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Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Present: Mayor Plumb (arrived at 7:03 pm) and Councilmembers Brown, Jeffko, Moreno, Ritter and Sackman.

Staff: Attwood, Danison and Jensen

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

Public Comment: None

Kurt Danison Report: Kurt reported he attended the OCOG meeting and Tonasket should appoint a representative go to the meeting since the Mayor is not attending the meetings. Currently OCOG is discussing communications and dispatch services. The meetings are on the 2nd Monday of every month. Kurt stated OCOG also discussed the Freight Mobility Plan. Kurt stated the LED street lights have been installed in Tonasket except for those lights on Hwy 20 which will be changed out when the correct light is received.

Unfinished Business

Motion to adopt Ordinance #782 amending the 2017 Budget. M/Ritter, S/Sackman. Carried 5:0.

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Moreno: Reported she has met with Chief Curtis and discussed the status of a new K-9 for the Police Department. The Chief informed her that they are waiting for an opening in the class to send Officer Aguilar for the training. Moreno also reported she mentioned the possible drug related activities in the Bonaparte Creek area to him. Mayor Plumb stated we should be careful implying people are involved with drugs just because they may live in a low income area.

Brown: Reported there was a good article with photographs in the Chronicle about the Demo Derby.

Ritter: Inquired what the status is with the ongoing yard sale on north Western Ave and that the large generator at the hospital is taking up a lot of room on the sidewalk on Western Ave. Mayor Plumb stated he will write a letter to the Hospital District about the generator.

Jeffko: Voiced her concern about not being able to walk down a street due to someone's belongings in the city right of way. It was stated this has been mentioned and discussed at Planning Commission.

Sackman: Inquired if it is legal to ride a dirt bike on city streets. The Mayor replied if the bike has the proper signal lights etc and licensing it can be on the streets.

Mayor: Asked Councilmember Ritter how the fires were doing in our area. Ritter explained that with fires such as in the Pasayten Wilderness, it is hard to find a legitimate standing point to effectively fight the fire so they are making sure that people's homes are not in danger.

Department Head Reports

Jensen: None

Attwood: Reported that water/sewer payments can now be done on line by going to the city's website.

New Business

Motion to cancel the regular City Council meeting on October 24th and the Budget Workshop Hearing on October 24th and change the Budget Workshop from October 11th to October 17th. M/Jeffko, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to sign all paperwork for USDA Rural Development car loan/grant program application. M/Moreno, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

Motion to authorize the United States Armed Forces Legacy group to install the lighting as proposed subject to the inspection and approval of the State Electrical Inspector, Tonasket Public Works and Tonasket Permitting Departments. M/Moreno, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

It was stated it would be nice if the lights installed were consistent with the other decorative lights in town.

Discussion on forming a Stormwater Utility: Mayor Plumb stated it would be beneficial if the Council could take action on this before adopting the budget. Staff was directed to work with the Public Works Committee and have something in writing prior to the October 10th City Council meeting.

Motion to approve the consent agenda: the minutes of the previous meeting, the August payroll \$79,171.75 (7682-7706 and direct deposit run 8/29/2017) and the September Bills \$36,298.33 (7679-7751 and 3 EFT payments 9-12-2017). M/Jeffko, S/Sackman. Carried 5:0.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Alice J. Attwood, City Clerk-Treasurer