

Regular Council Meeting of September 17, 2019

Present were: Councilmembers Naillon, Marthaller, McElheran, Hart and Fuchs.

Absent: Mayor Neal.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Pro-Tem McElheran. Pledge of Allegiance given. Copies of the September 3<sup>rd</sup> council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Mayor Pro-Tem McElheran asked if there was any new business. Joseph Enzensperger asked to speak; Enzensperger indicated that the Oroville Grange was showing a film about dams entitled "Return of the River." The next showing will be on September 26, 2019 in Nespalem. Enzensperger was hoping some of the City Council could go and watch the film. Enzensperger also said that sediment studies were going to be done this fall on the Similkameen River. Enzensperger stressed that returning to a natural watershed for the river is best. Enzensperger also indicated that the PUD was going to be spending 6 million dollars to inspect the Enloe Dam in the future and that this was being done with taxpayer money.

Review of Ordinance #879, amending the salaries for Mayor & Council. Motion by Hart to approve the Mayor & Council Salary Amendment Ordinance as written, second by Naillon; motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem McElheran wanted to discuss whether the City would like to continue next year with the hanging baskets. Councilman Hart recommends that the City continue paying for the baskets because it makes the City look so much nicer. Superintendent Thompson pointed out that the upkeep and maintenance is being done by the City. Councilman Hart suggested that the City could bring in some volunteers or high school students to help keep baskets fertilized and watered; another possibility suggested was that the upkeep of baskets could be done as community service hours for members of the community who have service hours to do. Councilman Naillon supports the beautification effort made by the City to keep the community looking as lovely as it does. Mayor Pro-Tem McElheran stated that it is imperative that the City continue to have the baskets. Motion by Naillon to approve the ordering and the paying for hanging baskets for 2020, second by Hart; motion carried.

1<sup>st</sup> reading of proposed Ordinance #880, amending the 2019 Budget; amendment includes \$40,500 addition to the Street fund from TIB for the 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project and \$40,000 addition to the Water fund from the DOH for the ELWA Consolidation Project. Ordinance #880 will be on the agenda for the October 1<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting for approval consideration.

Mayor Pro-Tem McElheran asked if there were any objections to the renewal application notices received from the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board for the Fraternal Order of Eagles and Hi-Oasis Vineyards, none were noted.

Change Order #1 for the 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project received. Superintendent Thompson explained that the crew had issues with clay coming up and fiber optics / telephone line locates, which have brought the budget numbers up; Thompson stated that it will add an additional 12 days labor and that number may go up. Councilman Naillon asked about the quality of the work and Thompson stated that they're getting better, there have been some mistakes that have been corrected, but things were moving along. Councilman Naillon indicated that we can't, as City Councilmembers, be arbitrary about this project and voiced his concerns regarding future work orders. Councilman Naillon said he was inclined to approve Change Order #1 but if there were others down the road, he would want a close examination of the billing and overages. Motion by Naillon to approve Change Order #1 as written, second by Hart; motion carried.

Mayor Pro-Tem McElheran wanted to update the Council and community that he is not being deployed this year and he is working with the Principal at the Tonasket High School for the Shop with a Cop Program. McElheran and his wife Michelle met with the Principal to discuss how he can help with screening the children and providing transportation; McElheran was excited to be working on this program again this year.

Karen Frisbie wanted to let the Council know that from 6-8 on September 19<sup>th</sup>, the Pacific Northwest Trail Association would be meeting to discuss midway marking and the trail head. Joseph Enzensperger interjected that they would also be discussing the making of trail signs or a kiosk with the PNWT Association. Frisbie said she would like Council representation for this meeting if that was possible.

Karen Frisbie reminded the Council of the City-wide yard sale happening on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>; Frisbie indicated that she initially had lots of booths scheduled for the park, but Omak is also having a City-wide sale and she had some booths pull out.

Karen Frisbie wanted to let the community know that, along with Chamber partnership, a married couple (April/Zach) will be coming to the area and sponsoring a 50-mile run and will be looking to make this an annual event in Oroville. Event would be happening on September 28<sup>th</sup> and if anyone has any questions, Frisbie requested that they call her at the Oroville Chamber.

Election results were accepted as written. Councilman Hart had pointed out during the September 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting that the votes cast were listed incorrectly. Clerk Denney had requested a corrected copy. Total votes cast: 332 / those in favor: 256 / those against: 76 / 77.11% yes votes received.

Motion by Naillon and second by Fuchs the vouchers \$164,731.95, #26315-26350 and EFT , be paid, the September 15, 2019 payroll of \$38,747.50, #26295-26314, Direct Deposit Run and EFT #201952-201954, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:27 pm. Motion carried.

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

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Mayor

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Clerk