

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, February 27th, 2024

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

Staff: Attwood and Seydlitz.

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/Cerrillo, S/ McMillan. Carried 5:0.

Public Comment (other)-Travis Hilkey had two comments. One regarding the airport lease and airport club. He has received no response from a presentation in December 2022, there is no accountability and asked for progress. Second, he noted that he filed a complaint to the Mayor and all Council members three weeks prior and has received no response from anyone. Stated the Mayor and Council do not care what people think.

Tree Board Report- Rob Thompson reported on the members of the Tree Board, what they have been doing and what the goals are for this year.

Roger Castelda- Dedication will be May 11th at the memorial for George Frank. Attwood will check on sign permits.

Motion to allow the Armed Forces Legacy Group to place a sign on the walking bridge over Bonaparte Creek in memory of and to honor George Frank. M/McMillan, S/Hill. Discussion. Carried 5:0.

Unfinished Business:

Motion to approve the Parade Policy as presented. M/Levine, S/Weddle. Discussion. Carried 5:0.

Project Board- Mayor Pro Tem Weddle said this will be addressed during Council and Committee reports.

Discussion regarding the Site Hosting Agreement with EV Charging Solutions. Decision to table until the next meeting, after Attorney Howe has time to review and after the Council has more information on the company.

Motion to approve the Contract with Okanogan County for Planning Only funds in the amount of \$138,000.00 for Chief Tonasket Park South Access contingent on Attorney Howe's review. M/Levine, S/Weddle. Carried 4:1. McMillan voted no.

Motion to approve the Contract with Okanogan County for funds in the amount of \$115,000.00 for Perfect Passage Phase 1 contingent on Attorney Howe's review. M/Weddle, S/Cerrillo. Discussion. Carried 4:0. Levine abstained.

Motion to approve and authorize the mayor to sign the 4th Street TIB Project Contract Completion Updated Cost Estimate. M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports:

McMillan- None

Hill-

- Airport Interlocal move to Mayor on Project Board.

Cerrillo- None

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Levine-

- Went to Olympia, it was rough to get the budget passed, they cut projects and reduced money. Talked about Fentanyl, looking for more awareness in Tonasket and what Council can do here.

Weddle-

- The Finance and Personnel Committee met with Mayor and Attwood.
- Street Parking Code next time.

New Business:

Motion to approve the new updated Clerk-Treasurer job description as presented.
M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Discussion. Carried 5:0.

Motion to add the “administrators” to line beginning “Keeps up to date on the Public Records Act...” on page 2, in the Clerk-Treasurer job description. M/Levine, S/McMillan.
Discussion. Carried 5:0.

Motion to make the Clerk-Treasurer position a salaried position beginning March 1, 2024.
M/McMillan, S/Hill. Discussion. Carried 4:1. Levine voted no.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence

- Information provided regarding Community Wildfire Plan.
- Cemetery update – quotes for new sign coming in. Possible QR code to locate graves on the new sign.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Gay Seydlitz, Utility Clerk