

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
February 9, 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: Chris Mortensen, Firefighter, led the Council in the flag salute.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION - None

PRESENTATION AND AWARDS

Community Development Department: Tina Jewell, Code Enforcement Officer, was introduced to the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the January 26 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 February 9, 2016 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$1,130,600.63; prepaid claims in the amount of \$19,586.77; claim checks in the amount of \$1,120,145.71; and payroll in the amounts of \$308,142.30 and \$2,533.68.

Lakeview Park Major Plat and Findings of Fact: The Municipal Services Department has submitted an application for a one-lot preliminary plat of 3.56 acres. The site is the existing Lakeview Park at 840 S. Clover Drive. The site is zoned Public, which corresponds to the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Designation of Public Facilities. The Planning Commission recommended that the preliminary plat be approved with conditions.

Parks and Recreation Comprehensive Plan - Set Public Hearing: Staff requested approval to set a public hearing on February 23 to consider the 2016 Parks and Recreation Comprehensive and Open Space Plan.

MLMC Chapter 6.07 - Chickens - Set Public Hearing: Staff requested approval to set a public hearing on February 23 to consider a proposed ordinance that would permit the keeping of chickens in the residential zones.

MLMC Chapter 18.20 - Residential Zones - Set Public Hearing: Staff requested approval to set a public hearing on February 23 to consider a proposed ordinance that would permit manufactured homes in all residential zones.

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

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - None

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - None

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE - AMEND 18.40 - INDUSTRIAL ZONES - PUBLIC HEARING

An ordinance was presented which would allow surface mining in the heavy industrial zone as a conditional use permit.

The ordinance was read by title only.

The public hearing was opened. There were no comments.

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

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, explained that surface mining would be allowed as a conditional use and that violations of the regulations would be dealt with by Code Enforcement.

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDS - None

REFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - None

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

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 proposed goal from the Water Division is to reduce the average annual consumption per residential connection by 2% by 2022.

Gary Harer, Municipal Services Director, stated that a goal is set every six years and the previous goal was the same 2% reduction which was met by education, the use of more efficient appliances by the public, and increased rates. The same goal of reducing consumption by 2% is recommended for the next six years and should be easily accomplished through the same efforts.

There was some discussion by the Council.

Action Taken: Mr. Norman moved that the goal of reducing the average annual consumption per residential connection by 2% by 2022 be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Liebrecht, and passed unanimously.

CASCADE PARK RESTROOM

Staff requested direction on the replacement of the day use restroom at Cascade Park that received extensive fire damage due to arson. Staff recommended that a CXT pre-fabricated concrete restroom be used. This type of construction has a usable life of at least double any other options and is virtually fire proof.

John Williams, City Manager, pointed out that the funds to replace the restroom come from the rental from the cell towers and there is sufficient monies in the fund to cover the cost.

Spencer Grigg, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that the CXT restrooms are concrete and almost indestructible. The sinks and toilets are constructed as part of the building and are very difficult to damage.

Gary Harer, Municipal Services Director, stated that the replacement of the restroom will also include platting the property and connecting Cascade Park to City sewer, including the campground. The entire project of demolition of the existing building, construction of the new restroom, and extension of sewer from Crestview will cost approximately \$450,000.

There was considerable discussion by the Council and staff was requested to provide a report on the revenue from the cell tower rentals and how those funds have been expended.

Action Taken: Mrs. Liebrecht moved that staff be authorized to proceed with the replacement of the restroom at Cascade Park with a CXT pre-fabricated concrete restroom, seconded by Mr. Myers, and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION - WINCO BINDING SITE PLAN - APPEAL

In July the City received an application from Winco Foods for an amendment to the Big Bend Binding Site Plan in order to segregate three parcels, one of which was for a proposed Winco Foods store. In November the City received an appeal of the Big Bend Binding Site Plan approval. The Planning Commission heard the

appeal and provided their Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Final Decision on the SEPA appeal and a recommended decision on the appeal of the Big Bend Binding Site Plan Amendment. Staff recommended that the Council uphold the Planning Commission's recommended decision to deny the Appellant's appeal of the Big Bend Binding Site Plan.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m. and the Council met in a 30 minute executive session with the City Attorney to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(I). The executive session was adjourned at 8:07 p.m. and the regular meeting was reconvened.

The resolution adopting the City of Moses lake Planning Commission's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in Appeal Nos. 15-01 and 15-02 and denying appeal 15.02 was read by title only.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Mr. Norman, and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS - NON-AGENDA ITEMS

DONATION

Nathaniel Strom, Moses Lake Adult Hockey Association, thanked the Council for the use of the ice skating rink for their tournament and presented commemorative hockey pucks to each City Council member. He mentioned that all proceeds from the tournament and the beer garden will be donated to the Parks and Recreation Department for the ice rink.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

TRAILS

Dr. Curnel suggested that a trail be named after Joe Rogers, who recently passed away, as he was very involved in the Trails Planning Team for many years.

It was pointed out that the Parks and Recreation Commission are charged with naming City facilities and it was the consensus of Council to request the Commission to review the suggestion of naming a trail after Joe Rogers.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Action Taken: Mrs. Leonard moved that the Council adjourn to an 5 minute executive session with the City Attorney under RCW 42.30.140(2) to evaluate a complaint against a public official, seconded by Mr. Myers, and passed unanimously.

The regular meeting was recessed at 8:30 p.m.

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ATTEST

Todd Voth, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director