

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL

October 25, 2022

STUDY SESSION

Sustaining Water Resources

Interim Municipal Services Director Kirk Holmes distributed the Columbia Basin Groundwater Study findings. The 2012 study indicated that the City's primary aquifers have limited life. He discussed the top four priorities for future groundwater supply: Source and Supply, System Hydraulic Modeling, Capital Improvement Plan, and Communications and Outreach. The agricultural community is moving away from using aquifers and the surface water system is another future opportunity. He also shared that some communities have moved to drought tolerant landscaping and artificial grass in parks. Staff will be bringing forward policy changes in regard to water use and will ask for immediate action.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Mayor Myers 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 Fancher, Madewell, and Swartz. Council Member Eck was in attendance remotely.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director Susan Schwiesow led the Flag Salute.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Fancher pulled Consent Agenda item 9b) for questions and move to New Business.

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

PRESENTATION

Stephanie Massart, Public Relations Coordinator with the Daughters of the American Revolution Chapter Karneetsa, and is their liaison for the Land Recognition Committee. A Land Recognition Ceremony will be held Saturday, November 19 at 3 p.m. in the Civic Center Auditorium. They will have a slide show with pictures from the museum, a reading of a proclamation, and a presentation by the Colville Tribe on Chief Moses from the Columbia Basin Tribe. Staff will bring back a Resolution at the November 8 meeting with the Land Recognition narrative to be presented at the Ceremony.

CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION

Food Drive Event

Elisia Dallage from Moses Lake, WA, invited Council and the community to attend the Road Brother's food drive event happening at the Ross Dress for Less parking lot on Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SUMMARY REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

Yonezawa Anniversary Gift and Sister City Flag Presentation

Ginny Hirai and Terry Moore presented the Yonezawa City flag to be displayed in the Council Chambers. Ginny explained that the flag has 8 parts that represent the words Yone + Zawa and were combined into a flower to represent a cherry blossom. Staff also presented the anniversary stole, a gift from the Yonezawa Sister City. The stole was presented by our Sister City staff during the virtual 40th anniversary celebration. It has a design of the scenery of Yonezawa night sky as they see it in the Yonezawa Basin.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Planning Staff Acknowledgements

To continue honoring National Planning Month, Community Development Director Kirsten Sackett introduced herself and Community Development Planning staff: Michelene Torrey, Planning Technician; Amy Harris, Associate Planner; Nathan Pate, Senior Planner; and Vivian Ramsey, Planning Manager.

Development Code Update Timeline

Staff reviewed Title 15 and will be providing Council with a monthly update moving forward. Due to the commerce grant being part of this process, several deliverables are due in June 2023. The draft Ordinance will go to Planning Commission in December, Council review and community engagement will occur January through April. SEPA review process will be in April, followed by a Planning Commission Public Hearing in May, and Council adoption in June. The plan to have the entire update for Code completed by the end of 2023.

Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Director Susan Schwiesow Recognition

Director Susan Schwiesow was recognized for her 29 years of dedication to the City of Moses Lake's Parks Department.

Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Interim Director Introduction

Museum Superintendent Dollie Boyd has been selected as the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Interim Director. Dollie introduced herself and provided her background.

PUBLIC HEARING

- #1** 6-year Transportation Improvement Plan Amendment Resolution 3919
The Grant Transit Authority (GTA) provided a presentation on their Six-year Transit Development Plan and are requesting that it be adopted by reference into the City of Moses Lake Six-year Transportation Improvement Program. This will show City support for their upcoming improvement project as they apply for grants and funding. Mayor Myers opened the hearing at 7:54 p.m. There were no public comments and the hearing was closed.

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to adopt Resolution 3919 as presented, second by Council Member Fancher. The motion carried 7– 0.

CONSENT AGENDA

#2

- a. Claim Checks 158113 – 158265 in the amount of \$1,038,446.26; Payroll Checks 64779 through 64787 in the amount of \$5,033.41; and Electronic Payments in the amount of \$515,226.99.
- b. ~~Dieringer Water Rights Purchase and Sale Agreement~~
- c. Stormwater Comprehensive Plan Contract Award

Action taken: Council Member Swartz moved to approve the Consent Agenda without item (b), second by Council Member Madewell. The motion carried 7 – 0.

NEW BUSINESS

#2b Dieringer Water Rights Purchase and Sale Agreement

The Fee in Lieu was discussed during the budget workshop as not paying for the water rights or development costs. Staff will bring a new rate forward as a separate action.

Action taken: Council Member Fancher moved to approve item (b), second by Council Member Swartz. The motion carried 7 – 0.

#3 Fire Labor Contract

The labor agreement between the City of Moses Lake and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees International Association of Fire Fighters, Local #1258 bargaining unit expired December 31, 2021. The parties were able to work through a collective process and agree on a new three-year agreement.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Martinez moved to approve the Fire Labor Contract as presented, second by Council Member Madewell. The motion carried 7– 0.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Moses Lake Community Coalition 3rd Quarter Report

The Moses Lake Community Coalition 3rd quarter report was in the packet. There has been some great work and they their funding request for 2023 has been included in the draft budget for Council consideration.

Reminders for Next Week

There will be Municipal Services Director interviews on Tuesday followed by tours of facilities requested at the budget workshop. The continued budget workshop will be held at 2 p.m. on November 8.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Council Member Swartz attended the Community Development, Municipal Services and Parks meeting. There was discussion on the development code and that there has been progress made.

Deputy Mayor Martinez attended the Grant County Health District. They are doing a wage review as a result of losing staff to other agencies. The Moses Lake Watershed Council also met

and plan to start earlier in the year with their educational programs on water conservation. The Moses Lake Community Coalition is requesting the community to complete their survey that will help them to assess where needs are met.

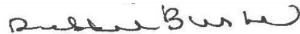
Mayor Myers requested that a Council Committee list be sent out for review so Council Member Skaug can be assigned to committees. He announced that GTA General Manager Greg Wright retired Thursday and noted that he had done a great job bringing their budget back from being low.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



Don Myers, Mayor


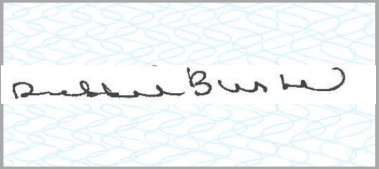


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Debbie Burke, City Clerk

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