

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
October 11, 2011

Council Present: Jon Lane, Dick Deane , Karen Liebrecht, David Curnel, Richard Pearce, and Bill Ecret
Absent: Brent Reese

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Dr. Curnel led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the September 27, 2011 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 city hall. As of October 11, 2011 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$1,684,347.15; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$3,187.42 and \$19,570.06; claim checks in the amount of \$879,028.50; and payroll in the amounts of \$4,270.55 and \$318,708.01.

Resolution - Accept Sewer Improvements - SGL Automotive Carbon Fiber: A resolution was presented which accepts the sewer improvements constructed in Randolph Road by SGL Automotive Carbon Fiber, LLC.

Resolution - Accept Easement - Moses Lake School District #161: A resolution was presented which accepts an access easement for the water and/or sewer meters located on the Park Orchard Elementary property from the Moses Lake School District #161.

Resolution - Accept Easement - Moses Lake School District #161: A resolution was presented which accepts an easement for a portion of the Paxson Drive right-of-way from the Moses Lake School District #161.

Resolution - Accept Easement - Catholic Bishop of Yakima: A resolution was presented which accepts an easement for a portion of Paxson Drive right-of-way from the Catholic Bishop of Yakima.

Resolution - Accept Easement - Cornerstone Real Estate Group, LLC.: A resolution was presented which accepts an easement for a portion of Paxson Drive right-of-way from the Cornerstone Real Estate Group, LLC.

Resolution - Accept Improvements - Moses Lake School District #161: A resolution was presented which accepts street and utility improvements for Paxson Drive and Blanchette Avenue from the Moses Lake School District #161 and constructed as part of the Park Orchard Elementary School.

Action Taken: Mr. Pearce moved that the Consent Agenda be approved, seconded by Mr. Ecret, and passed unanimously.

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - NoneCONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - NonePETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS - NoneORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONSRESOLUTION - ACCEPT DONATION - EPHRATA/MOSES LAKE KENNEL

A resolution was presented which accepts a \$100 donation from the Ephrata/Moses Lake Kennel. The funds are to be used for the purchase of Dog-i-pot liners in the parks.

The resolution accepting a monetary donation of \$100.00 to be used for the purchase of dog-i-pot liners to be used in our parks was read by title only.

Action Taken: Mrs. Liebrecht moved that the resolution be adopted, seconded by Dr. Curnel, and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION - BUILD ON UNPLATTED PROPERTY - HEPBURN

A resolution was presented which allows Charles and Loretta Hepburn to construct a storage building on unplatted property and rescinds two previous resolutions which required the property to be platted within one year. The proposed construction does not require new utility service, which would be required through the platting process.

The resolution allowing Charles and Loretta Hepburn to build on unplatted property was read by title only.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, explained the platting process and how it relates to unplatted property and the specifics for the property owned by Charles and Loretta Hepburn. He mentioned that the property will be platted in the future.

There was some discussion by the Council.

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

RESOLUTION - NUISANCE ABATEMENT - 502 KENTUCKY

A resolution was presented which provides for the abatement of nuisances at 502 Kentucky. The property is owned by Michael Watson.

The resolution determining that Michael Watson is the owner of certain real property within the City; that a nuisance requiring abatement by City forces or forces contracted by the City exists on such property; and directing the use of such forces to abate the nuisance found was read by title only.

Greg Navarez, Code Enforcement Officer, was sworn in and provided testimony concerning this issue. He mentioned that there has been no response from the property owners to any of the notices provided by the city and none of the nuisances have been corrected.

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

RESOLUTION - NUISANCE ABATEMENT - 9882 KINDER

A resolution was presented which provides for the abatement of nuisances at 9882 Kinder. The property is owned by Longview Water, Inc.

The resolution determining that Longview Water, Inc. is the owner of certain real property within the City; that a nuisance requiring abatement by City forces or forces contracted by the City exists on such property; and directing the use of such forces to abate the nuisance found was read by title only.

Greg Nevarez, Code Enforcement Officer, was sworn in and provided testimony concerning this issue.

Greg Vehrs, representing Longview Water, Inc., stated that the property was sprayed for weeds and cleaned up and the pictures provided by the Code Enforcement Officer were actually of the neighboring property.

There was some discussion about the location of the property lines and the state of the property.

Joseph K. Gavinski, City Manager, stated that there is apparently some confusion over the property lines but that passing the resolution will still give the property owner 15 days to have the property cleaned. If the property is already cleaned up and/or it is cleaned within the 15 days, no further action is required.

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

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDS

WELLS 11 AND 24 - PUMPHOUSE PROJECT

Staff requested permission to call for bids for the 2011 Wells 11 and 24 pumphouse project. This project includes replacing the pumphouses and updating the controls and chlorination systems at both locations. The pump assembly at Well 11 will also be lowered 100' to address declining groundwater levels.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the request to call for bids be granted, seconded by Mrs. Liebrecht, and passed unanimously.

REFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - None

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

WORK HOURS - STRATFORD ROAD

Desert Development, Inc. requested permission to work between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. for two nights to install the centerline curbing along Stratford Road adjacent to Walgreens. No residential homes are adjacent to the project site.

Action Taken: Mr. Deane moved that the request be granted, seconded by Dr. Curnel, and passed unanimously.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - None

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

BUILDING ACTIVITY REPORT

The September 2011 Building Activity Report was provided.

GAMBLING REPORT

The city received \$70,340.10 in gambling tax income for the third quarter of 2011.

INVESTMENT REPORT

The city received \$23,870.43 in investment income for September 2011.

SALES TAX/TRANSIENT RENTAL INCOME

The city received \$411,796.14 in sales tax and \$55,399.42 in transient rental income in September 2011.

The regular meeting was recessed at 7:45 p.m. and the Council met in a 30 minute executive session to discuss labor relations. The executive session was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. and the regular meeting was reconvened.

FIRE - UNION CONTRACT

The contract between the City and the members of the Local IAFF 2052 for firefighters was presented.

Action Taken: Mr. Pearce moved that the City Manager be authorized to sign the contract, seconded by Dr. Curnel, and passed unanimously.

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

ATTEST

Jon Lane, Mayor

Ronald R. Cone, Finance Director