

Regular Council Meeting of November 20, 2018

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Naillon, Marthaller, McElheran, Hart and Fuchs.
Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the November 6th council meeting minutes were read and approved.
Copies of the November 13th budget workshop minutes were read and approved.

Public Hearing – 2019 Property Tax Revenues (Ad Valorem). Ordinance #873, allows for an increase in the regular property tax levy to be collected in 2019; the increase over last year is \$3,049. 2018 levy amount was \$304,936. Motion by Hart and seconded by McElheran that Ordinance #873 be adopted as read; motion carried.

2019 Preliminary Budget \$10,078,200; Budget includes 1) Continuation of the phased project for the runway realignment at the airport; 2) 16th Avenue Street Improvement Project; 3) EDA Grant for the Reman Road Relocation Project; 4) \$.50 per hour wage increase for all employees.

City / East Lake Water Association (ELWA) Department of Healthy Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Loan application. Loan application being prepared by Varela & Associates for the DWSRF for the ELWA consolidations to the City system. Projected budget \$919,000.00. Contingency built in as safety factor to cover the inflation of construction costs. DOH would likely fund this project with \$700,000 grant and \$200,000 loan. Motion by Naillon and seconded by McElheran that application be approved; motion carried.

1st reading of 2018 Budget Amendment Ordinance #874. Amendment increases the Street Fund by \$8,200.00 due to the agreement with the school for TIB Application.

WSLCB Renewal Application for Eva’s Diner & Quick Stop. No objection.

Okanogan County Solid Waste Disposal Fees Increase Notice. No objection.

Supt. Thompson requested that he could clean out old Christmas decorations from storage area. Council supported.

Councilmember McElheran shared update on Shop With A Cop program. Donations are up from last year. 30 kids provided for last year and should be able to provide gifts for more kids this year. McElheran in contact with law enforcement to find additional cops to help.

Steve Johnston shared information regarding free WSDOT program for informational kiosks. Would provide local marketing information for nearby cities. Council supported.

Councilmembers Hart & Marthaller gave update on meeting with County Commissioner’s and Lifeline regarding EMS Levy. Commissioner’s considering running levy again or 3/10 of 1% sales tax county-wide for EMS services.

Motion by McElheran and second by Fuchs the vouchers #24864-24883, \$40,499.81, be paid, the November 15, 2018 payroll of \$40,617.56, #24844-24857, direct deposit run and EFT #201821 be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:18 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk