

Regular Council Meeting of April 5, 2016

Present were: Councilmembers Koepke, McElheran, Neal, Hart and Roley.

Absent: Mayor Spieth.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Pro-Tempore Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given. Copies of the March 15th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Leroy Orr, representing the Okanogan & Ferry County Chapter of the Washington Pilots Association, was present to update the council on the Northwest Aviation Conference & Trade Show he attended and to express his appreciation of the City's support of funds from the Hotel/Motel Tax to make their attendance at the trade show possible. Orr stated that the trade show had over 12,000 attendees and they handed out individual apples equal to 14 boxes and over 300 packages of sliced apples from their booth; stated that they promote the area to tourism, not just aviation opportunities. Orr stated that they have been attending for 10 years and hope to continue attending. Orr again thanked the Council for their support; Council thanked Orr for the presentation.

Clyde Andrews was present to discuss the Revitalize WA 2016 Conference to be held in Chelan April 25th – 27th; wanted to be sure that the City was aware of the conference and would like to encourage their participation. Andrews also discussed the Main Street Program, which will be discussed at Vicki's Backdoor on April 28th beginning at 5:00 pm. Andrews would like to discuss further during the April 19th meeting.

ALON, LLC Water Service Application; review of draft response letter explaining why the City is unable to approve the application at this time. Motion by McElheran, second by Hart, to approve the response letter to ALON, LLC; motion carried. Clerk Denney to mail the letter to the applicant.

Update given by Clerk Denney on the retreat scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd. The Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park Riverside Retreat house is available for use. Clerk Denney stated that Chris Branch had contacted Kurt Danison regarding facilitating the retreat and Danison quoted \$1,000 to facilitate the retreat. Council discussed quote and it was determined that the City will not pay \$1,000 for a facilitator for the retreat.

Chief Hill and Sergeant Waddell were present to discuss their shift change proposal for the Police Department. Sergeant Waddell had approached Chief Hill with the idea and Chief Hill would like to recommend that the Council approve the shift change. Chief Hill explained that a change to the personnel policy would be needed and stated that he had talked with all of the patrolman and they were all supportive of the change. Sergeant Waddell explained the shift change to Council. Discussion on increase in coverage due to the shift change. Motion by McElheran, second by Koepke, that an amendment to the personnel policy be brought before the Council to allow the shift change; motion carried.

Clerk Denney explained the WSDOT Aviation Grant Application and Resolution for Matching Funds needed for the next phase of the runway relocation project at the airport. Motion by Koepke, second by Hart, that Mayor Pro-Tempore Neal be authorized to sign the grant application and that Resolution #545 guaranteeing grant match funds be approved; motion carried.

Clerk Denney stated that the AWC Conference will be held June 21st – 24th in Everett; Denney would like to know who will be attending so that she will be able to register them when the announcement is made. Neal, Hart and Roley all stated that they will be attending; Koepke and McElheran to let Denney know.

Steve Johnston updated the Council on activities at the airport.

Superintendent Noel would like to discuss the future of the Park Ranger House at OLVMP; Noel stated that improvements are almost complete and would like to know if the Council had decided on which way they would like the house used ~ turning it into a year-round rental or a short-term rental vacation home. Council discussed options. Council determined that it would be best suited as a year-round rental.

Motion by Koepke and second by Roley the vouchers #20533-20576, \$26,030.46, be paid, Deposit Account manual checks #20434, 20483-20488, 990344-990345, Park Account manual checks #990350-990351, \$1,516.92, be paid, the March 31, 2016 payroll of \$79,646.82, #20489-20532, direct deposit run and EFT #201606 be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:32 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk