

**MINUTES**  
**ALTA TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Friday, February 26, 2021, 12:30 PM**  
Alta Community Center, 10351 E. Highway 210, Alta, Utah

**BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Harris Sondak  
Council Member Cliff Curry  
Council Member Elise Morgan

**TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS OBSERVING:**

Council Member Margaret Bourke

**STAFF PRESENT:** John Guldner, Town Administrator

Chris Cawley, Assistant Town Administrator  
Piper Lever, Town Clerk  
Jen Clancy, Deputy Town Clerk  
Mike Morey, Town Marshal  
Sarah McCloskey, Head Dispatcher

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

Mayor Sondak called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM and read the Letter of Determination regarding conducting the Town of Alta public meetings without an anchor location, which applies to this committee meeting.

*I, Mayor Sondak, hereby determine that conducting a meeting with an anchor location presents a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at an anchor location, Pursuant to Utah Code Section 52-4-207(4), and [Alta] Resolution 2020-R-12. The facts upon which this determination is based, include the percentage number of positive COVID-19 cases in Utah has been significantly higher since May 27, 2020. The seven-day average of cases has been over 1,395 since February 2, 2021. The COVID-19 patients in Utah hospitals have increased during the same period. Over half the State cases are in Salt Lake County. As of February 2, 2021, there have been 1,685 deaths in Utah due to COVID-19. This meeting will not have a physical anchor location. All attendees will connect remotely. Attendees may join the webinar by registering for the meeting through the Town website: [www.townofalta.com](http://www.townofalta.com), or the meeting can be watched on YouTube. Additionally, comments may be emailed to the Town Clerk at [plever@townofalta.com](mailto:plever@townofalta.com). This determination will expire in 30 days on March 3, 2021.*

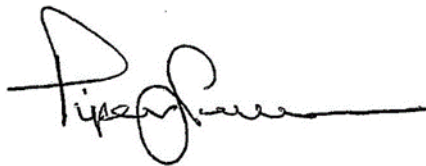
Mayor Sondak reviewed list of budget items and the committee made comments on a few.

- The question of what number to base the sales tax projection on was discussed. Mayor Sondak suggested 95% of the actual FY2020 amount. Cliff Curry suggested 100% of the FY2019 amount, but stated that he was not going to argue the point and would support the number the mayor came up with.

- The members agreed that the property tax should keep up with inflation and it was recalled that the last T&T hearing was 2019.
- The mayor thought the resort shuttle amount should stay the same as FY2020, even though it was not used during FY2021.
- Even though the Town Administrator did not foresee any new building development requiring impact fees this coming year, it was considered a good idea to have a number in the expenditure side that might be used to move the community center project forward.
- The subject of ACVB contribution was put off until May of this year when ACVB Board could ask the Council for what they might need and what they would spend it on.
- The subject of salaries was discussed and the Committee agreed that it was the right thing to do to offer 2 yrs worth of COLA increases plus any merit increases the mayor saw fit to declare.
- The matter of a business license study or a revenue and expense distribution allocation study was discussed with the mayor saying he thought \$6,000 could be allocated towards that study.
- Discussions also included the needs of the police department to cover officer and dispatch shifts and the building maintenance dept to have someone who could manage more involved projects. Capital projects were briefly discussed and water department needs.

### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

APPROVED by the Town Council on March,10, 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Piper Lever", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Piper Lever, Town Clerk