

Regular Council Meeting of March 5, 2024

Present were: Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Shaw, Marthaller, Werner, Hart and Moser.
Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Naillon. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the February 20th council meeting minutes were read and approved.
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Shelly Roberts, representing the Chamber of Commerce, was present with Park Use Application requests and Fund Raising Thermometer Placement request. The first application was for the Osoyoos Lake Veteran's Memorial Park for the Oroville May Day Festival Parade Events to be held May 11th; activities at the park explained by Roberts. Motion by Werner, second by Moser to approve the park use application and waive the fees, as this is a community event; motion carried unanimously. The second application was for the Prince Heritage Park for the Circus to be held June 10th. Motion by Hart, second by Moser to approve the park use application and waive the fees, as this is a community event; motion carried unanimously. The third application was for the Deep Bay Park for the 4th of July Fireworks. Motion by Moser, second by Shaw to approve the park use application and waive the fees, as this is a community event; motion carried unanimously. Roberts stated that the Chamber would like to install a fund raising thermometer for tracking donations made to the Fireworks Display and wondered where the City would recommend that it be placed; discussion on various locations. Superintendent Thompson stated that the front lawn of the library next to the sidewalk would be the most visible location. Motion by Werner, second by Moser that the placement of a Fund Raising Thermometer be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Arnie Marchand, representing the Columbia River HOG group, was present to discuss the Run to the Border event scheduled for Saturday, May 18th. Marchand stated that a 12'x12' tent will be located in front of Expressions on Main Street and the owner has given permission for motorcycles to be parked in the area behind her building. Marchand would like to request that parking be reserved for motorcycles on both sides of Main Street from Appleway to 14th. Marchand requested a police and firetruck escort upon arrival of the group into town. Marchand has been in contact with the Eagles, Brickhouse, etc. to notify them of the event so that they can be prepared for the group coming into Oroville. The Council approved the request.

Kally Berlinger, President of the Oroville Senior Center, was present to discuss the need for maintenance at the parking lot across the road from the Senior Center; the Senior Center appreciates the use of the lot, however, if the City is unable to maintain the lot, the Senior Center needs the City's permission to maintain it. Mayor Naillon stated that he looked at the lot and it looks like shoulder work is needed; Superintendent Thompson said that his crew will take care of it. Berlinger would also like to discuss the concrete from the sidewalk up to the ramp. Mayor Naillon stated that it was constructed to ADA requirements during the 16th Avenue project and cannot be changed. Discussed that if the Senior Center wanted to do work on their property, they would need a permit from the Building Department and any work done would need to meet code.

Discussion on the Okanogan Conservation District Local Drought Planning and Preparedness grant information from the previous meeting; discussed importance of the City's participation. Councilmembers Moser and Werner stated that they could be available to attend meetings, covering for each other, so that there was one representative from Oroville; Superintendent Thompson stated that he could also be available. Motion by Moser, second by Marthaller that the City of Oroville participate in the Okanogan Conservation District Local Drought Planning effort; motion carried unanimously.

.09 Infrastructure Funding Interlocal Agreement received from Okanogan County; Mayor Naillon reminded the Council that the City was awarded up to \$100,000 of the County's .09 Infrastructure Funds for the City's North End Water Main Replacement Project – Phase 1 Design/Planning. Superintendent Thompson explained the scope of work for the planning project. Discussed that the agreement was provided to get preliminary approval from the City; the County will sign the agreement first and then send it to the City for completion.

Mayor Naillon stated that an Airport Committee Meeting (Hart / Marthaller) is needed to discuss the Veranda Beach HOA Industrial Park Lease Agreement with representative Rhonda Hinkley; Clerk Denney to schedule the meeting.

Department Head Updates

Superintendent Thompson has been in contact with Tim Pecha about surveying City Property to determine path placement near the Dollar General Store to 18th, along the West edge of the City's property; path placement fits with the mitigation requirements for Dollar General. Discussed that the walking trail will also be included in the park plan updates and will provide a walking trail from Henry Kniss Park to Main Street. Thompson stated that the quote received for the survey is \$1,500. Motion by Marthaller, second by Hart that the survey be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Thompson stated that the Ironwood Street Project is out to bid and the bid opening will be March 21st.

Superintendent Thompson requested approval to look into installing a system to deal with the tank water usage. Discussed current tank water usage and options available for improving the system. Thompson suggested that the City consider a separate rate for tank water. Discussed the need to look at the usage to determine feasibility, as rough estimates are around \$30,000. The Council approved Thompson's request to look into changing the system.

Councilman Marthaller questioned the status of the City getting their own domain and changing emails over; Clerk Denney stated that Deputy Clerk Finsen is still gathering information and should have a proposal to Council in the near future.

Motion by Werner and second by Marthaller the vouchers \$123,733.43, #33300-33329, be paid, manual checks \$2,697.00, Park Account EFT #990547, Checking Account EFT #990488, Checking Account #33230-33232, be paid, the February 29, 2024 payroll of \$83,241.38, #33258-33299, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202407-202408, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:45 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk