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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, January 23, 2024

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

Staff: Attwood and Pilkinton.

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): None

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

Public Comment (other): None

Unfinished Business:

Motion to proceed with the electrical and camera installation and accept the quote from Gardinier Tech of \$7703.50 for Public Works and \$9656.50 for Parks. M/Levine, S/Weddle. Discussion. Carried 5:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports:

McMillan

- Had communication with Tanya Palomares about Kiwanis taking over the Founder's Day Parade, they don't have enough people. The Farmer's Market has volunteered to take it over.

Weddle

- Would like the Tree Board to give a report, possibly spring and fall.

Hill

- Inquired about the playground equipment.
- Would like the Mayor's budget letter to be on Facebook.
- Ernie and she will meet about the Airport Hanger Lease revisions.
- Inquired about an update from Justin Haug.
- Didn't know a lot about the Tree Board, looked at the Municipal Code, and thinks they need to be involved with the Perfect Passage tree planting.
- Please invite the Tree Board to Council.

Cerrillo- None.

Levine

- Emails with Varela about the Capital Budget Requests, talked to Representative Kretz about it, Abby sent out updates, there's \$198,258.00 available but we haven't broken ground yet.
- AWC Action Days changed venues and now half of the participants can't go. They didn't have the registration so she can't go. She will be going on her own to talk about requests though.
- Rural neighbors have been having troubles with wolves. Representative Kretz will be introducing a new bill Friday morning.

Mayor

- Met Friday with Ecology and DOT about the Perfect Passage. Ecology has concerns about some wording in the contract. Reviewing with DOT and them so we can go out for bid.

Attwood

- Ecology has concerns that we don't own Hwy 97 and they are giving us money to fix it and don't want DOT to come in and disturb anything over the life of the system. The City will have Attorney Howe review the contract and then will have another zoom meeting.

New Business:

Motion to approve Mayor Maldonado's Committee and Appointments list for 2024.
M/Weddle, S/Levine. Carried 3:0. McMillan and Hill abstained.

Election of Mayor Pro-Tem:

McMillan nominated Councilmember Weddle. Votes were counted. Weddle wins 5:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence:

- Ziplly Groundbreaking/ Ribbon Cutting is February 13th, 2024 from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers. Open to the public but must RSVP by February 9th.
- Attwood error budgeted \$6,000.00 instead of \$10,000.00 for the iPads, but the money is available. The iPads will cost \$1559.80 each from Gardinier Tech. Council would like price comparison before making a final decision.
- Justin Haug hasn't responded yet with a price for the building. There are funds available in City Hall Park Reserve to help.
- James Moore would like to meet with the Public Building committee about options for the TVBRC. Next week works.
- Weddle will be making a project board to show and add updates at each meeting.
- Council would like to create an Art Board for the Perfect Passage and future projects.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Joël Pilkinton, Deputy Clerk