

**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, December 14, 2021**

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

**Staff:** Attwood and Johnson

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

**Motion to approve the agenda.** M/McMillan, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

**Public Comment**

- Mayor Elect Maldonado thanked Mayor Kriner and team for the transition meetings.

**Ken Vanderstoep inquired if he could connect to city water. He lives north of town and is not in the City Limits. This matter was turned over to the Water/Sewer Committee.**

**Kurt Danison was unable to attend the meeting.**

**Unfinished Business**

There was discussion regarding declaring the Cemetery Property surplus in order to sell it to Bergh Funeral Home. The Committee had met and Resolution 2021-13 will be put on hold for now.

**Department Head Reports**

**Johnson**

- Maintaining equipment.
- New person hired.

**Attwood**

- Has been working on budget.

**Mayor/Council/Committee Reports**

**Mayor**

- Mayor Kriner thanked the Council and Committees.
- Stated René will do well as Mayor.
- Attended OCOG meeting.
- Winterfest went well.
- There is a new elephant feature at the TVBRC built by Quill.

**Attorney Howe reported on the selling of the Cemetery property.**

- Stated it is legal to sell the property—needs to be surplus first.
- Should enter into an earnest agreement with terms and conditions---
- If worth over 50 K then a public hearing is required.
- Nothing more required.
- It is ok to negotiate one on one with a potential buyer.

**An appraisal will be done for the crematorium property, and the Clerk will check on zoning.**

**Motion to move forward with an appraisal on the property to be sold.**

**Amendment to motion—also have a survey done on the property.** M/Alexander, S/Weddle, carried 5:0. M/Alexander, S/Weddle, carried 5:0 on first motion.

**Sheriff Hawley Report**

- Written reports submitted.
- There is an up tick in thefts.
- Secure your belongings.
- New Deputy on board shortly.
- Shop with a cop successful, kids from Tonasket were there.

**Levine**

- Attended the Cemetery Committee meeting.

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- The ad hoc Committee for the American Rescue Plan funds met.
- Winterfest was good.
- Wished everyone a great Christmas.
- Thank you to Councilmember Ritter for her many years of service as a Councilmember.

#### McMillan

- Reported he has reviewed the Budget and suggests that it is passed.
- Public Safety Committee activities have been slow.
- Thank you to Mayor Kriner and Councilmember Ritter for their time serving the City—it has been an honor and pleasure.

#### Weddle

- Reported has been working on Finance and Safety.
- Stated Mayor Kriner has accomplished a lot—all you have to do is drive around town and see the accomplishments.
- Thanked Councilmember Ritter for 14 years of service—wishes her the best.

#### Alexander

- Reported nothing happening with airport or cemetery.
- Thanked Mayor Kriner and Councilmember Ritter for their service—both great people.

**Mayor Kriner presented a certificate of Appreciation to Councilmember Ritter for her 14 years as a Councilmember. Flowers were also presented to her.**

#### Ritter:

- Stated not being on Council any more is bittersweet. Thanked everyone for the recognition. Stated she never took her decisions lightly and her advice is never forget about the people on fixed income.

**Motion to approve the Professional Services Agreement for Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Services with Randy Taylor.** M/Weddle, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

**Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-14 the Fee Schedule for 2022.** M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0. It was stated the Airport Committee should revisit the airport fees.

**Motion to adopt Ordinance #832, the 2022 budget.** M/Weddle, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

**Motion to table Ordinance #833 repealing Section 2.12.050 of the Tonasket Municipal Code.** M/Levine, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

**Motion to adopt Ordinance #834 budget Amendment.** M/Weddle, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

**Motion to table Resolution 2021-13 until after the appraisal of the property.** M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

#### Miscellaneous and Correspondence

- Councilmember Alexander reported he has received a letter that needs to be given to the Safety Committee.

**Motion to approve the Consent agenda: Minutes of the November 23, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, the minutes of the October 20, 2021 Budget Workshop, the November 2021 Payroll \$52,060.87 (11219-11235 & Direct Deposit Run 12/28/21) and the December 2021 Bills \$45,554.73 (111716 – 11215 & EFT 1-2).** M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned.

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Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer