

Regular Council Meeting of April 20, 2021

Pursuant to Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Inslee on March 24, 2020 and further amended, which prohibits in person meetings, this regular meeting was attended only by the Mayor, Councilmembers and staff, as social distancing requirements could be met; call in number was provided to the public.

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

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

Fire Chief Rawley and Police Chief Langford discussed the proposed upgrades to the Oroville Base Radio located in the firehall. Mike Worden, Chief Deputy of Spec Ops/Communications with the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office, contacted Fire Chief Rawley and Chief Langford with concerns the Sheriff's Office has with the Oroville Base Radio; concerns explained by Fire Chief Rawley. The County is proposing to install new equipment worth approximately \$20,000; they are requesting that the City provide \$2,000 towards the cost of the backup power system and allow the County to install the new equipment. Motion by Naillon, second by McElheran that the City contribute the requested \$2,000 and allow the County to install the new equipment; motion carried.

Salley Bull, Oroville Market Association, discussed the upcoming Farmer's Market opening on May 1st, which will include a Cinco de Mayo celebration. Bull explained events to be held and the safety precautions that will be taken. Council thanked Bull for the update.

Okanogan County Prosecutor Melanie Bailey introduced herself to the Mayor and Council and wanted to be sure that they were aware that she is available to answer any questions they may have. Bailey discussed the Blake decision and local jurisdiction concerns regarding drug possession. Chief Langford questioned options for law enforcement and getting drugs off the streets; Bailey stated that they are looking into options. Discussion on the Task Force. Council thanked Bailey for attending the meeting.

Mayor Neal proclaimed April 22, 2021 as Arbor Day; proclamation read by Mayor Neal.

Mayor Neal proclaimed May 2021 as Mental Health Month; proclamation read by Mayor Neal.

Chief Langford explained proposed amendments to the Oroville Municipal Code; Langford wanted the Council to review prior to sending them to Attorney Howe for approval in case there were changes the Council would like to see. Brief discussion on amendments. Council agreed that the amendments should be made. Chief Langford to forward to Attorney Howe for approval prior to ordinance adoption.

Oroville Chamber of Commerce 2021 Park Use Applications submitted for:

- Deep Bay Park / July 4th Fireworks – July 3rd & 4th
- Deep Bay Park / Lake Osoyoos Cup Races – August 19th – 22nd
- City Park / Fall City Wide Yard Sale – September 18th
- Library Front Yard / Christmas Tree Lighting – November 27th
- Deep Bay Park / Polar Plunge – January 1, 2022

Council approved the park use applications.

Chief Langford stated that the National Night Out will be held August 3rd; park use application will be submitted when details are more complete.

May Day Committee submitted a park use application for Veteran's Memorial Park for May 7th at 6 pm and all day May 8th; coronation will be held Friday evening and the lawn ceremonies will be held Saturday after the parade. Council approved the park use application.

Letter received from the Oroville May Festival President, Shelly Roberts, stating that the Oroville Eagles would like to host a street dance on May Day, May 8th from 8 pm to 12 am; they would like to partially block the street at 1317 Golden Street in front of the Eagles during that time period. They will have speakers outside of the building for the dance. There will be food and drinks in the Eagles parking lot, which will be monitored. Mayor Neal expressed concern about noise and effect on the apartments across the street. Discussion on noise control hours; Council agreed that it is a special request and the hours should be extended to the requested timeframe. Council approved the request.

Letter received from the Liquor and Cannabis Board notifying Hi-Oasis Vineyard that their liquor license has been discontinued.

Motion by McElheran and second by Naillon the vouchers \$66,656.25, #28825-28848, DOR-EFT, be paid, the April 15, 2021 payroll of \$44,896.43, #28806-28820, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202114-202115, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:32 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk