

## **Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, June 28, 2016**

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

**Staff:** Attwood and Curtis

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/Moreno, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

### **Public Comment**

Rick Gillespie was in attendance to ask the Mayor and Council if they would like to sponsor a candidate forum after the primary, for those running for the Office of County Commissioner. The Mayor said he is up to the challenge, and also a few of the Councilmembers will be involved. The tentative date for the forum is August 18<sup>th</sup>. There was also discussion to possibly have a candidate forum for those running for the office of PUD Commissioner.

Dale Crandall, local attorney, was in attendance representing Margaret and Robert Hirst, regarding their request to vacate a portion of City Right of Way. Attorney Crandall described the vacation request.

**Motion made to adopt Resolution 2016-13 setting the Public Hearing Date for a Petition for Right of Way Vacation for Margaret and Robert Hirst.** M/Vugteveen, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

**This meeting has been advertised as the Public Hearing on the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program.** Mayor Plumb opened the Public Hearing. Kurt Danison stated the list remains the same as last year except the current project, the Pedestrian Bridge Project, has been removed off the list. Mayor Plumb suggested that item #6 Whitcomb Ave Reconstruction, be moved to #2 which is Third St. Sidewalks. The Council concurred. There were no comments from the public.

The Mayor closed the public hearing and the regular meeting resumed.

**Motion to adopt Resolution 2016-10, the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2017 – 2022 as corrected.** M/Vugteveen, S/Brown. Carried 4:0.

**Kurt Danison reported he has been working on several issues.** The TIB Led light program is progressing. Kurt attended an Economic Development panel discussion on wildfires in Spokane with Governor Inslee. There was also discussion on the County level regarding deer crossings on Highway 97 between Tonasket and Riverside and options for minimizing the number of deer interactions with vehicles.

**Unfinished Business: None**

### **Mayor/Council/Committee Reports**

**Brown:** Reported the old swim pool and bathhouse at History Park are being torn down.

**Sackman:** No report.

**Moreno:** Reported she has received positive feed-back about the Father's Day Fly In. Mayor Plumb thanked Councilmember Moreno and Chief Curtis for their involvement in the Fly In.

**Vugteveen:** Reported the County Commissioners are banning fireworks in the County. Vugteveen asked when the Splash Park going to be open and the Clerk stated we are waiting for the operating permit from the Health District. She also reported there is a homeless camp at the south end of Chief Tonasket Park. Discussion followed regarding the use of fireworks in the City and a burn ban. The new bus stops in Tonasket and a covered area at a bus stop was briefly discussed.

**Mayor:** Reported he continues to work with TranGo as the Vice Chair of the Board.

**Proposed Ordinance #768 was discussed.** Many aspects of using fireworks in the City were discussed. The Mayor is requesting that citizens refrain from using fireworks in residential areas, especially aerials that can land on homes. The Mayor stated that persons could go to Chief Tonasket Park and light their fireworks there. Councilmember Vugteveen stated it is a difficult issue and the Council needs to respect people's freedoms.

**Motion to adopt Ordinance #768, imposing restrictions on the use and discharge of fireworks within the city, as amended.** M/Vugteveen, S/Moreno. Carried 4:0.

**The Mayor appointed an ad hoc committee, Councilmembers Vugteveen and Jensen, to be available to act as a burn ban committee.** The City will not be adopting the County's burn ban but will meet if needed to decide if a burn ban is required.

**Motion to adopt Resolution 2016-09, City of Tonasket Assets: Fixed and Small and Attractive Policy.** M/Vugteveen, S/Brown. Carried 4:0.

**Motion to adopt Resolution 2016-11 City of Tonasket Policy Regarding the Sale of surplus Property.** M/Vugteveen, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

**Motion to adopt Resolution 2016-12 declaring certain property to be surplus to the City.** M/Vugteveen, S/Sackman. Carried 4:0.

#### **Miscellaneous and Correspondence**

The City Clerk reported the Consumer Confidence report has been mailed to all of the water users, The Pedestrian Bridge is to be installed soon, and she has been researching a new company for on line and credit card bill pay. The Clerk also reported the audit exit conference is coming up soon, possibly July 11<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm.

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**Alice J. Attwood, Clerk-Treasurer**