

Regular Council meeting of August 2, 2011.

Present were: Mayor Spieth, Council members Koepke, Neal and Hart. Absent: Naillon (medical leave) and Roley.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Spieth. Pledge of Allegiance given. Copies of the July 19th meeting minutes were read and approved.

Public Hearing to consider extending the interim critical areas ordinance. Mayor Spieth called the hearing to order. Chris Branch updated Council on the progress of completing the draft Critical Areas ordinance, which needs to be completed before the Shoreline Master Program can be finalized. Branch indicated on a map all the wetlands that were included with the annexed properties north of the Cherry Street Bridge on the west side of the County Road and discussed buffers, etc. and that the wetlands have been most difficult to address. Motion by Koepke and seconded by Hart Ord. 804, extending an adopted interim official critical areas ordinance until December 30, 2011, or until it is repealed, whichever occurs first. Motion carried.

Clerk reported that Atty. Howe's comments regarding concessionaires at City Parks (namely Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park) would probably be a good idea and that the additional liability with these types of ventures could be minimized with the right agreement that requires an indemnity/holdharmless agreement with an insurance requirement to fund the indemnity requirements. Also, the concessionaire would be operating as an independent contractor and thus the city would not be liable for the contractor's negligence. Branch to check with other communities that have "recreational concessionaires" to learn options in selecting concessionaires and what type of agreements they have in place. Further information to be obtained.

Chief Warnstaff and Chris Branch working on drafting an ordinance establishing the city's jurisdiction on the Okanogan River waterways from 100' north of the mouth of the river to the west side of the Cherry Street Bridge and creating the area a "no wake zone" area. Enforcement would need to include the wearing of life jackets.

Review of Okanogan County Department of Public Works' Interlocal Agreement for Solid Waste Disposal. Motion by Neal and seconded by Hart the Mayor be authorized to sign the 5 year renewal, which is anticipated to not have a rate increase for the next 5 years. Motion carried.

Council considered the Consent and Approval to extend the current Charter Communications franchise on a month-to-month basis new franchise terms are set. Motion by Koepke and seconded by Neal the Mayor be authorized to sign the Consent and Approval. Clerk Jones distributed the proposed Draft Franchise renewal agreement for council to start reviewing.

Branch discussed the city's water and the "you get water, you get sewer" policies; how the county has allowed domestic exempt wells and has applied them to subdivisions; it has now been determined that's no longer allowable and we will be waiting to see what happens.

Motion by Neal and seconded by Koepke the vouchers #75,778.41, #11787-11825 be paid, the July 31st payroll of \$70,876.31, #11722-11786 be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk