

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
March 14, 2023

EXECUTIVE SESSION 1 of 2

Mayor Myers called an Executive Session at 6 p.m. for 30 minutes to discuss Real Estate Acquisition pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) subsections (b).

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Mayor Myers 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: Mayor Myers; Deputy Mayor Martinez; Council Members Eck, Fancher, Madewell, Swartz, and Skaug.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Scorpion Cheer Team Member Karissa led the Flag Salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Action taken: Council Member Eck moved to postpone Old Business item (3) Municipal Airport Lease Rate for 60 days to allow the Airport Commission time to review provided data, second by Council Member Skaug. The motion failed 3 – 4.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to approve the Agenda as presented, second by Deputy Mayor Martinez. The motion carried without contest.

PRESENTATION

Municipal Airport Commission Quarterly Report

Municipal Airport Commission Chair Rod Richeson stated that they are working on a turf runway, perimeter fencing, decorative fencing, fuel station installation, and painting runway and taxiway projects. He said that they have been unable to move forward due to communication with staff on challenges with regulated processes associated with government spending, as well as lack of funding.

SUMMARY REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Moses Lake Special Olympics Cheer Team Recognition

The Scorpion Cheer Team placed first at the state competition held in Wenatchee earlier this month. The KHQ news video was viewed, the team was recognized, and received a t-shirt with City of Moses Lake logo.

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Board Member Recognition

Board Member Greg Navarez (not in attendance) recently resigned and was recognized for his service from June 2018 through February 2023. Applications are being accepted and will be under review for recommended appointments at the next meeting.

CITIZEN’S COMMUNICATION

Larson Recreation Center Kitchen

Sarah Farve, Moses Lake, expressed concern that the completed kitchen is lacking a food prep sink and only permitted to serve prepackaged food. Staff advised that it was designed for a concession stand and will bring back costs for Council to review on improved use of space for a food prep area or a commercial kitchen.

Variety of Topics

Elisia Dalluge, Moses Lake Name, Moses Lake, commended the Council for their work on city business, approving Fire Department grant, upcoming changes from EPA, wished Council safe travels to Olympia, and shared part of personal matter that she has reported to Police.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

US EPA Superfund Site Staff Introduction

Management Division Piper Peterson and her team were present to review work they are doing in Moses Lake at the contamination site located at the former Larson Airforce Base.

Samaritan Hospital District Ballot Measure Resolution 3934

The proposed Grant County Public Hospital District No. 1 “Proposition No.1 – Bonds for Public Hospital” will authorize the District to issue general obligation bonds on property taxes for \$130,000,000 to cover constructing a new public hospital and related health care facilities. Mayor Myers offered public comment and there was none. Samaritan leadership provided a presentation on needs for a new facility. Council asked several questions related to the current services and options to remodel existing facility.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to adopt Resolution 3934 as presented, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 7 – 0.

2022 Year-End Finance Report

Finance Director Madeline Prentice presented a summary of citywide revenues exceeded projections by 9.3% and were under on expenses by nearly 10%. All funds ended the year with positive fund balances and overall, we added an additional \$1.2M to reserves to end the year with a fund balance of just under \$52.0M.

CONSENT AGENDA

- #1
 - a. City Council meeting minutes dated February 28, 2023
 - b. Electronic Transfer: N/A
Checks: 159795 - 159988 - \$544,888.04
Payroll Checks: #64998-65011 - \$7,658.47
Electronic Payments: Direct Deposit - \$558,658.77
 - c. Keller Associates Wastewater Pump Design Amendment 3

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Council Member Fancher. The motion carried 7 – 0.

OLD BUSINESS

#2 DOH Associates Police Station Owner’s Representative

Staff recommends oversight of the project from design through warranty of the new Police Station. DOH representatives were present to explain their role as an Owner’s Rep for this project. Council requested staff bring back costs to fill a staff position for the oversight, as well as costs if the services were a provision in the architectural/engineering contract.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to approve DOH contract as presented, second by Mayor Myers. The motion failed 5 – 2.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to approve DOH contract for the construction phase of the Police Station project, second by Mayor Myers. The motion was withdrawn.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to postpone the vote to March 28, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 7 – 0.

Mayor Myers called a 5-minute recess at 9:05 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 2 of 2

Mayor Myers called an Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. for 15 minutes to discuss Potential Litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1) subsections (i). The meeting reconvened at 9:25 p.m.

#3 Municipal Airport Lease Rates

Staff researched comparable rates per Council direction. Comparable facilities were reviewed with the Airport Commission and two were removed. Staff recommended a market rate of \$0.21 to be effective January 1, 2024, and to increase annually by the September to September West Coast-B/C All Urban Consumer Price Index. Several options for establishing the market rate and for calculating a lease rate were discussed, as well as an incremental increase. State law for Cities operating airports was referenced.

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to continue discussion on April 11, second by Deputy Mayor Martinez. The motion carried 7 – 0.

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to extend the meeting at 10 p.m. for 15 minutes, second by Council Member Eck. The motion carried 7 – 0.

#4 Sleep Center Location Negotiation

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to move the subject to March 28, second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 7 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

#5 Fehr and Peers Contract for Travel Demand Model Development

Staff solicited requests for qualifications for development of a Travel Demand Model for the City and surrounding area. This model will allow staff and Council to see impacts of

proposed growth and development in order to better identify needed improvements to the roadway network to mitigate growth.

Action taken: Council Member Eck moved to approve the traffic modeling contract as presented, second by Deputy Mayor Martinez. The motion carried 7 – 0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Police Citizen Academy

Moses Lake PD and other area agencies will be hosting the annual Citizens' Academy beginning April 4. This is an opportunity for residents of Grant County to learn about law enforcement duties and activities. Police Chief Kevin Fuhr distributed a flyer to Council and asked them to share with residents in effort to fill the 30 available seats.

Council Facility Tours

City Manager Allison Williams has rescheduled tours at public works and wastewater division facilities to be next Wednesday and Friday.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Council Member Eck shared that the Port of Moses Lake will be storing the 737 airplanes for three to four more years, Minot B-52 has an exercise planned there in April, and they are hosting a military exercise in August.

Deputy Mayor Martinez announced that the next Watershed Council meeting will be held at Vanguard Academy to visit the school projects focused on water conservation. The Finance Committee has been reviewing several proposed budget amendments that will be presented to full Council at the next meeting, such as the summer concert events.

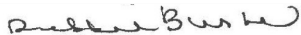
Mayor Myers advised that the April 16 meeting for Grant Transit Authority is their annual retreat to be held at the Larson Recreation Center beginning at 10 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.



Don Myers, Mayor


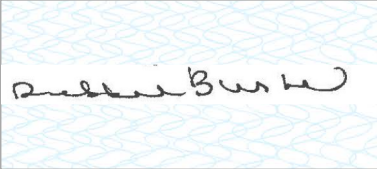


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Debbie Burke, City Clerk

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