City of Libby Government Study Commission Minutes of Commission meeting # 12 Wednesday 12March2025 @ 5:30pm Kw Maki Theatre, 724 Louisiana Ave Libby, MT

meeting called to order at 5:40 PM

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Roll Call of the Board Members

All members present Taylor, Bebee, Backen, DC

3. Welcome and announcements

In the audience Gale Burger, on zoom Ray Stout The zoom interface was not working properly however the live chat was functioning properly.

Noted that the minutes from #10, #11 and #12 will be notified for approval at the next scheduled meeting.

4. Correspondence and Study Commission Updates

Backen had spoken with the school superintendent and Dean the teacher about the internships and tasks for the students. 1. Help develop a powerpoint presentation for the purpose of the Commissions outreach. 2.make phone calls 3.help with mailers.

Bebee said he had spoken with the principal about internships.

5. Unfinished Business

- a. Ask for job descriptions of all city employees

 Hugh stated he had asked the City for the job descriptions, he has
 not received them
- b. Discussion on the Spokesperson responsibilities

 Open discussion on the reasoning for a designated spokesperson it was decided Backen would be the spokesperson.
- c. Addressing media inquiries

 An open discussion deciding on the proper way to be honest and
 transparent with media inquiries and media as an official view of

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the commission. This duty will be directed to he spokesperson

- 6. New Business
 - a. Discuss each commissioners action item status

Backen informed the commissioners of his efforts to communicate to the political parties in Lincoln county.

DC and Hugh discussed the decision of the City to exclude the commission from presenting a report at the council meetings. Hugh stated he will request the council to reinstate the commission reports at the council meeting.

Open discussion on the action items asking for 1. Banking information 2. A record book of P.Os 3. Asking for the records and number of charge cards.

After this discussion it was recommended to write a request for these on official letterhead and have it certified mailed. Hugh was asked if there is a system in place to honor city employees for their good works. Hugh said there was not.

- b. Discuss agenda items for the next business meeting, the items for the next agenda was discussed 1, develop a transparency / accountability committee (TAC). 2. Office
- 7. Other Scheduled Matters, Further discussion on the difference of ethics and TAC. Backen stated he would review the Miles city Ethics ordinance
- 8. Public Comment

Gale Burger, Libby city council member, was invited to address the commission the invitation was declined

- 9. Announcements (such as schedule time, date, and location of next meeting)

 Discussed the date and time of the next meeting being a 10:00 am following thursday at the Maki
- 10. General comment from council, None
- 11. Adjournment and or recess. Motion made by Backen to Adjourn seconded by Bebee the motion carried Adjourned @ 7:05 PM