

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Tonasket City Council on Thursday February 11, 2021
Via Zoom

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

Staff: Johnson and Attwood

Also in attendance was Okanogan County Commissioner, Andy Hover,

The meeting was called to order a few minutes past 5:00 pm, the roll call was taken and all Councilmembers were in attendance.

This meeting is a special meeting to consider and possibly take action on a proposed addendum to the Law Enforcement Services Agreement with Okanogan County and related issues.

Mayor Kriner explained the issue of concern is the City's insurance provider, RMSA, does not want to insure the police vehicles that are currently being used by the Deputies that are covering Tonasket as per our contract. It would be in the best interest of the City to pay off the loans on the vehicles and transfer the ownership of the vehicles over to Okanogan County Sheriff's Department, then they would be responsible for the vehicles.

Commissioner Hover explained the current contract the City has with Okanogan County does not include vehicles and if it did, the amount of the contract would be considerably more than it is now.

There was much discussion on the matter.

Motion to approve Ordinance #823, a budget amendment, to take responsibility to reduce liability to the City. M/Alexander, S/McMillan. Carried 4:0, Levine abstained.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign applicable documents to pay off the vehicle loans. M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to amend the contract with Okanogan County Sheriff's Department to transfer ownership of the two police vehicles over to Okanogan County Sheriff's Department. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0, Levine abstained.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 6:00 pm.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer