

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Tonasket City Council, April 9, 2024

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

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

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.

Public Comment (other): None.

Alexa Whipple- Methow Beaver Project: Explained that she received a call from the Legacy about beavers falling trees on their shed. She explained the ways they help coexist with the beavers. She would suggest tree wrapping, flow devices and culvert protectors. The agreement had been reviewed at the previous meeting and Attorney Howe recommended the hold harmless section be removed. Alexa will talk to Chris Johnson, her boss, to see if this is possible. There was also discussion about decreasing the scope of their work and just wrapping the trees.

Kurt Danison Report:

- Economic Development Director, Craig Larson, was here meeting the Mayor and Council and took a walk around town a bit.
- Planning Commission is on hold till July, waiting for grant dollars to finish the Comprehensive Plan.
- Working on updating TMC 17.70 so the Council can readopt it and make the Zoning Code complete.

Unfinished Business:

- a) Landowner Agreement with Methow Salmon Recovery Foundation/ Methow Beaver Project. Tabled to next meeting.
- b) **Motion to approve Ordinance #849 amending Sections 17.10.023, 17.10.024 under definitions; modify district use chart 17.70.020; add new chapter 17.115.025 to the Tonasket Municipal Code; amend the official Zoning map; containing a severability provision; and setting an effective date, as modified, business license as applicable and change Chelan/ Douglas County.** M/Weddle, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.
- c) Purchase of Gerald Green Property. Attwood will talk to Mr. Green about sharing the closing costs. Tabled to next meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Johnson

- Sweeper has been around town twice.
- Cleaned out catch basins.
- Flushed water lines.
- Parks are open, mowing and setting up for irrigating.
- Had the pool house door fixed, ordered chemicals.
- Spring clean-up this week.
- Talked to County about the cemetery trees, got 4 bids, they will be on the next agenda.

Yarnell

- Submitted report/ 82 calls.
- Officers are utilizing the new office space at the high school.
- Submitted an amendment to the contract.

Taylor

- Issued 3 permits- 2 residential, 1 commercial.
- Ongoing inspections on building permits.
- Had a complaint about feral cats on 7th Street, the City has no ordinance on this.
- Third Street garbage problem hasn't returned.

Attwood

- Need to set up a meeting with the Public Safety Committee.

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Mayor/Council/Committee Reports:

McMillan

- Soccer season is here and when they have the tournament parking is a mess.

Hill

- The city flag is up at the Havillah turn off.
- Team O.N.E. pamphlet.
- Airport meeting next week. April 18th @ 6:00.

Cerrillo

- None.

Levine

- OCOG- Blue Sky Minds, Okanogan County.
- TranGo would like a representative from Tonasket, they are still having Zoom meetings. They are close to having routes from Okanogan to Chelan.
- Good news email about the Perfect Passage, she read it.

Weddle

- Was on the coast last week.
- Nice to meet Greg from Economic Development.
- Inquired about responsibilities within the rights-of-way in the city.

New Business: None.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence: None.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda: the minutes of the previous meeting, the March Payroll \$55,931.27 (12984-12999 & Direct deposit 3-29-24) and April Bills \$116,351.57 (12981-12983, 13000- 13047 & EFT 1-2). M/McMillan, S/Weddle. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Joël Pilkinton, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer