

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL

July 25, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Deputy Mayor Martinez in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center with audio remote access. Special notice for remote attendance and citizen comment were posted on the meeting agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Deputy Mayor Martinez; Council Members Fancher, Madewell, Swartz, and Skaug.
Absent: Mayor Myers and Council Member Eck.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to excuse Mayor Myers and Council Member Eck, second by Council Member Madewell. The motion carried 5 – 0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Community member Elicia Dalluge led the Flag Salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to approve the Agenda as presented, second by Council Member Fancher. The motion carried 5 – 0.

CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION

City Insurance Requirement - Victor Lombardi, Moses Lake, inquired about changes to the minimum insurance requirement required by the City for various events and activities.

Marina Drive Issues - Connie Barnes, Moses Lake, requested enforcement of speeding, squatters, and littering still occurring at and around Marina Park.

Water Usage and Billing Data - Andrew Koeppen, Moses Lake, shared his analysis of water billing on the top water users based on records he has collected from the utility billing division of the finance department.

Water Solution Expense - Jeremy Nolan, Moses Lake, asked where the \$4 million would come from to cover expense for water solutions discussed at the last Council meeting. Council and staff responded that they are working on reallocating funding from the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Miscellaneous - Elisia Dalluge, Moses Lake, commented on homeless clean up, Council stipend increase, water infrastructure legislative resources, and opioid settlement dollars designated to City and County.

SUMMARY REPORTS

DEPUTY MAYOR'S REPORT

Primary Election

Ballots are due by August 1, either dropped at the Post Office or in an Elections Office collection box, one being located behind the Civic Center Annex.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Council concurred to have staff research solutions for cleanup of garbage and graffiti on private property, as well as requesting business to get locks from Lakeside Disposal for dumpsters.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Employee New Hire

Fire Chief Brett Bastian introduced Jeff Vander Giessen, the new Fire Marshal.

Phillips 66 Equipment Donation Resolution 3945

Phillips 66 Corporation donated \$50,000 to the Fire Department to purchase high pressure Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for responses to hazardous material incidents.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to adopt Resolution 3945, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Police Building Design

Interim City Manager Kevin Fuhr shared a conceptual photo of the new Police Station.

1st Quarter Finance Report

Finance Director Madeline Prentice provided an analysis of revenues and expenditures from 2019 to 2023 year to date through March. Citywide expenses ended the first quarter under budget by 6.3% due to underspending in most funds and incomplete capital projects.

CONSENT AGENDA

- #1
 - a. City Council meeting minutes dated July 11, 2023
 - b. Electronic Transfer: N/A
Checks: 161380 - 161577 - \$1,627,439.44
Payroll Checks: #65395 - 65477 - \$54,540.90
Electronic Payments: Direct Deposit - \$630,730.97
 - c. Accept Crouse St Easement Resolution 3946
 - d. Wheeler Road Sinkhole Emergency Repair Resolution 3947
 - e. Police Lateral Sponsorship Bonus
 - f. Grant County Co-Responder Behavioral Health Program Interlocal Agreement
 - g. Well 34 Pilot Test Amendment #1

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 5 – 0.

OLD BUSINESS

- #2 Development Code Update Public Participation Plan (PPP)
The Planning Commission reviewed the PPP during their meeting on July 13, 2023. They are requesting to keep the PPP a living document that can be amended as new suggestions for outreach are proposed. Council asked to have materials provided in Spanish, to have interpreters at public events, and suggested interviewing developers. A

final draft will be presented for formal adoption within the next couple of months.

A report depicting status of each section of the new Code was also in the meeting packet. Council requested leniency on using draft regulations during the update of the Code.

NEW BUSINESS

#3 Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docketing

Council received ten proposals for consideration to move forward through the public review process and final adoption of an updated Comp Plan. Council is authorized to docket only proposals that are deemed ready for review during the annual docketing process. Community Development Director Kirsten Peterson broke the presentation and motions into the following topics: Urban Growth Area (UGA) additions Proposals 1-3, land use designations Proposals 4-5, Transportation Element text changes Proposal 6, text and map updates in Appendix A Proposals 7-8, Capital Facilities Plan Appendix C and removal of Transformational Campus concept Proposals 9-10. Proposals requesting an increase in the UGA would need a comparable reduction from the existing UGA. Council would like to have a joint meeting with the County Commissioners during the update process. They would also like to see a study on bike path usage and options to change downtown parking plans prior to next year's docketing process.

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to add Proposals 23-01, 23-02, and 23-03 to the docket, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to add Proposals 23-04 and 23-05 to the docket, second by Council Member Fancher. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to add Proposal 23-06 to the docket, second by Deputy Mayor Martinez. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to add Proposals 23-07 and 23-08 to the docket, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 5 – 0.

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to add Proposals 23-09 and 23-10 to the docket, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 5 – 0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Police National Night Out Event

Interim Police Chief David Sands announced the National Night Out (NNO) event will be held on August 1 at McCosh Park from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Fire Chief Recognition

Interim City Manager Kevin Fuhr read a letter from a local citizen to commend Fire Chief Brett Bastian in taking command of rollover incident on I-90 this morning.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Council Member Swartz was unable to attend the Yonezawa Sister City Exchange meeting on

Saturday but reported they are making forward progress designing a memorial for Yonezawa Park using funding from a recent donation they received.

Council Member Madewell disclosed from the Grant County Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting that there were a few landfill fires caused by lithium batteries and that no funding has been allocated for Phase 4 landfill construction. Proper disposal of lithium batters can be found online: www.cityofml.com, select Department, Utilities, Garbage, Safe Battery Disposal, Flyer.

Council Member Fancher received a presentation from the Potato Commission during the Grant County Economic Development Committee meeting.

Deputy Mayor Martinez conveyed that the blue green algae tracking information can be found on the Grant County Health District website www.granthealth.org and search 'blue green algae'. The Grant County Homeless Housing Committee meeting took place at the Port of Moses Lake 'fishbowl' and learned that we have more resources for homeless then for those that are almost homeless.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Deputy Mayor Martinez called an Executive Session from 9:05 p.m. to 9:35 p.m. to consider the price at which real estate will be offered for sale, to discuss qualifications of applicants for public employment, and potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) subsections (c), (g), and (i) with no action to follow.

CITY MANAGER SEARCH

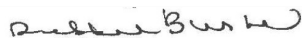
Deputy Mayor Martinez, Council Members Madewell and Swartz requested to participate in the initial interviews with selected candidates. The top several candidates then will be invited for in person panel interviews and a public meet and greet.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.




Don Myers, Mayor



ATTEST _____
Debbie Burke, City Clerk

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