

Regular Council Meeting of April 7, 2015

Present were: Mayor Spieth, Councilmembers Koepke, Naillon, Neal, Hart and Roley.
Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Spieth. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the March 17th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Vicki Hinze, Rally at the Border Blues Fest, was present to give an update on the event. Hinze stated that more tickets have been sold compared to the same time last year, rooms are already sold out at the Camaray and they are working with Veranda Beach to put together a package. Hinze discussed the event itself and the minor changes that have been made for this year. Hinze is asking for permission for street parking closure from Appleway to Central for possibly 2 to 2 ½ hours, also requesting that the flags be placed prior to May Day. Hinze would like to attend the May 5th meeting to discuss further.

Tina Janowicz, Run for the Border 2015, was present to give an update on the event. Janowicz stated that this year the donations will be given to the CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for Children program. Janowicz presented a road closure proposal for parking for the event; closure approved by Council.

Park Use Application for the Soccer Field on Kernan Road for August 8th and 9th submitted by Joseph Enzensperger for the Oroville Chapter of the Pacific Northwest Trail Association. Superintendent Noel stated that Joseph has already talked with him about their needs; Clerk Denney stated that there are no other events scheduled. Council approved the application with the condition that the group add one additional port-a-potty for the park during the event.

Ordinance #842 amending rates for water service. Motion by Koepke, second by Roley to adopt; motion carried.

Ordinance #843 amending rates for sewer service. Motion by Roley, second by Neal to adopt; motion carried.

Retreat discussion; Clerk Denney to check with Eden Valley to get available dates for June. Retreat to be scheduled during the next meeting.

Prince Lot park name needed. Discussed potential names for the park. Motion by Naillon, second by Koepke that the park be named Prince Heritage Park; motion carried.

Superintendent Noel requested guidance to move forward with the development of the park. Naillon would like to see community input on the park. Noel explained what he had in mind for the layout of parking and sprinklers; discussion on restroom facilities and the fact that it is a temporary lease at this point, which would rule out a permanent facility. Naillon would like to see a 5-year plan developed for the park. Council agreed with Noel's layout and stated that he should move forward. Further discussion on community input.

Engineering services update; request for qualifications was advertised and RFQ's were submitted for different needs the City may have. One RFQ was received for the water rights issue; discussed history with Dan Haller, Aspect Consulting. Interviews were also held for airport consultants; results given by Clerk Denney. Staff would like to recommend that Dan Haller, Aspect Consulting, be selected to continue working on the water rights issue and J-U-B Engineers, Inc. be selected to continue working on the airport project. Motion by Hart, second by Koepke, that J-U-B Engineers, Inc. and Dan Haller, Aspect Consulting, be selected to provide engineering services for the City of Oroville; motion carried.

Mayor Spieth updated the council on a meeting he and Chris Branch attended with the Okanogan County Commissioners to discuss ambulance operations; agreed between the City and the County that we need to move forward to get the issues straightened out.

Spring Clean-Up set for April 22nd and 23rd.

Member nomination request received for the International Osoyoos Lake Board of Control; Mayor Spieth would like to table the request to the next meeting.

Arnie Marchand would like to request that signage be placed designating the Community Development and Building Department Office to avoid confusion with people who are used to it being the visitor information center.

Hart questioned status of the wool processing plant; only information known is that they are moving forward.

Question on status of the Old Border Patrol facility; no official information has been received.

Motion by Neal and second by Koepke the vouchers #18841-18884, \$38,672.00, be paid, manual checks #18724-18783, \$1,476.70, be paid, the March 31, 2015 payroll of \$73,035.90, #18784-18838 be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 8:03 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk