

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, May 23, 2017

Present: Mayor Plumb and Councilmembers Brown, Jeffko, Moreno, and Sackman.

Staff: Miller, Curtis, Jensen, and Johnson

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

Motion to approve the absence of Councilmember Ritter. M/Jeffko, S/Moreno. Carried 4:0.

Public Comment - none

Mayor Plumb proclaimed May 26th thru June 4th as Poppy Days.

This meeting has been advertised as a public hearing to review community development and housing needs, inform citizens of the availability of funds and eligibility uses of the state Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and receive comments on proposed activities, particularly from lower income persons. Mayor Plumb opened the Public Hearing. Mayor Plumb read the Summary and asked if any citizens would like to discuss the proposed application for the Downtown Capital Improvement Plan regarding the City's housing and development needs. There were none. Mayor Plumb asked the Council if they had any questions or comments. Councilmember Jeffko stated that this project needs to be done. He then reviewed the adopted Grievance Procedure (Resolution No. 2008-09) and stated that any written comments could be submitted until 4:30 pm on May 30th, 2017.

Motion to approve the submittal of the application for the 2017 CDBG Planning Only Grant and allow the Mayor to sign applicable documents. M/Jeffko, S/Brown. Carried 4:0.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-12 with Certifications of Compliance for the 2017 CDBG Planning Only Grant. M/Jeffko, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

Motion to adopt Title VI Certification. M/Moreno, S/Jeffko. Carried 4:0.

Mayor Plumb closed the public hearing.

Unfinished Business: None

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Brown: Reported that he saw a lot of kids walking in the park and it was good to see. He took a tour of the Swim Pool project and there has been a lot of work done but they still have a ways to go.

Sackman: Asked when the Splash Park would be opened. Superintendent Jensen stated they plan on turning it on June 1st but it will depend on the rising water in the Okanogan River.

Jeffko: Reported the Tree Board has expanded and they are planting several bushes on Thursday, May 25.

Moreno: Reported she has been working with the Police Department on a Fundraising event to raise money for a new K-9 unit. The Mayor suggested this topic be moved to new business.

Mayor: Mayor Plumb reminded everyone of several events coming up. Founders Day will be June 2nd and 3rd and he would like to see the Council participate. The Father's Day Fly-In will be the weekend of Father's Day. Reported that our Sister City, Princeton, B.C., is getting ready for their annual festival. He also reported that OCOG was able to create an RTPPO for Okanogan County because of a state law change made just for us. Also the bus meetings have been going well and Tran-Go will be having an open house during Okanogan Days with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

New Business

Motion to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and approve the Shank's kennel application subject to the scope as stated in the application and all other city ordinances with respect to nuisances and land use. M/Jeffko, S/Brown. Carried 4:0.

Motion to approve the Community Cultural Center use of History Park on July 7th, July 21st, and August 4th for Music in the Park. M/Jeffko, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

K-9 Unit and Fundraiser. Chief Curtis presented the Mayor and Council with a request to start the process of acquiring a new K-9 Unit and to have a fundraiser to offset the cost of training. Officer Aguilar will take the 6 week training with the K-9 dog. The Police Department plan on having the event at the Tonasket Rodeo grounds and will have an obstacle course and possibly a mud pit for a tug of war. Donations can be made at US Bank where an account has been started.

Motion to allow the Police Department to start the process of acquiring a K-9 dog and receive training and to have a fundraiser. M/Jeffko, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence: None

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Deniece Miller, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer