

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 8, 2021

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Present: Mayor Kriner and Councilmembers Alexander, Levine, McMillan, Ritter and Weddle on zoom.

Staff: Johnson, Attwood and Danison, Laura Wright on zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and the pledge of allegiance was given by all.

Motion to approve the agenda as written. M/McMillan, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Public Comment

- Rene Maldonado was on zoom and wants to listen and learn.
- Bertha Villa Maldonado was also on zoom for the same reason.

Kurt Danison Report:

- Planning Commission has been working on a draft set of amendments for addressing therapy animals.
- Planning Commission is also working on accessory dwelling units—there will be a public hearing in July.
- The Six Year Transportation Program Public Hearing will be at the June 22nd council meeting---He requests everyone review the 2021 plan so all can be prepared at the hearing. Stated Superintendent Johnson will have the most input.
- Briefly discussed the ARPA funds the City and County will be receiving.

Unfinished Business

Motion to approve the final payment of \$24,994.57 to Central Washington Asphalt for the Airport Improvement Project. M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

Department Head Reports

Sheriff's Department/Laura Wright

- Will be bringing in the trailer that has a radar speed sign to move around town.

Attwood

- The State audit is still going on, should be completed soon.
- Asked the Council members if their Councilmember emails are working—Levine is the only one that said no.

Johnson

- Working on cemetery. Weddle thanked Darren for the work done at the cemetery.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Mayor

- Reminder the retreat is on the 19th at City Hall from 10 am – 2 pm.
- Reported that with the help of the City Attorney, the two problem downtown buildings have finally been taken care of.

Levine

- Reported local people are requesting faster internet service.
- Memorial Day service was beautiful—great ceremony put on by the Legacy and Legion.
- Parade was awesome!

McMillan

- Shout out to those that put on the parade!
- Thanked Rocky DeVon and scouts for putting up the barricades.

Ritter

- Reported Teresa Davis at the Extended Care is aware of what is happening regarding the request for animals and has asked her to be patient.

Weddle

- Committees quiet—hopes to have the updated project list at the next meeting.

Alexander

- No report.

Motion to set the public hearing for the Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan for 6-22-2021. M/McMillan, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Police Ad Hoc Committee Report

- Levine stated they have come up with more questions and gaps. There are a lot of unknowns. McMillan asked what her gut feeling was—she replied a lot of people would like our own police department. Ritter responded it is not just a gut feeling. The police department budget relies on Current Expense Funds and it is not a stable source of income. There are many things needed, a new building, new fleet of vehicles, wages. It is just not feasible.
- Maybe a feasibility study needs to be done however that could be costly. Should we ask the community what is missing by not have a police department?
- No action was taken at this time.

Motion to approve the Peddlers Permit for Esteban Flores. M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

Motion to have a free swim day at the Tonasket Community Pool on opening day. M/McMillan, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-10 authorizing an Airport Land Lease Agreement. M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the consent agenda, the minutes of the previous meeting, the May Payroll \$38,559.34 (10747 – 10762 and direct deposit 5/25/2021) and the June Bills \$116,438.67 (10763 – 10810 and EFT 1-4). M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer