



January 27, 2025
7:00 p.m. Town Council Meeting
Zoom meeting for the public 958 684 9882
Minutes

ROLL CALL

Mayor Chris Johnson

Councilmembers: Jim Crook, Jessica Hart, Cherri Olson, Jeff Peed, Tim Pobirk, Gill Saunders

Staff: Bruce Bair (zoom), Chana Clawson, ~~Cindy Jones~~

Attorney: ~~Bo Nerlin~~

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Tim Pobirk made a motion to approve the agenda. Jessica Hart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes – Jeff Peed made a motion to approve the minutes. Tim Pobirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Disbursements - none

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. OLD BUSINESS*

6. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2-2025 Official Public Notice Location and Official Newspaper. Jim Crook made a motion to approve Resolution 2-2025. Gill Saunders seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Kris Stewart, Emergency Manager for Delta County Sheriff's Office – Hazard Mitigation Plan for Crawford.

Kris spoke to the council about Crawford's Mitigation Plan that is required by FEMA to be updated every 5 years. Towns must have a hazard mitigation plan for pre and post disaster funding.

Council was provided: Resolution 3-2025 Town of Crawford to adopt the 2024 Delta County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan as its official mitigation plan. Jeff Peed made a motion to approve Resolution 3-2025, Tim Pobirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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- 7. NON-AGENDA ITEMS** Mayor Johnson asked the council if there was any objection to posting the clerk's position in house. No objection. Mayor Johnson and an additional council member will interview for the position. The deputy clerk position will be advertised after the clerk has been established.
- 8. PUBLIC NON - AGENDA ITEMS** Michelle Specht announced the Cabin Fever Book Sale will take place at the town hall on Thursday for the Montessori School and Friday (from 2:00-6:00) and Saturday (9:00-3:00). Also, Friends of the Cedaredge Library has dissolved, and have donated all their books to Crawford.
- 9. REPORTS**
- a. Attorneys' report - none
 - b. Public Works – Bruce Bair reported that the town will be on consent agenda for the loan application on the water tank project. The loan request is in the amount of \$494,516 and tentatively approved, of which 64.4% is eligible for principal forgiveness. The town will be responsible for about \$176,000. The town will be looking at a 20-year loan @ 2 1/2% interest.
Also, originally there was an indication that the town would have to raise water rates between \$6-\$9 per tap but now it looks like only \$3 per tap. Bruce added that Cirsa will be here doing an audit mid-February. He also has been working on a permit with the forest service for the construction at the Wiley Springs.
 - c. Consultant & Interim Town Clerk – no report
 - d. Board Members
Jessica Hart reported that she is helping put out donation cans & there are a couple of raffles for a family in the area that lost their 1-year-old boy. Gill Saunders reported that he tried to contact the state senator & representative. He also reported that that he is now receiving a CML newsletter in his email.
 - e. Mayors' Report
Mayor Johnson reported that our senator has raised concerns about the introduction of wolves in the Aspen area. It is concerning since it isn't too far away from here.
He also reported that we have had some good Monday morning meetings with staff, the attorney and sometimes councilman Jeff Peed. He offered for other council members to attend if interested.
He reported that there are entities storing stuff at the town hall and we will be addressing that in the near future.
He and staff have discussed the water billing, late fees and shut offs. He would like to see a policy that is fair, equitable and consistent. That will likely be

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brought up in a future meeting.

Bruce Bair stated that he will be looking at policies that the town has to adopt in order to meet the requirements of the Bureau of Rec Grant.

Mayor Johnson stated that the attorney and Bruce will set up a meeting for the property split and the attorney will be looking at a drainage issue soon.

10. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

11. ADJOURNMENT 8:25

POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED