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## Tighten it Up

Childress said he applauded the Saratoga Town Council's efforts to determine the numbers in terms of interfund payables, receivables and transfers.

"But it's also true that this is now considered an item that's materially important to your audit and your audit needs to get done," said Childress. "Which means, if we got to make it tight and keep it together with a little bit of bubblegum, for now, that's appropriate. We just wanted to get to a point where you could button this up, maybe some duct tape if we had to, and get to a point where you could say, 'This is a starting point. We can move forward from here.'"

Throughout the presentation, Childress stressed that the amounts reached following the 20 year study were estimates.

"It's an estimate and it will remain an estimate, I think, until you approach some of these outside parties like the (Saratoga-Carbon County) Impact Joint Powers Board ... and you say, 'Hey, we think we have an issue here' because you do," Childress said. "You have an amount of money that's been pulled from those funds. The money went out. It went out of the general fund and just by the basic action of cash—we can't have a negative—it also went out of these other funds."

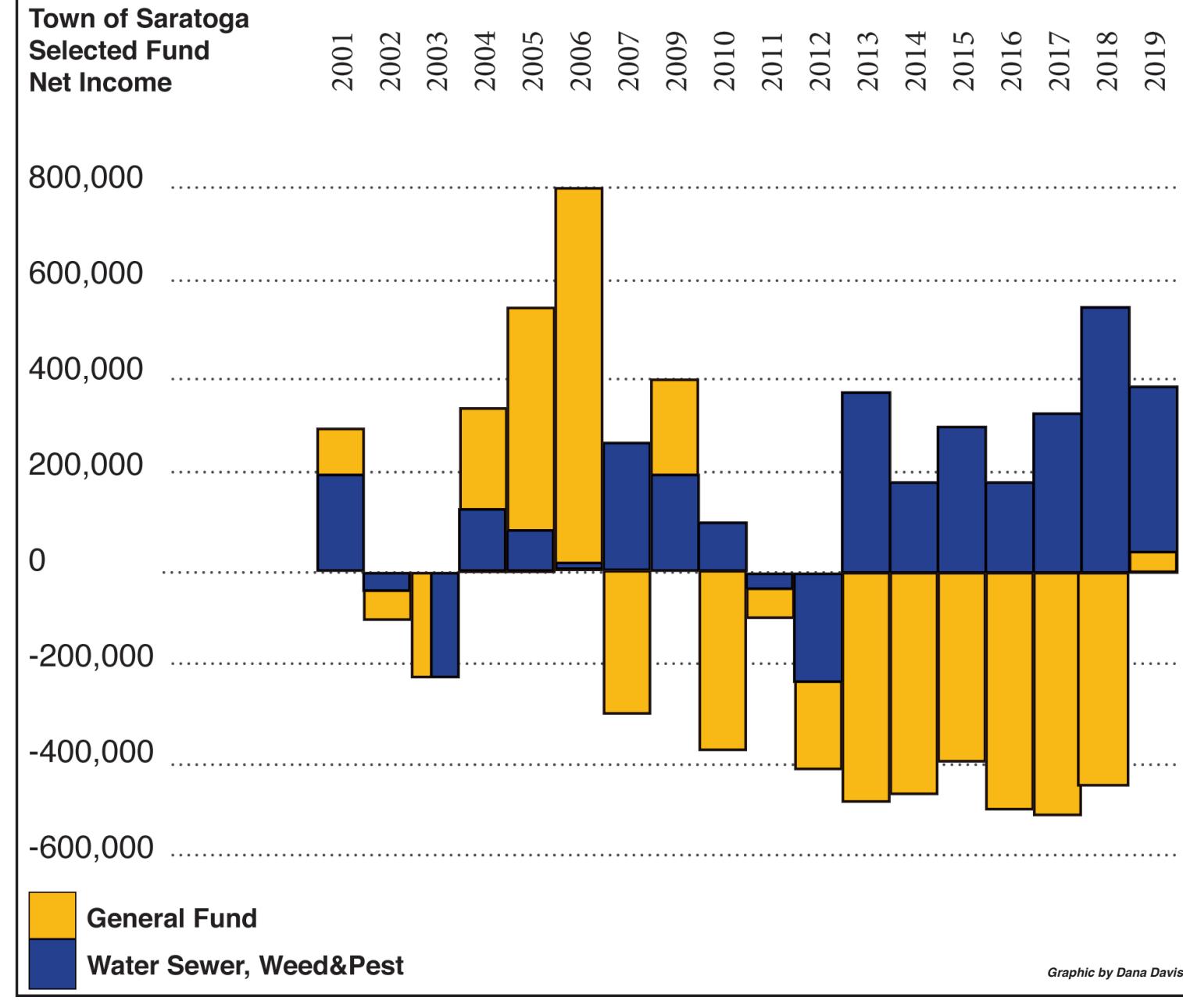
Action of cash was a term used by Childress multiple times throughout the presentation, in which he stated that the Town was forced to make decisions about transfers from other funds. According to Childress, because the Town of Saratoga cannot statutorily show a negative fund balance, the "action of cash" resulted in money being moved from one fund to another.

"(There's) nothing else that moves and shakes in your financial statement except for cash to show either zero or positive, but you can't have a deficit fund balance," said Childress. "You have to manage to avoid that."

## Money Moving

While Childress acknowledged that, for a consistent period of eight years, the general fund had been in deficit he also stated that there had been times in that 20 year period in which the general fund had "bailed out" other funds with its surplus. Again using the term "action of cash", Childress said "the money has to come from somewhere."

He added that as his team considered where the funds



Graphic by Dana Davis

could have been transferred from, they ruled out the airport fund due to federal grant compliance and special revenue funds, such as the Specific Purpose One Percent Sales and Use Tax (6th penny tax), as they were intended for a specific project.

"There's only one other place it could have come from. It has to come from somewhere; water, sewer, weed and pest. Enterprise funds," said Childress. "It's not the best news of the day but that's the box we find ourselves in."

According to Schedule C of the report presented to the Town of Saratoga, which included fund balances and estimated interfund overhead for the 20 year period ending June 30, 2019, a total of \$1,075,277 was listed as an interfund payable. That total number broke down to \$951,384 from the water fund, \$37,618 from the sewer fund and \$86,274 from the weed and pest fund.

## Allocating the Basket

Under discussion of the interfund overhead allocation, Childress informed the Saratoga Town Council that he and his team had examined over 100,000 transactions in the 20 year period to determine

which could be considered an overhead allocation and which were clearly an interfund payable and receivable.

In his report, he listed certain expenditures as being able to contribute to a basket for use in an allocation of interfund overhead. Those expenditures included; salaries, health insurance, travel, supplies, advertising, utilities, bank charges, contract services, communications, payroll benefits, pension fund, training, insurance, repairs, telephone, professional fees and membership dues.

"The objective of this development of the 'basket' was to provide a fair application of the overhead while not going into a level of detail that would be cost prohibitive," wrote Childress in the report. "In future periods, the Town may consider using employee time sheets, or equipment logs, to assist in this process."

The report also read that the general fund owes a debt to the water, sewer, and weed and pest funds ranging from \$737,000 to \$1.1 million.

"This bears the caveat that the historical net transfer deficit may indeed be properly recorded among the water, sewer, and weed and pest funds rather than the general fund," Childress

wrote. "Were that the case, this amount would be reduced to \$737,000."

When questions were asked about the overhead allocation, it was asked by SCCIJPB Chairman Richard Raymer if Childress had considered the \$12,000 annual payment made to the Town of Saratoga for administration costs. Childress stated that he was not aware of that payment.

"I'm an outside party and so I'm looking at all of these transactions," said Childress. "Every single one of these could have a hair sticking out that needs to get caught and combed down."

## Recommendations

After going over his report with the Saratoga Town Council, Childress provided a number of recommendations to the governing body. The most important was that the Town of Saratoga needed to sign the representation letter from CFJ and complete their audit.

"Let yourself be kind of guided by the fact that you have an estimate," said Childress. "You have a disclosure related to an estimate and that's a very important thing for you to say, 'Okay, this doesn't need to be perfect. We're not subject to that

burden of proof in this audit.' It's essential that you get your audit done. It's absolutely essential."

The other recommendation was that the governing body would need to closely monitor their combined, or pooled, cash if they continued with the cash basis accounting. If the Town of Saratoga found that to be too difficult, Childress said, they would need to move away from the pooled cash system and assign individual bank accounts for each entity, such as the water, sewer, and weed and pest funds.

"Those are basically your two options there," Childress said.

After nearly two and a half hours of discussion and questions, the governing body voted 3-1 to accept Childress' report with Nelson voting against.

In the days after the June 23 meeting, emails between members of the council and to members of the media began discussing the scheduling of a workshop to discuss the recommendations from Childress. As of press time, a date has not been set.

The next meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be at 6 p.m. on July 7 at Saratoga Town Hall.



## LEGALS

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

THE RIVERSIDE TOWN COUNCIL WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING JULY 9, 2020 TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED SEWER RATE INCREASES.

THE HEARING WILL BE DURING THE REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AND WILL BEGIN AT APPROXIMATELY 6:30 PM.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE:

Notice is hereby given on the 23rd day of June 2020, Riverside Garage and Cabins LLC filed an application for a retail liquor license in the office of the Clerk of the Town of Riverside, for the following described place to wit: All of Block 57 Riverside, Wyoming. Any protests, if any there be, against the issuance of such a license will be heard at the hour of 6:00 pm or as time allows, on the 9th day of July 2020 at the Riverside Town Hall.

Jana C. Cook  
Clerk/Treasurer  
Town of Riverside

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# LEGALS

## Public Notice REQUEST FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that Medicine Bow Rural Health Care District, Medicine Bow, WY is requesting bids for repairs, removal and replacement of siding and cedar shingles of the Medicine Bow Health Center (MBHC) located at 514 Idaho Dr, Medicine Bow, WY. For further information or questions contact Sandy Levengood Board Chairman Medicine Bow Rural Health Care District PO Box 37 Medicine Bow, Wyoming 82329 307-379-2222

### South Central WY EMS JPB is accepting bids on 2 vehicles.

• 2007 Ford Freestar. 100,000+ Miles. Needs a battery  
 • 2008 Chevy Equinox 100,000+ Miles  
 Both vehicles are sold as is with no warranty and no guarantee.  
 If you would like to see the vehicles or have questions, please call Melisa Sikes at 307-710-7559.  
 Bids must be received by 1 pm July 20th, 2020. Bids may be mailed to:

**South Central WY EMS**  
PO Box 1192  
Saratoga, WY 82331

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All submitted bids must be sealed and received at the MBHC Office, by 1:00 PM on Friday, July 10, 2020. Proposals may be delivered in person, via U.S. Mail or parcel service (FedEx, UPS Address – 514 Idaho Dr. Medicine Bow, WY 82329; U.S. Mail – PO Box 37, Medicine Bow, WY 82329); Proposals may not be received by facsimile transmission, e-mail, or any other electronic or telephonic means. Medicine Bow Rural Health Care District reserves the right to reject any and all bids received that are not deemed to be in the best interest of Medicine Bow Rural Health Care District.

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### The County Clerk's Office has moved the following polling places for 2020 Elections.

Questions about these changes can be addressed to Gwynn or Lisa at (307)328-2650 or elections@carbonwy.com.

TOWN	OLD POLLING PLACE	NEW POLLING PLACE
05-01 SINCLAIR	Sinclair Town Hall	Jeffrey Center 315 W. Pine St., Rawlins
10-01 MCFADDEN	McFadden Fire Hall	Elk Mountain Elementary School 202 Veterans St., Elk Mountain
08-01 HANNA	Hanna Town Hall	Hanna Recreation Center 8000 WY Highway 72, Hanna
07-01 MEDICINE BOW	Medicine Bow Town Hall	Medicine Bow Community Center 221 Pine Street, Med Bow
09-01 ELK MOUNTAIN	Elk Mountain Senior Center	Elk Mountain Elementary School 202 Veterans St., Elk Mountain

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Saratoga Planning Commission at the monthly meeting at 5:30 P.M. on July 14, 2020 at the Town Hall, will hold a public hearing on a Special Use Permit from Robert Smith, 516 N. Eleventh St. Mr. Smith wishes to keep more horses than is permitted by Town Ordinance 18.42.150. The code permits 1 horse per resident and Mr. Smith wishes to keep the 4 horses (2 additional) he has had for many years. If you have any immediate questions or concerns, please call the Town Hall at 307-326-8335 or e-mail kent@saratogawyo.org.

Kent Smith  
Zoning Officer  
Town of Saratoga

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## Town of Saratoga Manual Checks

Accounts Payable 6/2/20 Childress Invoice	\$8,400.82
Accounts Payable 6/23/20	\$51,959.26
Net Payroll for 6/9/20	\$33,659.65
FICA for Payroll & Paid Liabilities for 6/9/20	\$10,569.95
Net Payroll for 6/23/20	\$33,484.04

FICA for Payroll & Paid Liabilities for 6/23/20 \$52,974.28

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Saratoga Town Council at the monthly meeting at 5:30 P.M. on July 21, 2020 at the Saratoga Town Hall, will have a Public Hearing for approval of a proposed Zone Amendment. This amendment has been requested by Jon Nelson for 107 E. Walnut Avenue, Lot 8, Block 8, Riverside Addition. The laundromat section of the existing building is zoned RD 7200 (Residential) and the remainder of the building is zoned Highway Business (HB). This amendment will place the laundromat section of the building in HB also. Protests, concerns and questions, if any, may be voiced at this meeting. If you have any questions, please call the Town Hall at 307-326-8335.

Kent Smith  
Zoning Officer  
Town of Saratoga

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## NOTICE OF HEARING CARBON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 BUDGET AMENDMENT

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on the proposed budget amendment for Carbon County School District No. 2 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, which is now being considered by the Board of Trustees of School District No. 2, will be held at the Central Administration Office, 315 North 1st Street, Saratoga, Wyoming on the 15th day of July, 2020, immediately following the regular Board meeting, at which time any and all persons interested may appear and be heard regarding such budget.

Board of Trustees of School District No. 2 Carbon County, Wyoming  
Attest:

/s/ James Sewell  
Chairman of Board of Trustees

/s/ Kassey Westring  
Clerk of School District  
Date: June 30th, 2020

## SUMMARY OF BUDGET

Funds	1 Cash Available for Budget July 1st	2 Estimated Revenues for Budget	3 Estimated Cash Plus Revenues	4 Appropriations
General Fund	\$3,48,252.369	\$15,711,747.61	\$19,200,000.00	\$19,200,000.00

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## CARBON COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

### PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold public hearings on the following case files on Monday, August 3, 2020, at 10:00 A.M., Carbon Building, 3rd Floor-Room 368, located at 215 West Buffalo Street, Rawlins, Wyoming.

**C.U. Case File #2020-05:** Request for a Conditional Use Permit in the Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) Zone. The request is to permit an increase in the height of an existing telecommunication tower from 45 feet to 140 feet.

**Project/Site Name:** Coyote Hill  
**Applicant:** Union Telephone Company  
**Land Owner:** BLM

**General Site Location:** Coyote Hill Site is located 13 miles southeast of the Town of Riverside and approximately one-half mile south of State HWY 230.

**Legal Description:** A communication facility lease site located in the SW1/4 NE1/4, Section 2, T13N, R82W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming.

**C.U. Case File #2020-06:** Request for a Conditional Use Permit in the Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) Zone. The request is to permit an increase in the height of an existing telecommunication tower height from 45 feet to 140 feet.

**Project/Site Name:** Needles Peak  
**Applicant:** Union Telephone Company  
**Land Owner:** BLM

**General Site Location:** Needles Peak Site is located approximately 5-6 miles north of the Town of Encampment and approximately 1-2 miles east of State HWY 230.

**Legal Description:** A communication facility lease site located in the NW1/4, Section 9, T15N, R83W, 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming.

**C.U. Case File #2020-07:** Request for a Conditional Use Permit in the Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM)

Zone. The request is to permit an increase in the height of an existing telecommunication tower height from 32 feet to 140 feet.

**Project/Site Name:** Hanna Hill

**Applicant:** Union Telephone Company

**Land Owner:** Anadarko

**General Site Location:** Hanna Hill Site is located approximately 2 miles north of Elmo and approximately 1 mile west of Carbon County Road #291 (Hanna-Leo/Kortes Road).

**Legal Description:** A communication facility lease site located in the SW1/4 NE1/4, Section 5, T.22N., R.81W., 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the southeast corner of said Section 5, from which the northeast corner of the SE1/4, Section 32, T.23N., R.81W., 6th P.M. bears N00°23'06"W 7810.36 feet; thence N32°45'09"W 3476.46 feet to the point of beginning; thence N50°45'06"W 90.00 feet; thence N39°14'54"E 66.00 feet; thence S50°45'06"E 90.00 feet; thence S39°14'54"W 66.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description containing 5,940 square feet more or less. Subject to an existing utility pole guy anchor near northeast most corner of this site.

**C.U. Case File #2020-08:** Request for a Conditional Use Permit in the Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) Zone. The request is to permit an increase in the height of an existing telecommunication tower height from 82 feet to 100 feet.

**Project/Site Name:** Shirley Mountain

**Applicant:** Union Telephone Company

**Land Owner:** Q Creek Land and Livestock Company LLC

**General Site Location:** Shirley Mountain Site is located approximately 5.1 miles southwest from State HWY 77 and approximately 22 miles north northeast of the Town of Hanna.

**Legal Description:** A communication facility lease site located in the SW1/4 NE1/4, Section 11, T.25N., R.80W., 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner

of the N1/2, said Section 11, from which the northwest corner of said N1/2 bears N00°26'45"W 2648.80'; thence N84°12'46"E 2842.83 feet to the point of beginning; thence N74°24'53"E 100.00 feet; thence S15°35'07"E 100.00 feet; thence S74°24'53"W 100.00 feet; thence N15°35'07"W 100.00 feet more or less to the point of beginning of this description containing 10,000 square feet more or less.

**C.U. Case File #2020-09:** Request for a Conditional Use Permit in the Ranching, Agriculture and Mining (RAM) Zone. The request is to permit an increase in the height of an existing telecommunication tower height from 45 feet to 100 feet.

**Project/Site Name:** Weber Mesa

**Applicant:** Union Telephone Company

**Land Owner:** Ronald Crawford

**General Site Location:** Weber Mesa Site is located approximately 1 mile north of Carbon County Road #702 (Baggs-Dixon Road) near Baggs, Wyoming

**Legal Description:** A communication facility lease site located in the W1/2SE1/4, Section 35, T.13N., R.91W., 6th P.M., Carbon County, Wyoming more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of the SE1/4, said Section 35; from which the southwest corner of said Section 35 bears S63°59'11"W 5891.66 feet; thence S49°26'34"W 1930.20 feet to the point of beginning; thence S30°45'47"W 74.00 feet; thence N59°14'13"W 70.00 feet; thence N30°45'47"E 74.00 feet; thence S59°14'13"E 70.00 feet to the point of beginning of this description containing 5,180 square feet more or less. For additional information, call the Carbon County Planning and Development Department at (307) 328-2651.

-s- Union Telephone Company (Petitioner/Applicant)

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## SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 17, 2020

Mayor John Zeiger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Mayor John Zeiger, Councilwoman Judy Welton and Councilman Jon Nelson. Councilman Bob Keel attended by telephone.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the Agenda, Councilman Nelson noted in his email from the Mayor, the purpose of the special meeting was to discuss and allow the Mayor to sign the Childress Representation Letter. The additional items were not appropriately approved for the agenda in a timely manner.

The additional items were stricken from the Agenda. Mayor Zeiger called for a poll of the council; Councilman Nelson voted yes, Councilwoman Welton voted yes and Mayor Zeiger voted yes, and the items were stricken.

**Purpose of Special Meeting:** Review and approve the Childress Representation Letter for signature. Attorney Tom Thompson reviewed the letter to James Childress that had been approved by the council and reviewed the addition to the original letter.

Discussion followed and included discussing 3rd beneficiary language; additional scope of work; who gave permission to add to the scope of work, and timelines that were discussed that indicated that the council would immediately receive the report.

Councilman Nelson questioned if Mr. Childress's report might be a faulty report and that might be the reason for his requesting additional language in the letter.

Councilman Keel noted that in his opinion there has been a lot of doubt and accusations made toward Mr. Childress and he is concerned about what someone might do with this report.

Councilman Keel made a motion and amended that motion to accept the changes to the language in the representation letter to include "without further delay". Seconded by Councilwoman Welton.

Further discussion was addressed by Councilman Nelson stating if Mr. Childress is concerned about some legal repercussion, it should be a concern of the council as well, and because no one has seen the report so how would we know if it was a valid concern. Councilman Nelson indicated he would like a roll call vote to be taken, however, prior to that he read to the council from the Wyoming Constitution Article 15, Section 8 cautioning the council on making their decision.

Richard Raymer, Chairman of the Water and Sewer Joint

Powers Board, referring to the County Commissioners letter and the hiring of an attorney by the JPB, stated for the record that he denies that there has ever been a threat of a lawsuit.

Mayor Zeiger called for a roll call of the council; Councilman Nelson voted nay, Councilman Keel voted yes, Councilwoman Welton voted yes and Mayor Zeiger voted yes, the motion carried.

**Adjournment:** There being no additional business to come before the meeting, Councilman Keel made a motion to adjourn at 5:37 p.m., Councilwoman Welton seconded, the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on June 23, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

-s- Mayor John Zeiger

-s- Suzie Cox, Clerk

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# LEGALS

## SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 11, 2020

Mayor John Zeiger called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Members present: Mayor John Zeiger, Councilman Jon Nelson, Councilwoman Judy Welton and Councilman Bob Keel.

Mayor Zeiger stated that he was adding Public Comment to the agenda, however He added that there would be a two-minute limit and if the comments get out of hand it will be shut down.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of Public Comments, Councilman Keel seconded the motion and the motion carried.

### Purpose of Special Meeting:

Mayor Zeiger stated that the purpose of this special meeting was to pass Ordinance 856 and Ordinance 857 on second reading. Councilman Keel was not at the last meeting and Mayor Zeiger asked Councilman Keel to review his understanding of the budget numbers following the last budget workshop.

Before Councilman Keel had an opportunity to review those budget numbers he was asked if the numbers reflected the sharp reduction that the governor was asking for of the state budget numbers. Additional comments were stated by Councilman Nelson noting that his numbers from his 6/5 email was not incorporated and he would like to discuss those changes. Councilman Keel reviewed the budget numbers by line item indicating that his belief is that many of the revenue line items will reflect the increases that will be coming in due to the increase in tourist traffic and the obvious increase in travel and visitors coming into the valley.

Discussion followed with a number of questions and comments exchanged.

Mayor Zeiger read Ordinance No. 856, an Ordinance amending the 2019/2020 Budget on Second Reading. Councilwoman Welton made a motion to pass Ordinance No. -856 on Second Reading, Councilman Keel seconded the motion.

Discussion followed with Councilman Nelson stating that the request for including fund transfers for the airport and enterprise funds be included.

Mayor Zeiger called for a poll of the council; Councilman Nelson voted no, Councilwoman Welton voted yes, Councilman Keel voted yes, Mayor Zeiger voted yes, and the motion carried.

Mayor Zeiger read Ordinance No. 857, an Ordinance to Provide Income Necessary to Finance the 2020-2021 Fiscal year Budget of the Town of Saratoga on 2nd Reading

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to pass Ordinance No. 857 on Second Reading, Councilman Keel seconded the motion.

Discussion followed from public comments including the need to reduce anticipated income revenues and reducing proposed expenditures.

Councilman Nelson reviewed his proposed changes to the revenues and expenditures.

Councilman Keel's review and estimation of how he perceives the revenues and expenditures for 2020/2021. Councilman Nelson reviewed his changes to revenues; and expenditures:

Parks – adding \$25,000 back into the baseball field line item for a total of \$96,688

Recreation – reduction of hours to 29 hr/per week, removing insurance and benefits

General Fund revenues and expenditures balanced at \$2,954,794 and revenues and

expenditures for the enterprise funds are at \$4,653,985. Councilman Keel amended the motion for Ordinance No.

857 on Second Reading to reflect the line item changes to the Recreation Department as stated, adding \$25,000 to Parks for the baseball fields and adding \$15,890 into the interfund transfers, Councilman Nelson seconded the motion.

Mayor Zeiger called for a poll of the council; Councilman Nelson voted yes, Councilwoman Welton voted yes, Councilman Keel voted yes, Mayor Zeiger voted yes, and the motion carried.

Review and approve the Childress Representation Letter with permission for the Mayor to sign.

Tom Thompson reviewed the Representation Letter that was provided by James Childress and reviewed the language as written. Mr. Thompson voiced his concerns about the language in the letter and suggested revising the letter to James Childress similar to letters we have in the past represented to our auditors.

Councilman Keel made a motion to approve the representation letter as stated with permission for the Mayor to sign, seconded by Councilwoman Welton.

Mayor Zeiger called for a poll of the council; Councilman Nelson voted no, Councilwoman Welton voted yes, Councilman Keel voted yes, Mayor Zeiger voted yes, and the motion carried.

Adjournment: There being no additional business to come before the meeting, Councilman Keel made a motion to adjourn, Councilwoman Welton seconded, the motion carried.

-S- Mayor John Zeiger

-S- Suzie Cox, Clerk

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## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SARATOGA TOWN COUNCIL HELD JUNE 2, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE SARATOGA TOWN HALL

Mayor John Zeiger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Mayor John Zeiger, Councilwoman Judy Welton and Councilman Jon Nelson. Councilman Bob Keel was absent from the meeting.

Mayor Zeiger took a moment to read a statement from Councilman Keel:

"Due to a work conflict that arose today I cannot attend the town council meeting. I wish I could be there to show my support for the town during these trying times. In my 18 months on the town council I have had the privilege of serving with Councilman Steve Wilcoxson. Steve and I have not always seen eye to eye on issues however we have always been civil and fair in our disagreements. Steve was honest in all that he did, and he will be truly missed."

Over the last couple of months, it seems like the politic games have intensified and become irrational, dishonest, and bitter. I invite the media, the general public, and the town councilmen and women to take a step back and remember that we all are human beings who deserve respect and decency. We owe it to past council men and women like Steve Wilcoxson to take control of our emotions and come together on issues that face the town. Thanks, Bob Keel"

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the Agenda, Councilman Nelson noted that he would second the motion with the addition of Items from the Public, Council Comments and Correspondence:

Mayor Zeiger asked if that was a motion, Councilman Nelson amended the motion to include the addition of Items from the Public, Council Comments and Correspondence, the motion died for lack of a second.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2020

as presented, Councilman Nelson listed a number of changes that he would like made to the minutes and if approved as amended he would second the motion. Following the discussion and Clerk Suzie Cox's requested for a written list of the corrections, the motion carried as amended.

**APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:** Treasurer Sammy Flohr read the bills for approval, as follows:

Accounts Payable \$ 69,584.21	\$ 31,088.73
Payroll for 5/26/2020	
Payroll Transmittals	\$ 54,026.79
For a total of \$154,699.73	

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to pay accounts payable in the amount of \$69,584.21 Councilman Nelson objected to the bill presented by Childress Accounting and Consulting in the amount of \$8,400.82. Councilman Nelson objected because the bill was over the \$8,000 amount agreed upon by \$400.82, and the bill included being invoiced for "Budget Prep", that was not approved. Following the discussion and the adjustment to the balance the amended motion for \$61,183.39, Councilman Nelson seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to pay the 5/11/2020 net payroll in the amount of \$30,237.70. Councilman Nelson questioned paying an employee for hours worked outside of their department. Would it be appropriate to pay the Rec Director out of the rec dept for time spent in a budget workshop or should it come out of the town hall budget? Discussion followed where in Councilman Nelson indicated he did not want to jeopardize employee pay checks by objecting to the payroll and seconded the motion, the motion carried.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to pay the payroll transmittals for 5/26/2020 in the amount of \$54,026.79, Councilman Nelson seconded, and the motion carried.

### REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

#### Town Hall:

Mayor Zeiger declared a vacancy on the town council and will ask for letters of interest until June 12th and will make an appointment to fill the vacancy on June 16th at the next

regular council meeting.

Mayor Zeiger read Ordinance 856, an Ordinance amending the 2019/2020 Budget on 2nd Reading due to unanticipated revenues and expenditures.

Councilman Nelson objected to the Ordinance due to incorrect budget numbers and lack of funds transfers. Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve Ordinance 856 on second reading, the motion died for lack of a second.

Mayor Zeiger read Ordinance No. 857, an Ordinance to Provide Income Necessary to Finance the 2020-2021 Fiscal Budget of the Town of Saratoga on 2nd Reading.

Councilwoman Welton made a motion to approve Ordinance 857 on second reading.

Councilman Nelson voiced a number of objections to the budget numbers, adding that the revenues are overstated, and the prioritization of expenditures is flawed, and the motion died for lack of a second.

Mayor Zeiger reviewed the two Street Closure permits submitted by the American Legion for the 4th of July Parade and the 4th of July Street Dance. Councilman Nelson made a motion to approve the event application, Councilwoman Welton seconded, and the motion carried.

**Adjournment:** There being no additional business to come before the meeting, Councilwoman Welton made a motion to adjourn at 6:23p.m., Councilman Nelson seconded, the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Saratoga Town Council will be held on June 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Saratoga Town Hall.

-s- Mayor John Zeiger  
-s- Suzie Cox, Clerk

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## CARBON COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Carbon County Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider the following case file on Monday, August 3, 2020, at 10:00 A.M., Carbon Building, 3rd Floor-Room 368, located at 215 West Buffalo Street, Rawlins, Wyoming.

**C.U. Case #2020-03:** Request for a Conditional Use Permit for the Gateway South Transmission Project (Project). The Project consists of a single circuit, 500 kV transmission line between the Aeolus Substation and the Moffatt County, Colorado border. The request is to construct the Carbon County segment of the Gateway South Transmission Project (which includes expansion of the Aeolus Substation). The Gateway South Transmission

line is generally co-located and offset from the existing Gateway West Transmission line. The Project will consist of 500-kV alternating current (AC) electric transmission lines and associated substation facilities as part of the PacifiCorp Energy Vision 2020 Plan.

**Project/Site Name:** Gateway South Transmission Project  
**Petitioner:** PacifiCorp doing business as Rocky Mountain Power

**General Site Location:** The Project crosses approximately 107.7 miles through Carbon County from the Aeolus Substation to the border with Colorado. Copies of the application can be reviewed at the Carbon County Library (main branch) located at 215 West Buffalo Street in Rawlins, Wyoming or at the Carbon County Planning and Development Department located at the Carbon Building, 215 West Buffalo Street, Suite 336, Rawlins, Wyoming. In addition, the Applicant's

CUP Application may be reviewed or downloaded at the following web address:

<https://www.pacificorp.com/transmission/transmission-projects/energy-gateway/gateway-south.html>. For additional information, please call the Carbon County Planning and Development Department at (307) 328-2651. Please submit written comments to: Carbon County Planning and Development Department, Carbon Building, 215 West Buffalo Street, Suite 336, Rawlins, Wyoming 82301.

-s- PacifiCorp doing business as Rocky Mountain Power (Petitioner/Applicant)

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## Town of Saratoga Cash Requirements Report

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SARATOGA DO IT BEST LUMBER	445.63
CARBON POWER & LIGHT	15,039.27
CASSELLE INC.	850.00
CNA SURETY	250.00
IN THE SWIM-CORTZ INC	2,565.00
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DANA KEPNER CO..	127.31
DANA KEPNER CO.	928.04
LANE'S PLUMBING & HEATING	99.20
MELISSA FAUST	20.00
MPM CORP	31.50
ONE CALL OF WYOMING	31.50
PERUE PRINTING	104.00
POSTMASTER	58.00
APEX COMMUNICATIONS	1,057.80
SARATOGA AUTO PARTS	82.32
SARATOGA SUN, INC.	1,253.75
SARATOGA C C J P B	150.00
SHAWN MCBRIDE	35.00
SHIVELY HARDWARE	661.57
UNION TELEPHONE	2,754.26
VALLEY FOODS	24.17
VALLEY OIL COMPANY	722.10
BCN	97.62
WYOMING DIESEL SERVICE	3,334.81
WYOMING RETIREMENT SYSTEM	555.00
SARATOGA RECYCLES	40.00
PITNEY BOWES-RESERVE	600.00
QUALITY LAWN CARE	8,292.50
SUSAN LANE	150.00
JOE ELDER	20.00
3P'S PLATTE VALLEY PORTA POT & SEPTIC	330.00
BRIDGER FABRICATION	24.73
KASSEY WESTRING	35.00

MEGAN JAMES	35.00
PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL SERVICES	378.93
STINKER STORES INC	1,028.26
IMPERIAL PUMP SOLUTIONS LLC	4,299.77
KELLIE ANDERSON	20.00
BUB BARKHURST	20.00
HEATHER BARTLETT	20.00
SAMMY BASINGER	20.00
SHANNON PETH	35.00
DIXIE BERGER	20.00
ASHLEY HOWE	20.00
BAILEY LOFLIN	35.00
MCCALL BURAU	20.00
KRISTA CAMPBELL	35.00
TYLER CHRISTEN	20.00
MISTY CLARKE	20.00
KANDACE STARR	20.00
KAREN CONDICT	35.00
STEVE DELORIO	20.00
SUSAN ELLIS	20.00
ASHLEY FLUTTY	35.00
TAMMY STEVENS	20.00
REANN FOLLUM	20.00
LISA SWANSON	20.00
SHELBY GORES	20.00
CARLY GRUBB	35.00
CARRIE HADERLIE	20.00
BECKY HANSON	20.00
SIARA HATCH	35.00
JESSICA HULL	35.00
LACE JENKINS	20.00
JEREMIAH JOHSON	20.00
ANY JOHNSTON	35.00
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