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Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, October 9, 2018

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

Staff: Attwood, Cruz, Danison, D. Johnson, Odegaard and Perez.

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

Public Comment

Alisa Weddle was present to update the City Council on the funds raised for Little Learners Park improvements. Alisa stated they have raised \$30,000 for the park improvements and she would like to meet with the Council's Park Committee.

Kim Jacobs, North Valley Hospital, was in attendance to inform the Mayor and City Council the Hospital will be having a mass casualty multi-agency drill on Saturday November 3rd and they are requesting to have First Street closed from 6 am until 2 pm that day. The hospital will be using their own barricades.

Motion to allow the closure of First St. on Saturday, November 3rd, 2018, from 6 am to 2 pm for the training. M/Levine, S/Ritter. Carried 4:0.

Kurt Danison was present to give the Mayor and City Council an update on several matters. There was brief discussion on the railroad, the Opportunity Zone which needs prospectus of different projects, such as developing housing. The Opportunity Zone is for private investors. Kurt stated he was unable to attend the OKOG meeting.

This meeting has been advertised as a Public Hearing on the 2019 Preliminary Budget. Mayor Brown opened the public hearing and the City Clerk proceeded to explain the purpose of the preliminary budget public hearing. The Clerk explained the figures that she has given them are very preliminary and are still being worked on. After discussion the public hearing portion of the meeting was closed.

Motion to accept the 2019 Preliminary Budget and have it filed with the City Clerk. M/Ritter, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

Unfinished Business

Motion to adopt Budget Amendment Ordinance #794. M/Ritter, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

Motion to accept the Cost Allocation Policy with the addition to keep flexibility in mind. M/Ritter, S/Levine. Carried 4:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Levine: The Police Department is cleaned out and the Police Department is now operating out of the Visitor Center. The lead and asbestos remediation started on October 8th. The Farmer's Market will be closing soon, the Demo Derby was fun and ballots will be out soon. Levine reported she attended the watershed meeting at the County and comments must be received by October 28th. Levine also reported there are free classes in Okanogan on the Sheriff's range, the fire ban has been lifted in Okanogan County, and the IACC Conference is coming soon and the need for a police department will be presented to agencies at the conference.

Ritter: Stated she would like to attend the IACC Conference. The Clerk stated she will set this up.

Sackman: Inquired how the annual clean-up went. The Clerk stated it went well. Sackman also stated the Demo Derby was fun.

Moreno: Thanked City Clerk Alice Attwood and Jeannie Ramsey for organizing and taking care of the Annual Clean Up and also extended her thanks to the Pellegrini's, Upper Valley Disposal.

Mayor: Reported he attend the AWC Regional meeting at Sun Mountain. He also reported that some of the benches for bus stops have been installed. The benches for Tonasket will be installed when permission is given.

Department Head Reports

Odegaard: Introduced Officer Jose Perez to the Mayor and Council. Officer Perez is from Spokane and Chief Odegaard is happy to have him here. The Chief reported the white car has been repaired and Officer Cruz is keeping up with the many calls.

Johnson: Councilmember Ritter stated there were a few things brought to their attention at Chief Tonasket Park that may need repair. There is a crack in the concrete at the Splash Park, the animals at the Splash Park need the paint touched up and the bridges on the trail need to be repaired. Ritter asked Superintendent Johnson when is the best time to fix these items. The Mayor stated that he knows some volunteers that will fix the bridges in the spring. There was discussion that a few of the trees at the park are dying and the airport area needs mowing. Johnson stated the airport is usually taken care of by the Airport Club.

Attwood: Reported she had received word from the County that they would inspect the Bridge on Bonaparte Avenue for \$300.

Motion to authorize Okanogan County to inspect the Bonaparte Ave Bridge for \$300. M/Ritter, S/Moreno. Carried 4:0.

Attwood also briefly discussed the violations received from Labor and Industries regarding the Police Department Building.

There was a brief discussion on the Agreement with Ecology for the Parry's Acres Project and that the Preconstruction Conference will be held on October 17th.

Motion to lift the fire ban in Tonasket. M/Sackman, S/Ritter. Carried 4:0.

Motion to excuse Councilmember Kriner form the meeting. M/Moreno, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

Motion to approve the consent agenda, the minutes of the previous meeting, the September Payroll (8509-8531 and direct deposit run 8/29/2018) \$84,834.21 and the October bills (8588, 8604-8661 and 4 EFT Payments) \$75,600.43. M/Ritter, S/Moreno. Carried. 4:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer