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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, June 14, 2022

Present: Mayor Maldonado, Councilmembers Hill, Levine, McMillan and Weddle.

Staff: Pilkinton, Seydlitz, Johnson, Danison (on Zoom),

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm and the pledge of allegiance was given by all.

Roll Call was taken.

Public Comment - None

John Bodkins was on zoom and left early but in the chat box wrote that he wanted to be on the next meeting agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 3:0.

Levine arrived at 6:04 pm.

Ed Koonce gave a presentation on his proposal for the City to work with him for an Emergency Preparedness EOC. He is a ham radio operator and would like to set up the radios and antennas at the Youth Center because of its location. The Council and Mayor had questions about the amount of time the Youth Center would be needed to be used, interference with other entities and how they all work together. Koonce said he would need to sit down with them to get more information for their questions. Levine would like to invite Mike Warden to a meeting.

Public Comment

Maurice Goodall with Okanogan County Emergency Management: Gave a report of all that the City receives for paying for Emergency Services through Okanogan County Emergency Management. There is a meeting June 21 to adopt the Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan that has expired.

Danison

- Planning Commission Floodplain Management Code Public Hearing June 21.
- Shoreline Public Workshop June 21.
- Public Facilities Element is out of date, Kurt needs the questionnaires back by the end of June.

Unfinished Business

Six Year Transportation Improvement Program- Planner Danison shared his screen, on Zoom, of the Six Year Street Program priority spread sheet. Need to add charging stations and move up 2nd Street on the list. Council will vote to adopt at the next Council meeting after the Public Hearing on June 28th.

Department Head Reports

Hawley

- Reports submitted electronically.
- Backed up what Maurice stated and are in the process of getting a mobile command/dispatch center.

Johnson

- Ryan Erickson has been taking his CDL and graduated.
- Cleaned the Pool.
- Swept the street for Founder's Day.
- Weed wacked, edged and leveled headstones.
- Weed sprayed.
- Replaced wind socks at the Airport.

Taylor

- Mayor Maldonado read the Building Official/ Code Enforcement Official report.

Attwood

- Joël read the Clerk-Treasurer report.

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Motion to approve Zosel bill for \$1650.00. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Levine

- Tonasket Fire Ban follows suit with Okanogan County, please put it on the website.
- Go to the Father's Day Fly- In.
- Lots of emails from the engineers.

McMillan

- Had a meeting with Law Enforcement Tuesday, will talk about that more later.
- BBQ was successful!

Hill

- Letting the Airport Improvement Club talk during her report time.

Airport Improvement Club- Travis Hilkey: The airport is run down and dilapidated. The Airport Improvement Club spends hundreds of hours taking care of it and the City took away the courtesy car. Not having a car is hurting the economy because pilots don't have a way into town. They need help hauling off debris and want the courtesy car back.

Lee Orr urged everyone to come to the Fly- In, this is our only fundraiser. Steak Saturday night and Breakfast Sunday morning. The rest of the discussion will be held at the end of the meeting.

Weddle

- Law Enforcement Meeting went well.
- Shout out to Okanogan Highlands Alliance for letting us use their equipment for the movie at the BBQ. Also, the singers were great!
- Will give the rest of her time to the Airport Improvement Club.

Mayor

- The BBQ was great, face painting, free Pool, music, the whole community liked it.
- Thank you, Council, Darren and Alice.

New Business

Kurt Holland, Varela Engineering, went over the Phases of the Perfect Passage and what is included in the first payment of the project. All the funding for this part is 100% Grant Funded. The construction management portion of the contract is not included because it is normally 10% of the construction cost and they can't estimate that amount at this time.

Motion to approve the Perfect Passage Project Engineering Services Agreement with Varela and Associates and authorize Mayor Maldonado to sign applicable documents.

M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0.

Motion to enter into negotiations with Okanogan County Sheriff's Department for Law Enforcement Services for the contract which ends March 2023. M/McMillan, S/Weddle.

Carried 3:0. Levine abstained. Weddle read a statement in favor of the recommendation.

Motion to excuse Alexander. M/McMillan, S/Levine. Carried 4:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence

The Mayor read the written request from the Farmers Market asking to put a permanent sign south of town. It was stated that the land belonged to WSDOT and the Mayor suggested inviting Shayla to the next meeting for discussion.

The Mayor had a request from a Tonasket resident asking for relief from late fees for a month on their water/sewer bill. The resident came in and paid so this matter is resolved. The Mayor would like to have some research done on if this can be put into a policy and make sure it's not gifting of City funds.

Airport Discussion Continued

Levine explained why the car was taken away from the airport in the first place. One person's abuse was the whole airports loss. The City needs to contact our insurance company to see who needs to carry the insurance.

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Travis said the Airport Improvement Club would carry the liability if the city would supply the car. Hill & Alexander, as the Airport Committee, will get together with the Airport Improvement Club and bring a recommendation to the next council meeting.

Motion to approve the consent Agenda: the minutes of the previous meeting, the May Payroll \$52,396.81 (11531-11553 & Direct Deposit 5-31-22) and June Bills \$81,044.51 (11554-11594 & EFT 1 - 3). M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Joël Pilkinton, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer