorporated municipalities, water and sewer districts and improvement and service districts, with the next available award meeting scheduled for August 2022.

Mayor Beck asked the Association if they were ready to sign the Golf Course Management Agreement that had been presented at the April 12, 2022, meeting as that agreement must be in place for the Association to complete a county renewal liquor license application. COUNCIL MEMBER TRANDAHL MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WATT SECONDED a motion to approve the Golf Course Management Agreement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023. All ayes, MOTION CARRIED.

Clerk/Treasurer Millar updated the Council on the dispatch meeting held by the Weston County Commissioners earlier in the day. Each governing body was asked to choose a representative to speak for the body at a meeting with representatives from the other governing bodies at a to be determined date where the parties will work on a joint powers agreement for dispatch services. Should unanimous agreement be met on the joint powers agreement, contracts for service may be discussed. Mayor Travis Beck will be the point person for the Town of Upton, with any of the other elected officials available to substitute should the need arise.

There being no further actionable business before the Council, COUNCIL MEMBER NORMAN MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER TRANDAHL SECONDED A MOTION to adjourn. All ayes, MOTION CARRIED. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

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Travis Beck, Mayor

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Attest: Kelley Millar, Clerk-Treasurer

Unofficial Minutes of the Special Meeting April 26, 2022