

Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, April 25, 2017

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

Staff: Attwood, Miller, Curtis, Jensen, Johnson and Attorney Howe

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/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Superintendent Jensen- Well #6 and other Public Works items. Superintendent Jensen reported on Well #6 that went down earlier. He has received 3 quotes for a new pump. He would prefer to install a variable pump for the park irrigation but it is more costly and also would need an electrician to install.

Motion to allow Superintendent Jensen to spend up to \$18,000 including tax and the cost of an electrician for a pump for Well #6. M/Ritter, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

Superintendent Jensen also reported that the crew is gaining on the street cleaning. Eight new garbage cans have been assembled and the City crew will be placing them along Whitcomb Ave.

North Valley Hospital requests approval to drill test wells, extraction and injection wells associated with a proposed Ground Source Heat Pump. Building Official Christian Johnson discussed the engineer's report and a request to drill test wells for North Valley Hospital.

Motion to approve North Valley Hospital's 12.06.030 B TMC well application subject to the following conditions of approval:

1. Closure of the SEPA Comment Period (May 5, 2017) without any substantive adverse comment and/or appeal; and
2. Verification of compliance with the regulations by Permit Administrator Johnson and Superintendent Jensen (water manager); and
3. Payment of the costs incurred by the City in verifying compliance (NVH/Parametrix will be provided with an itemized billing).

M/Jeffko, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0

Head Start request for a 5 year lease for the Youth Center Building. Jodi DeCesari, Jackie Pryor and Vicki Good presented the Council with Head Starts annual report. They have been using a portable at the Tonasket School and have been notified that the school will be needing the portable back due to the failure of the recent bond issue vote. They would like to lease the Youth Center for 5 years but the building would need some modifications. Mayor Plumb asked that the subject be turned over to the Youth Center Committee, Councilmembers Ritter & Brown.

Jim Rice: Jim Rice asked if Paul Lewis could speak for him. Paul Lewis proceeded to speak on behalf of Jim and Lois Rice concerning the Mayor requesting them to move from their rental space at the airport. He asked that the City hire Jim as Airport Manager and let him live there rent free for taking care of the airport. Several members of the Tonasket Airport Improvement Club and local pilots, were in attendance in support of letting Jim and Lois live there. Mayor Plumb stated that the original agreement is being terminated because it was written when Jim was a police officer. He no longer works for the City as a police officer. Plumb stated they could present a new proposal to the Council and they would review it.

Public Comment: None

Unfinished Business

Motion to adopt Ordinance #780 – Budget Amendment. M/Ritter, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

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Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Ritter: Thanked Superintendent Jensen for doing the Spring City Clean-Up.

Jeffko: Reported the Tree Board would be planting several trees on Arbor Day, Friday, April 28, 2017. She would like staff to draft a letter thanking Patty Baker for her help. She also reported that people are still speeding at Chief Tonasket Park and would like something done about it.

Moreno: None

Brown: Reported the Tree Board volunteers have really picked up the pace to get ready for Arbor Day and without the volunteers help he would be lost.

Sackman: Asked if there had been another Swim Pool meeting. Clerk Attwood reported that the meeting went better and the Park and Recreation District had changed their budget to reflect the City's budget.

Mayor: Reported that our Sister City, Princeton, B.C., is getting ready for their annual festival. He would like a committee to form and to meet with Osoyoos and Oroville to discuss the betterment of the three cities. Councilmembers Jeffko and Jensen agreed.

Curtis: Councilmember Jeffko asked if there could be more patrols at Chief Tonasket Park around 4 o'clock. Building Official Johnson said he would be willing to meet with Chief Curtis and Superintendent Jensen to discuss some traffic calming ideas.

New Business

Motion to allow the Baseball/Softball group to install an electrical line for a batting cage contingent on Superintendent Jensen's approval and that it be up to code. M/Jeffko, S/Jensen. Carried 5:0.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-07 authorizing the application for WSDOT Aeronautic Funds for Airport Runway rehabilitation and authorize the Mayor to sign applicable documents. M/Jeffko, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the budget for the Swim Pool with the Parks and Recreation District and allow the Mayor to sign applicable documents. M/Jensen, S/Ritter. Carried 5:0.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-10 – Airport Hanger Land Lease with Jeff Koffel. M/Jeffko, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the application for a CDBG Planning Only Grant to be done by Varela and Associates. M/Jeffko, S/Brown. Carried 5:0.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence

Motion to approve payment to Mirabeau Park Hotel in the amount of \$226.16 for Chief Curtis to attend training in Spokane. M/Jeffko, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

The Clerk reported that the mower purchase cost will be a little more than originally thought because an extended warranty has been offered. Also, only 1 application has been received for the pool manager and they will proceed with the interview process. An AWC representative did a tour of the City facilities and will be sending recommendations.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:18 pm.

Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer