

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, July 26, 2022

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

Staff: Pilkinton, Johnson and Attwood

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm and the pledge of allegiance was given by all.

Roll Call was taken.

Motion to excuse Councilmember Hill from the meeting. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0.

Public Comment

Bonnie Langford with the Tonasket Nautical Torpedo Swim Team, requested the Council to table the Swim Team agreement so that they can have a meeting with Public Works, the Mayor and City Clerk. The insurance is taken care of for the year and they are not holding swim meets this year and got a late start, so they only have 8 more practices left. They will have these practices during lap swim time so there will be a life-guard already on duty.

Motion to table the agreement between the City of Tonasket and the Tonasket Nautical Torpedo Swim Team until the next meeting. M/Weddle, S/ McMillan. Carried 4:0.

Motion to approve the agenda with amendment to remove New Business letter g since it has already been addressed. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0.

Hill entered on zoom at 6:05 pm.

Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. M/Levine, S/McMillian.

Motion to amend the minutes of the previous meeting by adding to Councilmember Hill's report that Superintendent Johnson also attended the airport meeting and the reason the City cannot give the Tonasket Airport Improvement Club a courtesy car is the city cannot own a car and let someone not associated with the city drive the car, and the NCRL Project this fall, the funds are for the Library, and Councilmember Hill asked about the property at the Cemetery. M/Hill, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

Vote taken on the original motion, carried 5:0, vote taken on the amendment, carried 5:0.

Stacey Okland, Georgia Lamb, and Tony Hawley were present to talk about the Law Enforcement Community Partnership. Stacey Okland shared her screen for the presentation on the Okanogan County Community Coalition and what they do. She touched on the Law Enforcement Community Partnership, and community walks. The purpose is to limit Youth access to substances, change culture and contexts and reduce prevalence of negative consequences. The budget of \$1000.00 is to help fix things, and to build Law Enforcement-Community relationships. She gave the Council the option to do a community walk to see what Tonasket can do to counter crime and have the Coalition here.

Public Comment

Aaron Kester would like to hang a sign with location and times of the Kiwanis Club meetings under the Kiwanis sign on the Welcome to Tonasket sign north of town. There was a pole there, but it was stolen. Attwood stated that it is State ROW and she will call WSDOT to get information on pole regulations. Kester also told Council that he sent them a QR Code for the Tourism Council sign.

Unfinished Business

Kurt Holland, Varela and Associates, was present on zoom. Holland went over the top 3 projects on the Transportation Improvement Board Application. They are 4th Street, 2nd Street, and crack sealing half of town.

Motion to approve the TIB Application as presented for the 4th Street, pavement preservation, and reconstruction of 2nd Street. M/Levine, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.

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Holland gave an update on the Federal Appropriation request of \$1,000,000.00 for the Perfect Passage, the State legislative funds comment period and he plans to start the survey for the project soon.

City Hall Doors- Attwood is asking Council for direction of the unclear motion from the previous meeting. McMillan and Hill agree that they would like to see the doors replaced with like kind doors that are there now. Weddle believes that it is important to accommodate ALL of the community with the best access to their public building. The budget was \$60,000.00 and the bid came in at \$35,000.00. Get another bid but include all aspects. Alexander stated we should ask Twisp City Hall, new Library and the Hospital about their doors. Wants to make sure we can get a quality door. He wants to help.

Motion to get a bid to replace the doors with manual like kind doors. M/McMillan, S/Hill. Motion failed 2:3. Alexander, Levine and Weddle voted no.

Levine- For ADA it is a challenge to enter and exit. This building should not be a challenge. Would like to see sliders with an auto function. Wants to get more information.

Mayor/ Council/ Committee Reports

McMillan

- Weddle, the City Clerk and he met and went over the Sheriff Department Contract and have a meeting with them on Tuesday @ 1:30 pm.

Levine

- Justin Haug was at the last meeting. Sod has been tore up and construction has started.
- Emails with Representative Steele about the Culture Resource Study for the Perfect Passage.
- Thank you to Public Works for being so quick to open the drains during the torrential down pour.

Alexander- None

Weddle

- Met with the Finance Committee.

Hill

- What's the status of the Cemetery sale of the property?

New Business

Motion to approve the amendments to Chapter 15.16 of the Tonasket Municipal Code subject to the finding of facts and conclusions contained in the staff report and move forward with the formal public review and approval process. M/Alexander, S/Weddle. Discussion followed. Vote taken. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the 2023 Budget Dates as amended to state the meetings will be at 6:00 pm not 7:00 pm. M/Weddle, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

City Hall/ Library Roof Quote: Attwood suggested to use the Cumulative Building Fund to pay for the roof project.

Motion to accept the quote submitted by Vitan Construction in the amount of \$38,517.50, and authorize the Mayor to sign applicable documents, and use half from Capital Improvements and half from Cumulative Building Fund. M/Levine, S/Weddle. Hill abstained. Carried 3:1. McMillan voted no.

The Mayor appointed Levine to the OCOG Board and Weddle to the TranGo Board.
Motion to appoint Councilmember Levine to the OCOG Board and Councilmember Weddle to the TranGo Board to represent the City of Tonasket. M/McMillan, S/Alexander. Carried 5:0.

Storm Water Loan:

Motion to pay the Department of Ecology Storm Water Loan in the amount of \$13,070.00 plus any interest due. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

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Miscellaneous and Correspondence

- Bike for MS would like to camp in History Park July 30, 2022. They have too many members to camp in the bike park behind the TVBRC.

Motion to allow Bike for MS to spend the night in History Park. M/Weddle, S/Levine.
Carried 5:0.

- There was a payroll error caught this month on the hourly amount payed to the Pool Managers. The Clerk asked the Council to approve a pay increase of \$0.25 to \$15.50 for the Pool Managers.

Motion to approve the pay of \$15.50 per hour for the Pool Managers for the 2022 season.
M/Levine, S/Alexander. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:20pm.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer