

Regular Council Meeting of April 16, 2024

Present were: Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Shaw, Werner, Hart and Moser.

Absent: Councilmember Marthaller.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Naillon. Pledge of Allegiance given.

Copies of the April 2nd council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Vision Municipal Solutions Email Conversion update given by Deputy Clerk Finsen; explanation given on services provided and quote received. Initial cost of setup for the first year is \$4,904.65; annual renewal will be \$2,146.21. Further discussion on conversion plan. Motion by Werner, second by Moser that the proposal be approved and Deputy Clerk Finsen move forward with the conversion; motion carried unanimously.

Application for Franchise Utility Agreement with Okanogan County explained by Superintendent Thompson. Franchise Agreement covers areas that have become expired under the previous agreement for sewer and water lines under and along specific County Roads; Application for Franchise Utility Agreement #U01-24 will extend for a period of Twelve Years and will expire June 1, 2036. Motion by Hart, second by Werner that Mayor Naillon be authorized to sign the Application for Franchise Utility Agreement with the Okanogan County Department of Public Works; motion carried unanimously.

Notice of Liquor License Application received from the WSLCB for the Veranda Beach Resort Diner; no comments.

AWC's 2024 Annual Conference will be held June 18-21 in Vancouver and registration will open April 17th. Clerk Denney reported that the City typically budgets for 2 Councilmembers to attend; Councilmember Hart stated that he would like to go and would be willing to pay personally to attend. Councilmembers Moser and Shaw would also like to attend. Clerk Denney to register Shaw, Hart and Moser for the conference.

Department Head Updates

Chief Langford stated that the Police Department has noticed a slight increase in people crimes, but not property crimes.

Chief Langford requested that a Police Committee Meeting be scheduled to discuss how the department can move forward with recruitment of officers to fill the vacant position; discussion on ideas for changes to advertising. Civil Service Secretary, Chief-Examiner Finsen stated that the Civil Service Commission has a Civil Service meeting scheduled for Monday, April 22nd and they will be setting an Oral Board date during that meeting for the 3 applicants through Public Safety Testing. Further discussion on advertising options.

Superintendent Thompson stated that the new sewer camera has been put to use and they are discovering sections of sewer lines that need to be repaired/replaced; discussion on how the repairs/replacements can be made and how they will affect the sewer budget.

Superintendent Thompson requested that the Park Committee Meeting previously discussed be scheduled with Jeff Bunnell to determine the location of the proposed TOI Pickleball Court. Park Committee Meeting to be held Friday, April 19th at 3:30 pm with Mayor Naillon, Park Committee Members Moser and Shaw, Superintendent Thompson and Jeff Bunnell.

Dwayne Turner was present to thank the City, Police Department and Fire Department for their support in helping to fund his continuing education for the Community Chaplain program; Turner explained the training received and again thanked the City, PD and FD for their support. The Mayor and Council thanked Turner for his dedication to the City.

Motion by Werner and second by Moser the vouchers \$177,845.62, #33482-33519, DOR-EFT1, be paid, the April 15, 2024 payroll of \$55,062.84, #33467-33481, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202414-202415, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:27 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk