

## Regular Council Meeting of July 7, 2020

Pursuant to Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Inslee on March 24, 2020 and further amended, which prohibits in person meetings, attendance to this regular meeting is only allowed via speakerphone; call in number was provided to the Mayor, Councilmembers, staff and 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.

Copies of the June 16<sup>th</sup> council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Emergency Declaration Ordinance #893 extending the emergency declaration through August 4, 2020 due to COVID-19 and the fact that Okanogan County continues to remain in Phase 2 reviewed. Motion by Hart, second by Marthaller to approve the ordinance; motion carried.

Varela & Associates Engineering Agreement Amendment #1 for Construction Phase Services explained by Clerk Denney. Motion by Hart, second by McElheran that Mayor Neal be authorized to sign the agreement; motion carried.

Planning Commission letter of resignation received from Sue Edick and Planning Commission request that Paul Neir be appointed to the position. Motion by Moser, second by McElheran that Edick's resignation be accepted and Neir be appointed to the position; motion carried.

Ordinance #894, amending Oroville Municipal Code Chapter 2.20 – Chief Law Enforcement Officer, explained by Clerk Denney; Denney stated that the amendment was reviewed and approved by Attorney Howe. Motion by McElheran, second by Hart to approve the ordinance; motion carried.

Proposed COVID-19 Customer Assistance Program reviewed, which allows for a deferred payment arrangement. Clerk Denney explained that the plan would grant customers payment deferral without any late fees imposed on outstanding balances as well as suspending disconnection of utilities as long as the customer puts forth effort into paying off outstanding balances; Clerk Denney stated that the proposed plan would require the customer to pay a minimum of \$50.00 each month in addition to the regular monthly bill. Motion by Moser, second by Naillon that the Customer Assistance Program plan be approved; motion carried.

Proposed Hand Lease of Concession Stand at Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park reviewed. Motion by McElheran, second by Marthaller to approve the lease as proposed; motion carried.

Clerk Denney stated that Arnie Marchand submitted a request to extend the art on the Prince Heritage Park fence to include the Peerless Hotel and the 1948 Oroville School; both would be about 4'x4' with supports on the base of the fence. Motion by Marthaller, second by Moser to approve the request; motion carried.

Superintendent Thompson stated that he received a quote from SME Solutions for the airport fuel pump system replacement; quote is \$49,966.00. Thompson stated that an additional \$2,400 would be needed each year for support and Comdata. Councilman McElheran stated that he had talked with someone from the National Guard and they were encouraging the City to have Jet-A fuel and pumps that would accept their Government Credit Cards. Thompson stated that to add the Jet-A fuel, an additional tank and pump would need to be installed; discussed that the tank alone would cost over \$100,000. Discussed that additional information is needed.

Councilman Hart stated that the Post Office will be closed outside of their normal business hours due to break-ins that have occurred.

Councilman McElheran questioned the status of hiring a Police Chief; Mayor Neal stated that the position will need to go through Civil Service and the Oral Board Interviews have been scheduled for Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mac McElheran stated that he and Michelle (McElheran) are starting to work on the Shop with a Cop program and they may need to postpone the 2020 event to 2021 due to COVID-19; they will have more information after their meeting with the school.

Superintendent Thompson questioned what the Council wanted him to do with the airport fuel system quote. Further discussion on quote details, funding for the replacement and Jet-A fuel. Councilman Naillon felt that it was an appropriate quote and moved to accept the quote submitted by SME Solutions, second by Marthaller; motion carried.

Karen Frisbie questioned the status of the Central Avenue project; project is moving forward.

Motion by McElheran and second by Marthaller the vouchers \$46,272.99, #27566-27602, void check #27586, be paid, manual checks \$2,064.31, Park Account EFT #990457-990458, Checking Account EFT #990438, Checking Account #27464, 27511-27519, be paid, the June 30, 2020 payroll of \$70,116.19, #27520-27565, direct deposit run, EFT #202029-202031, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:26 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

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Clerk