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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, February 13, 2024

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

Staff: Pilkinton, Johnson, Danison, Taylor, Yarnell 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.

Public Comment (agenda): None

Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of 9.d) Project Board. M/McMillan, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Public Comment (other): None

Mike Torrence/ Founder's Day Parade: Mike Torrence with The Farmer's Market spoke about the plans for the Founder's Day Parade for 2024. He requested any contacts with resources or history. The parade will be May 25th, 2024, the same weekend as the rodeo. He met with Lori Sawyer and will attend a Comanchero's meeting. He would like to recruit more log trucks, classic cars, old tractors and possibly kids walking pets. He wants 50+ horse riders to be at the end of the parade. The parade will start at 5th St this year and go to 1st St.

Michael Stewart/ Chamber of Commerce: Not present.

Unfinished Business:

- a) **Motion to approve the City contributing \$12,000.00 from the City Hall/ Park Reserve Fund to Tonasket Junior Baseball Project to complete the project toilet enclosure.** M/Weddle, S/McMillan. Carried 5:0.
- b) **Motion to authorize the purchase of 6 iPads for the Mayor and Council in the amount of \$9358.80 from Gardinier Tech.** M/Weddle, S/Levine. Discussion. Carried 4:1. McMillan voted no.
- c) **Motion to approve the 4% increase for the City Superintendent and City Clerk-Treasurer for 2024 as per Resolution 2021-08.** M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Discussion. Carried 5:0.
- c) **Motion That the 4% increase for the City Superintendent and City Clerk-Treasurer are retroactive January 1, 2024, and based on 2023 wage.** M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

d) **Project Board:** The Council went through the project board list and discussed each project in depth. Halfway through the project board discussion Michael Stewart entered the meeting and the floor was turned over to him.

Michael Stewart/ Chamber of Commerce: Michael Stewart, Chamber of Commerce President, informed the Council that he was catching up with things that had been behind on for the Chamber. They are going to order the playground equipment and will pay for the insurance for the Founder's Day Parade this year. He will work with Mike Torrence on the parade. They are setting up fiber for the RV Park and making setting up reservations easier and updating the website.

d) **The Council resumed with the Project Board list discussion.**

Department Head Reports:

Danison

- Planning Commission next Tuesday, will be continuing the Public Hearing on proposed amendments to the Zoning Code and Official Zoning Map. Handed out a copy of the regulations to the mobile vendors in town but haven't received any feedback. They will start reviewing the Comprehensive Plan next month.
- Will get together with Kurt Holland about the scope of work for the South Chief Tonasket Park access.
- Will meet with Clerk-Treasurer Attwood to finish the Park Plan.

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Johnson

- General maintenance at the shop.
- Fixing potholes.
- Maintaining playground equipment for spring.
- Placed a new radar sign on Havillah Rd.

Yarnell

- Written report sent to Council.
- Cody Lund was promoted to Sargeant so that leaves a vacant deputy spot.
- Will be meeting with Superintendent Young about a school resource officer.

Taylor

- Issued two residential permits for 2 duplexes- 4 units.
- Inspecting existing permits.
- Tagged multiple vehicles after the snow and took care of a garbage complaint.

Attwood

- Working on Cemetery Regulations and Ordinance.
- The existing EV Charger can stay as is, the city can buy it or it can be removed.
- Will have an Interlocal Agreement at the next meeting for the new EV Chargers.
- The Tree Board will be asked by Gay at the meeting on Friday to come to the next meeting with a report.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports:

Levine

- Inquired about the length of time to get a building permit.
- Was in Olympia for her job so couldn't go to the Perfect Passage meeting.
- OCOG meeting; wildfire program to focus on Tonasket, and other towns that have been affected by wildfires, to help with being prepared for victims that need FEMA funds.
- New pavement projects in the county are taking longer because of new requirements, want to make sure Varela is aware so it doesn't slow down the Perfect Passage.
- Budrow is talking to cities about hiring an animal control officer for the county.

Cerrillo

- Went to the Ziplly Groundbreaking, there were about 30 people there.

Hill

- Didn't go to Ziplly.
- Inquired on a contractor for ADA ramps for a business on Whitcomb.
- Gay has been cleaning out the storage area.
- Inquired about the Cemetery sign.
- Inquired about when the Tree Board will report.
- Inquired about who owns the building at the RV Park.

Weddle

- The Perfect Passage is close to going out for bid.
- Visited the Ziplly Ribbon Cutting.
- Wants to set up the quarterly meeting with the Sheriff's Office.

McMillan

- Went to the Groundhog Day feed.
- Asked for one minute of silence for George Frank.

New Business:

- a) **Parade Policy:** Give Attwood your ideas and she will have an updated policy at the next meeting.

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Miscellaneous and Correspondence:

- Attached to the packet is a senior class letter.
- Certificate of Appreciation for recognition of contributions in protecting and preserving cultural resources on behalf of and for the CTCR.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda: the minutes of the previous meeting, the January Payroll \$61,159.71 (12846-12861 & Direct deposit 1-31-24) and February Bills \$268,618.06 (12844, 12845, 12862-12917 & EFT 1-3), M/McMillan, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

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

Joël Pilkinton, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer