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Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, April 10, 2018

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

Staff: Attwood, Johnson and West

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm and the pledge of allegiance was given by all.

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business:

The Mayor and City Council discussed the subject of allowing Bouncy Houses on City property. The Mayor and Councilmember Jeffko are not in support of allowing Bouncy Houses on City property. Councilmember Ritter stated it should be a personal choice whether their child plays in a Bouncy House and we cannot control the actions of others. Councilmember Levine would like to see the commercial liability document that would be issued by a company supplying a Bouncy House. Councilmember Sackman stated it is basically the same as the swim pool. Attorney Howe will be contacted for his opinion.

Motion to table the Bouncy House matter to the next Council meeting. M/Levine, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

Motion to forward Resolution 2018-04 and Ordinances #787 and #788 to the April 24th, 2018 City Council meeting. M/Jeffko, S/Levine. Carried 5:0.

Proposed Storm Water Utility rates discussion. The Council discussed the proposed rate structure for the proposed utility. The City has been awarded a grant/loan package for the storm water plan project. The Clerk presented the scenarios to the Council of a two year loan pay off or a one year loan pay off. After discussion it was determined a one year pay off would be best.

Motion to charge the \$1.50 per residential unit and \$3.00 per business unit per month for one year to pay off the loan and that the boundary for the Storm-Water Utility will be the City Limits. M/Ritter, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports:

Ritter: Reported she and Councilmember Moreno met to discuss Finance matters. It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to pay off the current Police Car loan with Current Expense Funds approximately \$3500. The Finance Committee recommends making a down payment of \$10,000 from the Cumulative Police Fund on the police vehicle being purchased through US Bank and to continue the contribution from the Cumulative Police Fund to Current Expense Fund to assist with the payments of the Police Vehicles. And the Finance Committee recommends paying Interim Police Chief Travis West \$24.00 per hour while he is filling in as Interim Police Chief and contingent on advice from City Attorney Howe, the \$24 per hour will start April 1, 2018.

Ritter stated she is concerned about the hospital generators on the sidewalk on Western Ave and the fact that it has been going on for seven years. Ritter recommends the Mayor contact Building Official Johnson and direct him to fine the Hospital for encroaching on City right-of-way. And if they do not comply fine them on a monthly basis.

Moreno: Concurred with the report given by Councilmember Ritter.

Levine: Reported she was told by a business in town that their water was brown and if the City is going to be flushing lines if they could do so early in the morning. Levine reported that a local group is going to putting on a fund raiser for a local young person who has cancer and please support him if you can.

Sackman: No report

Jeffko: Reported she is still concerned about the Yoga shop and the fact that they are not in compliance. There appears to be someone living in the basement. Jeffko asked that the Mayor speak with the owner of the building.

Mayor: Reported he attended the Trango Bus meeting and they are working on the bus shelters. He also attended the OCOG meeting.

Department Head Reports

West: Reported that the department had 77 incidents last month. One officer was injured on the job and he is better now. Councilmembers Jeffko and Ritter thanked Interim Police Chief West for stepping up as Interim Chief.

Johnson: Reported the Mosaic Art that was donated by Linda Augier has been installed at the pool bathhouse. He also reported they started flushing water lines.

Attwood: Reported the design portion of the Airport Rehabilitation Project will begin soon and that a Police chief test has been scheduled for the 13th.

New Business:

Mayor Brown read the proclamation and declared April 25th as Arbor Day in Tonasket.

Councilmember Jeffko stated the Tree Board needs to meet with Joël Pilkinton to discuss Arbor Day activities and Ed Lawrence is now a member of the Committee.

Motion to approve the RCO Agreement with Tonasket Junior Baseball Association for the Chief Tonasket Park Ball Field Complex Renovation and authorize the Mayor to sign applicable documents. M/Moreno, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the Peddler's Permit Application submitted by Maria Garcia with the conditions to not compete in the City Parks with the non-profit groups such as the baseball and soccer groups. M/Moreno, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve the temporary increase to \$24 per hour for Interim Police Chief Travis West until a full time appointed Chief is hired and have the wage begin April 1, 2018. M/Sackman, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to pay off the current Police Car loan with Current Expense Funds, approximately \$3500. M/Jeffko, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to make a down payment of \$10,000 from the Cumulative Police Fund on the police vehicle being purchased through US Bank and to continue the contribution from the Cumulative Police Fund to Current Expense Fund to assist with the payments of the Police Vehicles. M/Jeffko, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence:

The City Clerk reminded the Mayor and Council there is a public hearing on Monday, April 23rd at 6:00 pm for the Storm-Water Utility and AWC is holding the Annual Conference June 26th-29th.

Correspondence received; a letter from an Investment group wanting to purchase a piece of City property, no action taken.

Motion to approve the consent agenda: the minutes of the previous meeting, and the April Bills \$104,432.82 (8155, 8169-8221 and 5 EFT Payments). M/Levine, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared at 9:03 pm.

Alice J. Attwood. Clerk-Treasurer