

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
January 26, 2016

Council Present: Todd Voth, Karen Liebrecht, Bill Ecret, David Curnel, Don Myers, Mike Norman, and Ryann Leonard

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Voth.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Richard Bisnett, Human Resources Director, led the Council in the flag salute.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION - None

PRESENTATION AND AWARDS

Police Department: Bradley Zook, Police Officer, was introduced to the Council, and given the oath of office.

Community Development: Lori Witters, Department Secretary, was introduced to the Council.

Public Works: Mike Moro, Public Works Superintendent, and Joey Clifner, Mechanic, were introduced to the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the January 12 meeting were presented for approval.

Approval of Claims, Prepaid Claims, Checks, and Payroll: Vouchers audited and certified by the Finance Director as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims, certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the Council for approval and is retained for public inspection at the Civic Center. As of January 26, 2016 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$981,625.62; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$64,892.09 and \$3,511.28; claim checks in the amount of \$1,697,760.63; and payroll in the amount of \$390,145.24.

Action Taken: Mr. Curnel moved that the Consent Agenda be approved, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, and passed unanimously.

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - None

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - None

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

WATER USE EFFICIENCY GOALS

The Municipal Water Law requires municipal water suppliers to publicly establish water use efficiency goals which should run concurrently with the updates of the Water System Plan. The Water Division has recommended that the goal for the Moses Lake Water System be to continue to reduce the average annual consumption per residential connection by 2% by 2022.

The public hearing was opened. There were no comments.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the public hearing be closed, seconded by Mr. Curnel, and passed unanimously.

Mike Moro, Public Works Superintendent, gave some background on the Water System Comprehensive Plan and the goal of conserving water. The City's goal is to conserve 2% per year for the next 6 years, which is a reasonable goal to accomplish with new technology and user education.

After some discussion by Council, staff was requested to review the City's current rate structure with the possibility of changing from the more water used the less is charged to the more water used the more is charged.

It was pointed out that the water use efficiency goal and the rate structure are different issues and will be provided to Council separately.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE - AMEND 18.20 - RESIDENTIAL ZONES - 1ST READING

An ordinance was presented which amends Chapter 18.20, Residential Zones, to bring it into compliance with state law regarding the placement of manufactured homes. This amendment would allow manufactured homes in all residential zones.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, pointed out that in 2004 the legislature passed a bill that stated that cities could no longer distinguish between manufactured housing and traditional stick built housing. Changes were made to the Single Family and Two Family Residential Zone and the Multi-Family Residential Zone to allow manufactured homes but they were still prohibited in the Single Family Residential Zone. In 2014 the City's was notified of the non-compliance by the City's insurance carrier. The City has until March 1 to become compliant with the state law.

There was some discussion concerning any requirements that should be placed on manufactured homes in single family residential zones.

The ordinance amending Chapter 18.20 of the Moses Lake Municipal Code entitled "Residential Zones" was read by title only. Staff was requested to include development standards for the manufactured homes in the Single Family Residential Zone.

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDS - None

REFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - None

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

GRANT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL - APPOINTMENT

The Grant County Economic Development Council requested a representative from the City Council to serve on their board.

Action Taken: Mr. Curnel moved that Mr. Norman be appointed to the Grant County Economic Development Council, seconded by Mrs. Liebrecht, and passed unanimously.

WATER/SEWER SERVICE - NAKONECHNY

Aleksey and Maria Nakonechnyy requested permission to connect Lot 14, Block 2, Lincoln Plat, located at 9126 Space Street, to the City's sewer system without annexing the property to the City. The property is within one half mile of the City's limits but it would be impractical to annex since there are additional parcels and right-of-way between the lot and the City's limits.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the request for City services be granted without requiring annexation but with the stipulation that an Extra Territorial Utility Agreement be required, seconded by Mr. Norman, and passed unanimously.

PLATTING DEEMED INSUFFICIENT - 621 EWING

Fabian Pimentel, submitted a building permit application for Lot 35, Block 1, Lakeview Terrace #2, located at 621 Ewing Place, which is a legally platted parcel, and requested a deferral of the required improvements.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, mentioned that property platted years ago was not required to install municipal improvements that are now required with current plats. In order to rectify the deficiencies, staff cannot issue a building permit for improvements on insufficiently platted property unless the properties are brought into conformance with the current codes or the City Council grants a waiver, deferral, or deviation from the requirements to install the deficient plat improvements. He mentioned that if the Council approves a waiver, a covenant for the additional improvements would be required of the owner.

Action Taken: Mrs. Liebrecht moved that the request be granted with the stipulation that a covenant be required for construction of the improvements in the future, seconded by Mr. Curnel, and passed unanimously.

PLATTING DEEMED INSUFFICIENT - 721 IRONWOOD

Michael Fabian submitted a building permit application for Lot 4, North Terrace Addition #3, located at 721 Ironwood, which is a legally platted parcel, and requested a deferral of the required improvements.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, mentioned that property platted years ago was not required to install municipal improvements that are now required with current plats. In order to rectify the deficiencies, staff cannot issue a building permit for improvements on insufficiently platted property unless the properties are brought into conformance with the current codes or the City Council grants a waiver, deferral, or deviation from the requirements to install the deficient plat improvements. He mentioned that if the Council approves a deferral, a covenant for the additional improvements would be required of the owner.

Action Taken: Mrs. Leonard moved that the request be granted with the stipulation that a covenant be required for construction of the improvements in the future, seconded by Mr. Norman, and passed unanimously.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - None

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS - None

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ATTEST

Todd Voth, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director