

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
November 8, 2011

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mrs. Liebrecht led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS

PROCLAMATION

The proclamation declaring November 2011 as Moses Lake Lions Club Appreciation Month was read in its entirety.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the October 25, 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 November 8, 2011 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$3,833,276.70; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$21,115.05 and \$5,197.95; claim checks in the amount of \$946,258.15; and payroll in the amounts of \$4,524.62 and \$312,574.66.

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

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - None

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - None

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

SUMMER EVENTS REVIEW

Bill Burke, Burke Marketing, gave a presentation on the effectiveness of the advertising and programming for the events in Moses Lake and provided information on the 28 events held throughout the year.

ORDINANCE - 2012 BUDGET - 1ST READING/PUBLIC HEARING

The ordinance establishing the 2012 budget was presented.

The ordinance adopting the budget for the City of Moses Lake, Washington for the year of 2012 was read by title only.

The public hearing was opened.

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

Action Taken: Mr. Pearce moved that the first reading of the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Mr. Reese, and passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES - TAXATION - 2ND READINGS

Ordinances were presented which fix the estimated amount to be received by the city from property taxes and sets the tax levy rate.

The ordinance fixing the amount to be received for municipal purposes from taxations on assessed valuations on property within the City of Moses Lake, Washington for 2012 was read by title only.

Action Taken: Mr. Pearce moved that the second reading of the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Mr. Deane, and passed unanimously.

The ordinance fixing the estimated amount to be received for municipal purposes from taxations on assessed valuations on property within the City of Moses Lake, Washington for 2012 was read by title only.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the second reading of the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Mrs. Liebrecht, and passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE - AMEND 2.46 - TOURISM COMMISSION - 1ST READING

An ordinance was presented which updates the organizations the Tourism Commission is to coordinate with on tourism issues.

The ordinance amending Chapter 2.46 of the Moses Lake Municipal Code entitled "Tourism Commission" was read by title only.

Action Taken: Dr. Curnel moved that the first reading of the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Mr. Reese, and passed unanimously.

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDS - None

REFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - None

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

LONGVIEW SEWER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

With the completion of the Longview Sewer Construction Project, city staff will be notifying property owners that they are required to connect to the sewer main by the fall of 2012 as the City will be installing sidewalks and improving Longview Street and Kinder Road in 2013. In 1987 the City installed the sewer main along Kinder Road between Miller Street and Stratford Road and set up a reimbursement to the adjacent property owners. Staff is requesting direction from Council on whether or not to pay to install the remaining side services along Kinder Road and collect the reimbursement for the sewer main the City installed in 1987.

Shawn O'Brien, City Engineer, explained that those properties fronting Kinder Road would be required to pay for the sewer main that was installed in 1987 but the City covered the cost for those properties improved with the new sewer construction project. He mentioned that the reimbursement required is \$27 per front foot which comes to about \$15,000 for each side of the road, which does not include the stub out costs.

There was some discussion by the Council.

Action Taken: Mr. Deane moved that the City cover the cost for those lots on Kinder Road that need to be connected to the sewer main, seconded by Mr. Reese, and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION - NUISANCE ABATEMENT - 1105 HILL

A resolution was presented which provides for the abatement of nuisances at 1105 Hill. The property is owned by Gordon and Deena Beeman.

The resolution determining that Gordon and Deena R. Beeman are the owners 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 and provided recent pictures.

Action Taken: Mr. Deane moved that the resolution be adopted, 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

SALES TAX/TRANSIENT RENTAL INCOME

The City received \$446,905.90 in sales tax and \$62,457.58 in transient rental income in October 2011.

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

ATTEST

Jon Lane, Mayor

Ronald R. Cone, Finance Director