

Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, August 23, 2016

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

Staff: Attwood

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

Public Comment

David Hanna, local pilot, was present to give the Public Works Department a radio for the airport. The radio will be used so the crew can be in contact with pilots when they are working on the runway.

Mayor Plumb stated it is of the utmost importance for the airport to remain open at all times to allow Med Star to land in case of an emergency.

Lee Orr stated he will be at the Republic Fly In and check on the details for a NOTAM.

Councilmember Jeffko thanked Dave Hanna for the radio.

Unfinished Business—None

Mayor/Council/Committee Reports

Vugteveen: None

Brown: Reported he has received complaints about fully loaded big trucks traveling on Locust Ave. The Mayor turned this matter over to the Street Committee.

Moreno: Thanked Dave Hanna for the radio for the Public Works Department.

Sackman: None

Jeffko: Reported the Splash Park is being used and parents and kids are having fun. Jeffko reported the groundbreaking ceremony for the swim pool was great and she thanked everyone for voting in favor of the Park and Recreation District. She also mentioned the new art work at the Splash Park and the names are hard to read.

It was discussed that when the Splash Park is ready to be turned completely over to the City that the Park Committee, Hugh Jensen, and the City's insurance representative should do a walk through and address any concerns.

Mayor: Reported there has been a lot of media attention regarding a certain proposed business in town, an exotic dancer club. The Mayor has stated the City does not have a business license process and the City Council does not give approval for businesses in town. The Mayor reported the Planning Commission has been working on a new zoning code which is highly technical and has long term effects on the City. He also stated at no time would he use his office to suppress free speech and he does not have legal authority to deny businesses. The Mayor also reported he was pleased with the swim pool ceremony and it is a great testament to the community and he is very proud of this special community we live in. The Mayor also thanked everyone who has participated in the pool project and they are all VIP's.

New Business

Motion to approve Resolutions 2016-15, 2016-16, 2016-18, 2016-19, all Airport Land Lease Agreements and to allow the Mayor to sign applicable documents. M/Jeffko, S/Vugteveen. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve Resolution 2016-19 declaring city property surplus. M/Vugteveen, S/Sackman. Carried 5:0.

Motion to adopt Ordinance #770, the complete streets ordinance. M/Vugteveen, S/Jeffko. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the 2017 Budget Dates as follows:

Request to Department Heads for Budget Items		August 23rd, 2016
Budget Requests Due to City Clerk	4:30 pm	September 22, 2016
Revenue Sources Public Hearing	7:00 pm	September 27, 2016 (Reg. Mtg.)
Preliminary Budget Hearing	7:00 pm	October 11, 2016 (Reg. Mtg.)
Set Tax Levy	7:00 pm	October 11, 2016 (Reg. Mtg.)
Budget Workshop	4:30 pm	October 12, 2016 (Spec. Mtg)
Budget Workshop Hearing	7:00 pm	October 25, 2016 (Reg. Mtg.)
Final Budget Hearing	7:00 pm	November 8, 2016 (Reg. Mtg.)
Adopt Budget	7:00 pm	November 22, 2016 (Reg. Mtg.)

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

Motion to set September 24th, 2016 from 9 am to 2 pm as the city clean-up day. M/Jeffko, S/Vugteveen. Carried 5:0.

Motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. M/Vugteveen, S/Moreno. Carried 5:0.

Mayor Plumb praised the new group, Friends of the Library, for all of their hard work, energy and dedication.

Mayor Plumb also praised Green Okanogan for their great contributions to recycling in the community.

Miscellaneous and Correspondence

The City Clerk reminded the Mayor and City Council of the upcoming Commissioner Candidate Forum scheduled for September 15th at the CCC.

Ashley Thrasher, a candidate running for County Commissioner, asked to be on the agenda to introduce herself. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform Ms. Thrasher that according to RCW 42.17A.555, it is not appropriate to address the Council and her candidacy.

It was the consensus of the Council to have Attorney Howe write a Right of First Refusal Agreement with Tonasket Emergency Service District for the old fire-hall property.

The Clerk informed the Mayor and Council she has received a request from Jennifer Desjardins for payment of \$150 for expenses incurred when her daughter was injured at the Splash Park. The Mayor and Council stated it would be appropriate as long as she signs an affidavit holding the City harmless and releasing the City from any further claims regarding this matter. The City Clerk will contact Attorney Howe and ask him to write the proper document.

Motion to pay Jennifer Desjardins \$150 and have Ms. Desjardins sign a document releasing the City from any further claim regarding this matter and hold the City harmless from any further liability. M/Vugteveen, S/Sackman. Carried 5:0.

The Clerk reminded the Mayor and Council the IACC conference is coming up. The Mayor, Councilmembers Brown and Jeffko, Hugh Jensen and City Clerk Attwood may attend.

Mayor Plumb thanked Governor Inslee for declaring a fire emergency in 20 counties. He stated that action allows resources at the County level to be available. The Mayor also thanked the fire fighters in the State and said his thoughts and prayers go out to those in the Wellpinit area.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:10 pm.