

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
March 22, 2016

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Voth in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 401 S. Balsam, Moses Lake, Washington.

Executive Secretary Sophia Guerrero called the roll. The following were:

Present: Mayor Todd Voth, Deputy Mayor Karen Liebrecht, and Council members Bill Ecret, Don Myers, Mike Norman, and Ryann Leonard

Absent: Council member David Curnel

Action Taken: Mr. Norman moved to excuse Mr. Curnel from the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Ryan, and passed unanimously.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alexis Sandmann, Moses Lake High School Girls Basketball Team, led the Council in the flag salute.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS - None

MAYOR'S REPORTS

RESOLUTION - RENAME HIGHWAY 395

A resolution was presented which supported the request to name U. S. Highway 395 after Thomas Stephen Foley.

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

PROCLAMATION

A proclamation recognizing the Moses Lake High School Girls Basketball Team and Coaches for an outstanding season was read and presented by Deputy Mayor Liebrecht.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS - None

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: None

CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATIONS

AMEND 18.50 - RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA BUSINESSES

Gary Goodwin, owner of property in the 100 Block W. Third Avenue, stated that the property has been vacant for over a year and he has received inquiries from a marijuana retail business to rent the space. He requested a reduction from the 1,000 foot buffer required of marijuana businesses from certain entities to 100' in order to rent his property to this entity.

Lisa Boorman, Red Door Café and Red Door, 202 & 206 W. Third Avenue, stated that she was opposed to a marijuana business in the downtown area.

Janeen Wagner, 102 W/w. Third, operates a children store with a play area, stated that she was opposed to a marijuana business in the vicinity.

There was some discussion by the Council but not action was taken.

VETERAN'S LISTENING SESSION

Elisia Dalluge, 211 E. 7th Avenue, #18, encouraged people to attend the Veterans Listening Session hosted by Congressman Newhouse on March 29, 2016 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Moses Lake Civic Center Auditorium.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the March 8 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 March 22, 2016 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$507,498.56; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$72,242.40 and \$15,398.05; claim checks in the amount of \$1,096,193.26; and payroll in the amount of \$303,800.50.

Resolution - Accept Easement - Big Bend Center Commercial Binding Site Plan, 1st Amendment: A resolution was presented which accepts a utility access easement from Harlan and Maxine Douglass for Parcels J, N, and O of the Big Bend Center Commercial Binding Site Plan, 1st Amendment.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGSORDINANCE - VACATE RIGHT-OF-WAY - GTA

An ordinance was presented which vacates and relocates a portion of the alley between Lot 8 revised and Lot 13 revised, Block 8, Neppel Plat. A municipal and public utility easement will be retained over the vacated portion of the alley.

The ordinance vacating a portion of right-of-way was read by title only.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, explained the process and the fact that the City has requested one half the appraised value of the vacated property.

The public hearing was opened. There were no comments, so the public hearing was closed.

ORDINANCE - ANNEXATION - NORTHWEST UNITED PROPERTIES

An ordinance was presented which annexes the property located at 11676 NE Kittleson Road and owned by Northwest United Properties. The property is proposed to be zoned C-2, General Commercial and Business.

The ordinance annexing property commonly known as the Northwest United Properties annexation, subject to assumption of indebtedness, and adopting pre-annexation zoning controls for such property, to the City of Moses Lake, Washington, and incorporating the same within the corporate limits of the City of Moses Lake was read by title only.

The public hearing was opened. There were no comments, so the public hearing was closed.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESSORDINANCE - REPEAL LAKE VUE PURD

An ordinance was presented which repeals the ordinance creating the Lake Vue Planned Unit Residential Development. This proposed PURD is located on Marina Drive. No development has taken place within the required 3 year time period and the ordinance creating the PURD needs to be repealed.

The ordinance repealing Ordinance 2432 creating the Lake Vue Planned Unit Residential Development was read by title only.

ORDINANCE - AMEND 13.12 - WATER, SEWER AND STORMWATER RATES

An ordinance was presented which increases the water, sewer and stormwater rates by the All West Coast All Urban CPI figure which is 1.8%. All increases are rounded off to the nearest \$.05 increment.

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director, explained the process for increasing the rates.

RESOLUTION - SPRING FESTIVAL

A resolution was presented regarding the Spring Festival to be held on May 26 - 29, 2016.

The resolution regarding the Moses Lake Spring Festival to be held May 26, 27, 28, and 29, 2016 was read by title only.

Melinda Henry, 429 W. Ridge Road, stated that the hours for the beer garden will be shorter than last year and wine will also be offered.

Dale Roth, 5838 Ridgeview, stated that this is the 36th year for the Spring Festival and it brings family and fun to the area.

Jasmyne DeBeaumont, 3251 Road O.5 SE, stated that this event requires a great deal of time and effort and many people from all over attend the Festival.

Sean Sallis, 538 Clark, stated that this event is supported by the downtown businesses and there were 88 teams for the 3 on 3 tournament last year.

Action Taken: Mrs. Leonard moved that the resolution be adopted and the City Manager be authorized to sign the Hold Harmless Agreement, seconded by Mrs. Liebrecht, and passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

BALLFIELD LIGHTING

Spencer Grigg, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that staff is investigating the possibility of applying for a grant from the Youth Athletic Facilities Grant program through the Recreation Communication Organization for ballfield lighting improvements. The grant is a 50% match and the grant deadline is May 2.

There was some discussion and it was the consensus of the Council that staff proceed with the grant application.

DIVISION STREET

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer, stated that staff has been studying the possibility of changing Division Street from 4 lanes to 3 lanes with bike lanes.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - none

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

ATTEST

Todd Voth, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director