

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL  
June 12, 2018

**STUDY SESSION:**

A study session was held prior to the regular meeting to discuss the new Washington Voter's Rights Act legislation adopted in 2018. Council agreed that the new legislation is difficult to assess and to wait for an outcome on litigation in California that relates to a similar law.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Liebrecht in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 401 S. Balsam, Moses Lake, Washington.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Liebrecht, Deputy Mayor Curnel, Council Members Jackson, Leonard, Riggs, and Hankins. Absent: Council Member Myers.

Action taken: Council Member Leonard moved to excuse Council Member Myers, second by Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 6 – 0.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Deputy Mayor Curnel led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**SUMMARY REPORT:**

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

#1 A Lifetime Achievement Proclamation was presented to Dennis Clay.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

New City Employees

Finance Director Cindy Jensen shared information about Utility Clerk Brittany Syper who was unable to attend the meeting. Fred Snoderly introduced Janitor Debra Blades and also shared information about her to the Council.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- #2
- a. City Council meeting minutes dated May 22, 2018.
  - b. Claims in the amount of \$760,091.36; prepaid claim checks in the amount of \$41,863.00, \$56,292.41 and \$1,102.28; claim checks in the amount of \$1,913,364.28; and payroll checks in the amount of \$371,524.58 and \$398,243.72.
  - c. Bid Award on HVAC Units to Basin Refrigeration
  - d. Approve Morgan Easements on Leah MP Resolution 3724
  - e. Accept Sun Terrace Improvements Resolution 3727
  - f. Authorize Moses Lake School District Joint Facility Use Agreement

Action taken: Council Member Leonard moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by

Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 6 – 0.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **#3 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Resolution 3725**

The City is required to annually adopt a Six-Year TIP. The TIP is then submitted to Regional, State, and Federal planning organizations to form lists of transportation needs. Mayor Liebrecht opened the hearing at 7:20 p.m., no comments were received and the hearing was closed. 17 projects were presented in the 2019-2024 TIP and Council concurred to remove item 15, a project for a new bridge connecting Yonezawa to Paxson.

Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to adopt Resolution 3725 without project number 15, second by Council Member Hankins. The motion carried 6 – 0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **#4 Cryptocurrency Operations to Repeal Ordinance 2899 and Replace with Ordinance 2900**

Mayor Liebrecht requested the moratorium ordinance be presented to Council in accordance with the Moses Lake Governance Manual. The proposed Ordinance is a result of the rapidly evolving cryptocurrency industry and the lack of proper framework to permit these types of land uses. The proposed moratorium provides time to study the impacts of cryptocurrency on: the electrical power distribution system; land use development patterns and distribution; as well as State and Local licensing regulations. The date of the Public Hearing will remain on the same date, July 10, 2018. Eight citizens provided comments to Council.

Action taken: Council Member Hankins moved to adopt Ordinance 2900 as presented, second by Council Member Jackson. The motion carried 4 – 2, Council Member Leonard and Deputy Mayor Curnel were opposed.

### **#5 Parking Regulations MLMC 10.12 Ordinance 2901**

First presentation of the draft ordinance occurred on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The proposed parking restriction near the intersection of Plum and Juniper is a remedy caused from recent revisions on Coolidge and Plum.

Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to adopt Ordinance 2901 as written, second by Council Member Leonard. The motion carried 6 – 0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **#6 Badillo Plat Deemed Insufficient**

A permit has been received for the property at 8692 Charles Road. The property fronts on an undeveloped street, which is deficient with current street improvements in accordance with MLMC 16.020.110, Platting Deemed Insufficient.

Action taken: Council Member Leonard moved to approve deferral of improvements and require a covenant for future installation, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 6 – 0.

- #7 Repeal Board of Library Trustees, Consolidate Boards & Commissions to MLMC 2.36  
The amendment will eliminate the Board of Library Trustees and consolidate all Board and Commission regulations to one section of the code. 1<sup>st</sup> presentation of the ordinance. No action taken.
- #8 Elected Officials Amendment of MLMC 2.92  
The amendment will update Boards and Commissions the Council is prohibited from being an appointed member. 1<sup>st</sup> presentation of the ordinance. No action taken.
- #9 Water Conservation MLMC 13.07  
The draft ordinance designates July and August as mandatory months of water conservation and amends the definition of restrictions and rationing. 1<sup>st</sup> presentation of the ordinance. No action taken.

### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Parks Director Spencer Grigg announced a grant award from the Paul Lauzier Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$110k for new score boards to all five fields and automate lighting programming at Lauzier Sports Complex.

Police Chief Kevin Fuhr announced a grant award in the amount of \$10k from State Farm to add to the \$10k they also awarded to them in 2017, this will complete funding needed to purchase the DUI mock simulator. He also received a grant from the Lauzier Foundation in the amount of \$20.5k to go toward a second K-9 unit; the cost for this will be supplanted with funds raised later this week from the Kiwanis/Rotary charity golf tournament

Community Development Director/Deputy City Manager Gil Alvarado provided a summary of his activities while attending the RECon Tradeshow Convention last month. He is also coordinating a joint meeting on the topic of Cryptocurrency with the PUD and local jurisdictions.

City Manager John Williams advised that a planning committee is being formed in relation to the Joint Municipal Utility Services Act (JMUSA).

### COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS – no action taken.

Mayor Liebrecht relayed Council Member Myer's opposition for the Cryptocurrency Moratorium and on the Water Conservation draft ordinance.

### ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

  
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Karen Liebrecht, Mayor

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Debbie Burke, City Clerk