MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL May 14, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 7 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, Myers, Leonard, Riggs, and Hankins.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Jackson led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SUMMARY REPORTS:

MAYOR'S REPORT

Confirmation of Mayor's Appointment to the Grant County EDC has been postponed.

Finance Director Cindy Jensen commented on the State Auditor's Office 2017 Audit Report stating that a few issues were due to timing, and staff addressed the bank statement reconciliation finding by hiring a temporary bookkeeper in 2018. The processes continue to improve.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

New City Employees

Parks and Recreation Director Spencer Grigg introduced Parks Maintenance Worker Lee Willis. Building Official Kevin Myre introduced Planning Manager RJ Lott.

Fire Oaths of Office

Fire Chief Brett Bastian delivered Oaths of Office to Firefighters Gordon Guenther and Farmer Roseburg who have completed their probation period.

2019 Well City Award

Human Resources Director Carlos Salazar and Wellness Committee Members Tasiya Deering and Sandra Estudillo presented Mayor Liebrecht with a plaque received from AWC for the City's wellness programs conducted in 2018. The city receives a discount on the health insurance premiums by participating in this program.

Airport Clean Up Presentation

Police Chief Kevin Fuhr has received a request from the EPA Project Manager to provide a presentation to Council on June 11 regarding the status of this project. Council concurred to docket the presentation.

CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION

Homeless Funding

Elisia Dalluge, 310 Loring, Moses Lake, volunteers on a Homeless Consortium. She expressed concerns on Moses Lake regulations, and reviewed the Consortium's spending in 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

- #1 a. City Council meeting minutes dated April 22, 23, 29, and May 2, 2019
 - b. Claims in the amount of \$1,123,514.36; prepaid claim checks in the amount of \$1,561,012.51; claim checks in the amounts of \$6,183.12, \$1,895.30, \$83,440.23, \$18,175.00, \$73,411.67; and payroll in the amounts of \$389,524.24, and \$400,145.30
 - c. Accept Sand Dunes Irrigation Piping and Power Project
 - d. Accept Road L Water Main Project
 - e. Accept Emergency Water Main Project

Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 7 - 0.

NEW BUSINESS

#2 Ambulance Billing Policies Resolution 3763

Staff presented the resolution for action in conjunction with Ordinance 2925. The resolution adopts the Transport Billing Procedure and EMS Financial Assistance Policies.

Action taken: Council Member Riggs moved to adopt Resolution 3763 as presented, second by Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 7 - 0.

#3 Ambulance Billing Amending MLMC 2.30 Ordinance 2925 – 2nd Presentation
First presentation occurred on March 26 followed by a Study Session on April 23. The ordinance updates language in the rate setting and ties it to the CPI index.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Curnel moved to adopt Ordinance 2925, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 7 – 0.

#4 White Bikes, LLC Contract Amendment

Vendor is requesting modifications to the previously approved contract to add rental of canoes, sale of pre-packaged food, and sale of pre-packaged non-alcoholic beverages. Council discussed establishing a formal policy and the short term/annual contract period.

Action taken: Council Member Riggs moved to authorize the City Manager to execute the new contract as presented, second by Council Member Myers. The motion carried 5-2, Mayor Liebrecht and Deputy Mayor Curnel were opposed.

#5 Camping Penalty Amending MLMC 9.18 Ordinance 2927

Council adopted Ordinance 2921 on April 9 without the civil penalty section and have since requested the omitted section be brought back for consideration in order for the

regulation to be enforceable in all instances.

Action taken: Council Member Hankins moved to adopt Ordinance 2927, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 7 - 0.

#6 Conservation Amendment for WSDOT Wetland Bank Instrument

Washington State Department of Transportation is requesting a change to the description to the Three Ponds Wetland Bank Instrument and Conservation Easement. The proposed change will match the original intent of both the instrument and easement, and enable the city to move forward with a pathway project partially funded through Quadco RTPO.

Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to approve the requested amendment, second by Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 7-0.

#7 Voucher Audit Amending MLMC 3.40.030 Ordinance

Staff is requesting a change in the Code to the statement for the meeting minutes and to create a more efficient process for reporting the claims summary each month. First presentation of the ordinance. No action taken.

#8 Election of Homeless Program Resolution 3764

The resolution is to adopt a City of Moses Lake homeless program to be able to receive a percentage of real estate excise tax monies.

Action taken: Council Member Hankins moved to adopt Resolution 3764, second by Council Member Riggs. The motion carried 7-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Fire Chief Brett Bastian reviewed the Ambulance Utility Billing Insert distributed to Council for review at the meeting.

Finance Director Cindy Jensen shared Lakeside Disposal's Spring Clean Up stats on May 4 and 11 at 229 loads received and that Grant County has offered to waive the tipping fee for these loads up to 16 tons.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Curnel requested information on estimated lost revenues from REC closing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Liebrecht called an Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. to be held for 15 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss litigation and there will be no further business.

Mayor Liebrecht extended the session three times for a total of 35 additional minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Karen Liebrecht, Mayor

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Debbie Burke, City Clerk