

Regular Council Meeting of March 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 March 6th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Certificate of Appreciation presented to Ken Cumbo by Mayor Neal for 40 years of service to the City.

Arnie Marchand was present to discuss two separate issues:

- Previously discussed map for display at the Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park has been completed; Marchand to drop off with Superintendent Noel for placement. Marchand stated that a second map was printed and he suggested that it be placed on the North Wall of the building adjacent to Centennial Park.
- Update on the metal scenes being placed on the fencing at Prince Heritage Park. Marchand stated that the school has been approached about additional scenes to be placed; Marchand let them know that they need council approval when more scenes are placed.

Roni Holder-Diefenbach, Executive Director of the Economic Alliance, was present to discuss the Opportunity Zone program through the Department of Commerce. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 created the Opportunity Zone program, which is designed to provide tax incentives to investors who fund businesses in underserved communities. Explanation on zones created and how the program works. Holder-Diefenbach recommends that the City submit an application, as she feels that it will be extremely beneficial to the Oroville Community. Holder-Diefenbach stated that if selected, there is a 10 year commitment by the Department of Commerce. Due to the short time frame, Holder-Diefenbach offered her services to help the City with their application; application deadline is Monday, March 26th. Discussion amongst the Council and Holder-Diefenbach on benefits to the Community. Motion by McElheran, second by Naillon that the City submit an application to the Department of Commerce for the Opportunity Zone Program; motion carried.

Jeff Bunnell presented the cross walk flag stands that were constructed by the school; 8 stands were made. Bunnell stated that his wife is currently working on completing the flags. Bunnell is looking for input from the City on what color they would like the stands painted and direction from Superintendent Noel on placement. Council agreed that a Safety Yellow should be used. Noel to work with Bunnell on getting the stands installed when completed. Council thanked Bunnell for his involvement with the project.

Review of revised City Superintendent Job Description. Motion by Naillon, second by Hart that the revised job description be adopted; motion carried.

Review of proposed Ordinance #866, amending certain salaries and wages in the 2018 budget, which will set the City Superintendent New Appointment wage and add the City Superintendent Consultant Fee amount. Motion by Naillon, second by Hart that Ordinance #866 be approved; motion carried.

Spring Clean-Up confirmation; Committee recommended that 1 appliance and burnable yard waste only be picked up. Further discussion on the original intent of the annual spring clean-up. Council approved.

Review of the proposed Design Engineering Contract with SCJ Alliance for the 16th Avenue TIB Project. Clerk Denney stated that the agreement has been reviewed by TIB and approval was given for the City to execute the agreement. Superintendent Noel wanted to point out a concern that TIB had expressed on the engineering fees being on the high side; consultant had explained the reasoning and TIB thanked him for the cost explanation. Clerk Denney stated that she had attended a TIB workshop earlier in the day and had talked to

Gloria Bennett, TIB Project Engineer, about the concern and Bennett felt that it was alright after the explanation given. Motion by Naillon, second by McElheran that Mayor Neal be authorized to sign the Consultant Agreement with SCJ Alliance; motion carried.

Agreement for Professional Services received from SCJ Alliance for the proposed Oroville School Improvements Project. Superintendent Noel explained that he, Mayor Neal and Dave Allen (SCJ Alliance) had met with Jeff Hardesty to discuss potential funding options for school improvements. Noel explained that the City would act as lead agency until the school completed their RFQ requirements and could enter into an agreement with SCJ Alliance themselves. Noel stated that the objective is to provide predesign services, submittal of grant application to the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for their School Walk Route Improvement Project and submittal of grant application to WSDOT Safe Routes to School. Clerk Denney stated that an Interlocal agreement will be needed between the City and the School; no City funds would be used, project would be financed by School funds and grant money. Motion by McElheran, second by Hart that Mayor Neal be authorized to sign the Consultant Agreement with SCJ Alliance for the School Improvements Project pending approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the School District and the City; motion carried.

Planning Commission recommendation received regarding position appointments; Planning Commission would like to recommend that Sue Edick be appointed to Position #5 and Paul Neir be appointed to the Alternate #1 position. Motion by Hart, second by Naillon that the appointments be made as requested; motion carried.

Police Department Training Request; Chief Hill explained that Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools Training will be provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Maryland. Chief Hill further explained that School Superintendent Jeff Hardesty has put together a team who he would like to attend. All costs, excluding wages, will be reimbursed. Chief Hill is requesting permission to attend. Councilman Fuchs questioned if staffing was available to allow for one member to be gone for the training and if it would create an over-time issue; Chief Hill stated that their schedule will allow for it with no over-time. Clerk Denney asked if the school would be funding the training, or if the City would be responsible for all expenses and reimbursed by the School; Chief Hill to clarify funding. Motion by Fuchs, second by McElheran that the request be approved; motion carried.

Renewal Applications notice received from the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board for the Eagles, Trino's, the Pastime Brewery Bar & Grill and Rancho Grande. No comments.

Clerk Denney reported that Rosa Snider had contacted her about the current concession stand lease at Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park; current lease is for 2017-2019 and Snider requested termination of the agreement.

Chief Hill stated that the Civil Service recently provided him with an eligibility list which consisted of 3 successful applicants; Chief Hill has made a conditional offer of employment to one of the applicants pending successful completion of background, psychological and polygraph.

Notice received from the Okanogan County Department of Public Works about their Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan Update.

Councilman McElheran stated that he has been approached by concerned citizens in regards to school safety and what options are available for a full time resource officer; McElheran is asking if the Council would like him to pursue options. Mayor and Council agreed that it is a concern, unfortunately, the City is not in a financial position to staff an officer at the school full time. Mayor and Council agreed that McElheran could pursue options available to the City and/or School.

Councilman Hart would like to express his objection to the pot shop that has been allowed in Tonasket; requesting that a letter be sent to the City of Tonasket, as well as a letter to the editor. Mayor Neal and remaining Councilmembers agreed. Motion by Hart, second by

Marthaller that a letter expressing the City's objection be sent and published in the Gazette; motion carried. All members to sign the letter to be sent to Tonasket.

Superintendent Noel reported that Park Staff started on Monday, they will be working on getting the water system going on Wednesday and they hope to have the Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park open by the weekend.

Motion by Naillon and second by McElheran the vouchers #23728-23751, \$37,205.39, be paid, the March 15, 2018 payroll of \$39,319.74, #23705-23718, Direct Deposit Run and EFT #201805 be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 8:34 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk