

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting Tuesday, July 23, 2019 **DRAFT******

Present: Mayor Brown and Councilmembers Kriner, Levine, Ritter and Sackman.

Staff: Attwood

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and the pledge of allegiance was given by all.

Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and the special meeting/workshop. M/Ritter, S/Kriner. Carried 4:0.

Steve Lorz was in attendance to discuss the trees in History Park. There was much discussion on the trees in History Park and the historical importance of the trees and also the possible liability of tree limbs coming down and injuring a person or property. There was also brief discussion about the plaques that are placed at the base of some of the trees and how to take care of them if the trees are removed. No decision was made regarding the plaques.

Motion to allow up to \$1000 be spent to hire an arborist to inspect the trees in History Park and to have staff check with the Conservation District to see if they have an arborist that could do the work. M/Ritter, S/Levine. Carried 4:0.

Jordon Weddle, Park and Recreation District, informed the Mayor and Council they would like to purchase an AED, shades and benches for the Swim Pool and asked for the Council's approval. The Park and Recreation District also would like the Council to approve the increase in the Budget with the City, for 2019 by \$7500. The funds were additional grant funds.

Motion to allow the Park and Recreation District to purchase an AED, shades and benches for the Swim pool. M/Ritter, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

Jennifer Ward asked to be on the agenda regarding the Tonasket Law Enforcement Services Agreement and Police Department Funds Expenses. Ms. Ward voiced her concern regarding the Law Enforcement Agreement with the Sheriff's Department, the hours worked and how to measure those hours and also concerns about the funds at the end of the year in the Police line items being carried over to the next year.

Unfinished Business

Motion to allow Varela and Associates to proceed with the TIB applications for 2nd Street and Chip Seal of several streets. M/Ritter, S/Kriner. Carried 4:0.

Ashley Range, Executive Director of the Community Cultural Center, was in attendance to discuss a complaint about the Music in the Park event. Ms. Range apologized for the loud music and stated the next event's music will be more mellow. It was suggested the event could go to another park.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Levine

- Went to Splash Park, had a blast. Lady there praised the Councilmember who cleaned it up.
- Attended the hospital meeting—they need doctors.
- Tractor Pulls well attended.
- Is it possible to put a portable toilet in Little Learners Park?
- What are the hours of the Splash Park?

Kriner

- The Personnel Policy needs to be reviewed and updated.
- Reported she is attending the Budget and Finance meeting in Leavenworth.
- Park plaques discussed.
- Little Learners park sign discussed that less verbiage should be on the sign than the other park signs.

- Need to have a follow-up meeting regarding the retreat that was held earlier this year to see what has been accomplished.

It was decided to have the special meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 6:10 pm at City Hall.

Sackman

- The quarterly meeting with Sheriff Tony Hawley has not happened yet. Councilmember Ritter suggested Councilmember Levine be a back- up person in case one of the Committee can't attend. This meeting will be scheduled soon.
- Tractor pulls at the Rodeo Grounds were great.

Ritter

- Reported she attended the Perfect Passage meeting. They will be looking for grant funds and the project may be in several phases.
- Inquired about the Round Up. Christian has not attended a Council meeting and there are two important issues. This problem has been going on for over a year.

Mayor

- Attended hospital meeting and it was educational.

Department Head Reports

Attwood: No Report

Hawley:

- Deputies spending time in the city—it will be easier when the Tonasket Deputies are here.
- Deputy for Tonasket being trained will graduate September 13 and the 2nd Deputy will start the academy soon.

Motion to excuse Councilmember Moreno from the meeting. M/Ritter, S/Levine. Carried 4:0.

Motion to approve the adjusted Budget Agreement between the City of Tonasket and the Parks and Recreation District with the addition of another line item for the grant funds.

M/Sackman, S/Ritter. Carried 4:0.

Motion to adopt Ordinance #807, a budget amendment. M/Ritter, S/Kriner. Carried 4:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence-None

Public Comment

Jeff McMillan

- Stated Steve Lorz answered his questions.

Phil Christy

- Gave Mayor and Council a letter from Green Okanogan requesting support for a grant. Consensus of Council to send a letter of support for the grant.

Brenda Jones

- Commented about the trees in History Park.
- Also commented on licensed sprays in residential areas.
- Should rope off areas in park next to trees.
- Situation at Round Up going on too long.

Jerry Anderson

- No comment

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer