

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, November 14, 2023

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

Staff: Attwood, Pilkinton, Johnson, and Danison.

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 (agenda items): None

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

Public Comment: None

Barbara Walters, NCW Library Executive Director: The proposed new Library contract has changed the square foot usage of the building from 4727 to 2145, cutting out the council room. The library has asked the city to set a fixed rate or charge on a per use basis for use of the council room. Most other cities charge what is in their fee schedule for everyone. This will go to committee for a recommendation for the next Council meeting. NCW will be receiving grant dollars for remodeling the interior of the library, starting in 2025. The bookmobiles are being discontinued because of lack of use.

Levine entered at 6:11 pm.

Public Hearing: Mayor Maldonado opened the Final Budget Public Hearing at 6:20 pm. Clerk-Treasurer Attwood asked for direction on some of the budget item requests. The Council went through the list discussing and giving direction. The hearing closed at 6:47 pm.

Kurt Danison Report: Kurt Holland presented the Perfect Passage Project for the .09 Infrastructure Funds and Councilmember Levine presented the South Access, South Annexation, and Municipal Building Projects. Been working on the South Access since 1991 so it is 1st on the priority list. Planning Commission may meet next week. They will be reviewing food vendors, nightly rentals and large animals in certain zones and setting a public hearing. They are also working on the Comp Plan and hope to have it finalized by next year. Floodplain is done and Shoreline has been sent out.

Unfinished Business:

Motion to adopt Ordinance #845, fixing the amount to be raised by Ad Valorem taxes upon all taxable property, both real and personal within the City of Tonasket for the year 2024 for the Current Expense and City Street Funds. M/Weddle, S/Levine. Discussion. Failed 2/2.

Library Agreement tabled until next meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Johnson

- Picking up leaves and brush
- Cleaning storm drains
- Fixing up the trucks and sweeper
- Vacations

Taylor

- 1 commercial and 1 residential permit issued
- Leaves pushed into the street, taken care of
- 2 RV's on State St, owners remodeling home, temporary
- 2 inspections scheduled next week

Sheriff Budrow

- Working on budget
- Suggestion Tonasket look at getting 4 flock cameras, initial cost then \$12,000 a year

Attwood

- Gave her time to Kurt Holland

Holland

- Going out for bid on the Perfect Passage by the end of the year
- Perfect Passage construction is April 8 – mid September
- The 4th Street sidewalk looks great

Mayor/ Council/ Committee Reports:

Levine

- IACC; learned a lot, there are a lot of projects and funding, networking, Cle Elum got an award for their street project
- OCOG meeting; short, not a lot to discuss
- The presentations went great, next year would like to score them for prioritization

McMillan

- Had the budget workshop
- Tentative agreement with the Union

Hill

- Alone on Cemetery and Airport committees now
- Would like IACC highlights
- Winterfest is December 1st & 2nd, parade is Saturday at 5:00
- Legion Kids, 12 and under, Christmas Party is looking for gift donations
- Quilts of Valor group has awarded 8 quilts, Raffel is December 2nd at 3:00
- 4th Street looks nice, it's much narrower

Weddle

- Her and Levine are looking into parking code
- IACC; 10 pages of notes, great use of time and money, networking, understanding the shortage of operators
- Working on budget
- 4th Street Project is beautiful, having to remind students there's a sidewalk now
- Thank you to Kurt Holland and Tegan Levine for presenting

Mayor Maldonado

- IACC; high level overview of what has to come together to make things happen in a city
- Kurt Holland's wife was wonderful!
- Hung out with Darren Johnson

New Business:

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-11 the fee schedule for 2024. M/Weddle, S/Levine. Carried 4:0.

Motion to amend the Airport Site Plan to make the portion of the Airport that used to be a mobile home sight into a hangar site. M/Levine, S/McMillan. Discussion. Carried 4:0.

Mayor read the resignation letter from Councilmember Alexander.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence: None.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the previous meeting 10/10/23, Budget Workshop 10/18/23 minutes, Special meeting 10/23/23 minutes, October Payroll \$53,631.21 (12676- 12691& Direct deposit 10-31-23) and November Bills \$219,714.68 (12675, 12692-12734 & EFT 1-4). M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 4:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Joël Pilkinton, Deputy Clerk- Treasurer