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Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting Tuesday, March 12, 2019

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

Staff: D. Johnson and Miller

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

Kurt Danison, City Planner, Report. Reported he attended a retreat for the Economic District and Economic Alliance. The next meeting for the Tonasket Perfect Passage will be on March 28, 2019. The Planning Commission will be meeting on March 19, 2019 at 3:00 pm to discuss a short plat. He talked with Double S Meat concerning their application for a conditional use permit.

Unfinished Business

Contract for an Internal Compliance Administrator. The Public Safety Committee reported they went over the applications from SDB Consulting and SEP Consulting. They both would be a good choice. Councilmember Ritter felt that SDB Consulting would be a better choice because he guaranteed to complete the project within the given time frame. The Council would like City Attorney Mick Howe to be the person that the Internal Compliance Administrator reports to.

Motion to approve the Professional Services Agreement with SDB Consulting in the amount of \$10,000.00 a month for 3 months and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. M/Ritter, S/Moreno. Carried 4:0. Levine abstained.

Motion to approve the extension of the Franchise Agreement with North Valley Hospital and approve the annual payment in the amount of \$1270.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. M/Kriner, S/Ritter. Carried 4:1.

Motion to change the time of the Council retreat to be held on Saturday, March 23, 2019 from 3 pm to 5 pm. M/Sackman, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Levine: Reported Habitat for Humanity will be working on foreclosed properties and remodeling them. She would like to have the old Police Department desks removed from her storage unit as soon as possible. Levine stated she attended the Watershed planning meeting. They are open to the public and are held on every 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm. She also reported there has been a cougar citing on Bonaparte Creek and advises everyone that sees one to report it. Levine reported the Long Term Recovery for the Carlton fire is still active.

Kriner: Reported she would like a water meter installed at the City Shop for bulk water.

Motion to approve installing a water meter at the City Shop for purchasing bulk water. M/Kriner; S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

Kriner also reported that the Public Works Department needs a new utility trailer for the lawn mower. She has received 3 quotes.

Motion to approve the purchase of a utility trailer from North 40 for up to \$2,000.00. M/Ritter, S/Sackman. Carried 5:0.

Arbor Day will be on April 26, 2019 at 1:00 pm in Founders Day Park to plant a tree in honor of former Councilmember Claire Jeffko. Friends of the Library will be meeting on March 25, 2019 at 12:00 pm at the Kuhler to discuss grants for the library. Reported the airport needs a new runway and she is concerned the City doesn't have the matching funds to replace it.

Ritter: Reported Tom Bretz contacted her about his low water pressure and he wants his rate lowered until it is fixed. Superintendent Johnson stated that they won't be able to determine the problem until late spring.

Sackman: Reported she had been contacted by a citizen that feels that the Perfect Passage doesn't fit with the City's needs. She told them to attend the next Perfect Passage meeting.

Moreno: None

Mayor: Reported he attended the TranGo meeting. The Mayor also announced there will be a Firestorm Workshop.

Department Head Reports

Johnson: Reported the lift station is on track. The City crew has been working on the trucks and the Police Department cars.

New Business

Request for a Franchise Agreement for a Mechanical Bridge Crossing over Railroad Ave.: Councilmember Kriner asked that this request be tabled until Blue Bird can be invited to attend a meeting and answer questions. She would also like Building Official Christian Johnson to attend. Council agreed to table the discussion.

Motion to authorize staff to proceed with the process of hiring a Code Enforcement person. M/Ritter, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve pay Request #2 to Award Construction in the amount of \$183,236.78 for the Parry's Acres Project. M/Ritter, S/Kriner. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the proposal from Ann MacFarlane for two hours of videoconferencing. M/Ritter, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Adoption of Resolution 2019-08 Surplus Police Cars: Mayor Brown would like to wait on surplussing the two Police cars. He would like the blue car as a replacement at the airport. It was the Council's decision to move this to the next meeting.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Miller presented Building Official Christian Johnson's report. Councilmember Ritter requested that Building Official Christian Johnson attend the next meeting to discuss several properties in town.

Motion to approve the consent agenda: the minutes of the February 26, 2019 City Council meeting, the February Payroll (8968 -8980 and Direct Deposit Run 2/26/2019) \$37,249.79 and the March 2019 Bills (8967, 8981 – 9027 and EFT 1, EFT 1-4) \$268,559.85. M/Ritter, S/Sackman. Carried 5:0.

Public Comments

Alisa Weddle: Commented she would like the railroad ties from Little Learners Park removed by March 23, 2019. They hope to have the new equipment installed by May 4th. Councilmember Moreno thanked Alisa for building the website.

Jennifer Ward: Made comments regarding the contract with the Sheriff's Office.

Brenda Jones: Made comments regarding the agreement for the Internal Compliance Administrator.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 8:48 pm.

Deniece Miller, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer