Regular Council Meeting of September 5, 2023

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 August 15th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Jeff Bunnell stated that TOI is working on the grant for installing a pickleball court at the City Park. Jeff formally requested that the pickleball court be approved to be located at the City Park and allowed to proceed further in securing the grant. Motion by Mike, seconded by Walt to allow the TOI to proceed with the grant in installing the pickleball court at the City Park with the request of a detailed plot plan allowing room to expand in the future; motion carried unanimously.

Jeff Bunnell proposed donating a stage to the City; Police Chief Langford stated it could be stored at the Police Department if accepted. Motion by Richard, seconded by Tasha to accept the donation, motion carried unanimously.

Denise Dhane was present to update the Council on planning for the Oroville Fire Department Appreciation Event. Dhane stated that it will be held at the Oroville Grange Hall. The basement will hold the main banquet steak dinner for the firemen starting at 5:00pm on Friday, September 22nd with a dessert social starting at 7:00pm on the main floor for the public to come and interact at the family friendly event. Dhane requested that any councilmembers that can attend please do and possibly assist in volunteering to serve food along with the many other volunteers.

Richard informed the Council about the WSDOT State Route 97 Project and his discussion with one of the communications consultants. Richard proposed to council submitting a formal letter to request that double yellow lines be in place starting from the south end of City Limits on Hwy 97 all the way to the 97 bridge with the of enforcement of a lower speed limit continuously to the 97 bridge from City Limits be added to the project. Motion by Walt, seconded by Richard, motion carried unanimously.

Building Inspector Forbus updated the Council about his findings on further building safety enforcement. Kolo stated that the Finance Committee recommends that if a building is to be red tagged that the City will demolish the building with costs up to \$50,000 that will be applied in a tax lien to that property. Tasha stated that the Health Committee agrees with the recommendation of the Finance Committee's position on the demolition action. Motion by Walt, seconded by Richard to except the recommendation of both the Finance and Health Committees, motion carried unanimously.

Next item of business was the WSLCB Renewal Application Notice for Hometown Pizza and American Legion. There was no comment.

Kurt Danison shared that the Local Park Maintenance Grant is to assist in covering deferred maintenance costs up to \$100,000.00. The application is due September 18th, 2023. Kurt shared that the grant could be used at the Veterans Memorial Park in updating the main public restrooms that are in desperate need of remodeling and proposed for a resolution be submitted with the grant application. Motion by Richard, seconded by Tasha to adopt Resolution NO. 589 to be submitted with the Local Park Maintenance Grant, motion carried unanimously.

Next order of business was to discuss the NCWNTF Participation Agreement Proposal; Chief Langford stated that the program has been beneficial in completing several operational takedowns. Their funding is mainly used as bargaining tactics during operations and highly recommends staying with the task force. JoAnn stated that the discussion of how to fund the force will be tabled to budget workshop. Motion by Kolo, seconded by Mike to accept the participation agreement, motion carried unanimously.

Department Head Updates

Clerk Denney reminded the Council that the first budget workshop will be held on September 26th at 6:30pm.

Superintendent Thompson stated that one of the sewer pumps was down but is currently being fixed along with a small water break.

Chief Langford requested a Police Committee meeting be set. Deputy Clerk Finsen set the meeting for Tuesday, September 12th at 3:20pm.

Pati Burns from the Oroville Grange shared that there will be a taco dinner and dance on September 9th with dinner starting at 6:00pm and the dance to follow starting at 7:00pm.

Motion by Richard and second by Kolo the vouchers \$81,285.79, #32526-32546, be paid, manual checks \$1,726.93, Park Account EFT #990538-990539, Checking Account EFT #990481-990482, Checking Account #32400-32401, 32476-32480, be paid, the August 31, 2023 payroll of \$90,890.91, #32481-32524, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202333-202334, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk