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**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, October 11, 2022**

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

**Staff:** Attwood, Pilkinton, Johnson and Danison (zoom).

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

Roll Call was taken.

**Public Comment:** None

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

**This meeting has been advertised as a public hearing on the notice of intent to file an application for federal assistance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture.** Mayor Maldonado opened the public hearing at 6:03 pm. Abby Gromlich, Varela Engineering, was present via zoom to explain the process and reason of the public hearing. Abby gave the Council a quick overview of what the application.

**Motion to approve Resolution 2022-13 authorizing participation in the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) Loan and Grant Application Process.** M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

The Mayor closed the public hearing.

**This meeting has been advertised as a Public Hearing on the 2023 Preliminary Budget.** The Mayor opened the public hearing. Clerk Attwood presented the revised Preliminary Budget figures and explained to the Council the process and stated she would have the expenditure budget before the workshop on October 26, 2022.

**Motion to accept the 2023 Preliminary Budget and have it filed with the City Clerk.** M/McMillan, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

The Public Hearing was closed.

**Planner Danison Report:**

- Levine did great presenting the City projects for the Infrastructure '09 Funds. There were 14 projects presented. Should know the outcome by October 25, 2022.
- Retail Academy meeting is October 17 at 9am - 3pm at The Twelve Tribes Casino. It would be good for a Councilmember to attend. (Hill will attend.)
- Will be at the IACC Conference in Wenatchee October 18- 20, 2022.
- No Planning Commission this month.
- Little input on Community Facilities.
- No input for the Shoreline Survey, needs to be done by June but hopefully more like February or March.
- Mike Buchert applied for a long plat about 10 years ago. It was approved but there were no notices provided. He didn't apply for an extension. Attorney Howe advised to provide notices and allow Buchert to split his lot. There are papers that need to be filed with the Assessor first.

The Infrastructure '09 Funds application was due September 30. Priority list for Tonasket is 1) Perfect Passage 2) City Hall, Library, Police Building 3) South Access to Chief Tonasket Park 4) South End Annexation.

**Public Comment:** None

**Unfinished Business:**

**Old Police Building:**

McMillan- Explained 4 options presented to Council. Randy has sketches from Zosel.  
Levine- Funding source for planning and feasibility for the Tonasket Municipal Building was presented. We have to wait 2 weeks to see if it makes the list.

Attwood- Mayor got an email and call from a man from the United States Department of Agriculture. He would like to present to council what they have available for Tonasket. October 25, 2022 at 5:30pm was decided on.

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**Ordinance #837:**

Weddle- Was nervous about the Council making such a quick “no” decision on the tax levy. Doesn’t want to make this an action item, just wanted to look at all the numbers first and the budget not just individuals.

McMillan- At some point we may have to raise taxes but not now, the amount if nothing for our budget.

**Department Head Reports:**

**Johnson**

- Blowing out city irrigation lines.
- Filling potholes/ cracks with hot mix.
- Sweeping streets.
- Trimming trees.
- Will get to the pile at the Airport.
- Pool meeting tomorrow.

**Hawley**

- Reports submitted electronically, 74 instances.
- Working with the School on the Homecoming Parade.

**Attwood**

- None

**Alexander**

- Approached by a citizen asking why the Legion isn’t allowed to put the flags on the 4<sup>th</sup> St bridge anymore. The Fourth St. Bridge is in the County and the County has been contacted.

**Weddle**

- Been working with the people at Hoot Owl Lane, they don’t want to bring it back to Council. Looks like they are steering away from connecting with city water.
- Thank you Bob and Jane Thompson for all the work on the sidewalk in front of the Community Cultural Center.

**Hill**

- Private people redoing sidewalks, how does that work with the city?
- North Central Washington Library update Reimaging Spaces for 2024- 25.
- Approached by Green Okanogan member about who to contact about more recycling, specifically glass.
- Where are we on the Cemetery appraisal?
- Did we get any door bids?
- Is the Library roof repaired?
- October 19<sup>th</sup> from 11 - 12 is a zoom class with MSRC. It’s \$40.00 and you can watch it later.
- How did the City Clean Up go?
- Status on the Baseball Field Project?

**McMillan**

- None

**Levine**

- Went to Economic Development to present the 4 city projects. Being on the list has helped with the Perfect Passage.
- Perfect Passage is #1 on our list and the Tonasket Municipal Building is #2.
- Would like to look at the South Access/ South Annexation more.
- Approached by Mary Lou Kriner about LTAC funds for the trail at Chief Tonasket Park.
- Mary Lou Kriner is Chamber President again as of August.
- Want to request minutes from other entities to make sure Council is talking to the right people.
- Went to the OCOG meeting, DNR lifted burn ban, County lifted the burn ban for campfires only.
- RTP pulled the Perfect Passage, not sure why, needs some changes.
- County will be sending award letters in 2 weeks for the ARPA funds.
- Sat out in front of Rooster’s and watched traffic, saw that a lot of people miss the left hand turn and have to turn around.

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**New Business:**

**Motion to consider approval of the Peddlers Permit Application submitted by Eric Schneider upon clearing the background check.** M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

**Motion to approve Resolution 2022-14 surplusing items no longer useful to the City of Tonasket.** M/Weddle, S/ McMillan. Carried 5:0.

**Miscellaneous and Correspondence:**

Retail Academy is October 17, 2022.

Building Official report.

Park and Recreation and Park Committee. meeting Friday regarding Pool budget.

**Motion to approve the consent Agenda: the minutes of the previous meeting, the September Payroll \$52,551.94 (11826-11841 & Direct Deposit 9-30-22) and October Bills \$237,892.03 (11825, 11842- 11893, 11705V & EFT 1-3 10/11/2022).** M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:14 pm.

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Alice Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer