

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
December 11, 2012

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Ecret led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the November 27 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 December 11, 2012 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$578,024.05; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$70,637.57 and \$13,558.84; claim checks in the amount of \$1,224,567.19; and payroll in the amounts of \$321,551.16.

Dr. Curnel questioned several bills presented for payment and staff explained the costs.

Resolution - Accept Access Easement - D & L Realty Washington: A resolution was presented which accepts an easement from D & L Realty Washington to access water meters, electronic reading devices, and sanitary sewer meters on the D & L Foundry Major Plat.

Resolution - Accept Access Easement - Maiers Enterprises, LLC: A resolution was presented which accepts an easement from Maiers Enterprises, LLC to access water meters, electronic reading devices, and sanitary sewer meters on the Broadway Business Park North II Major Plat, Lot 1, Commercial Binding Site Plan No. 3.

Resolution - Accept Quit Claim Deed - Dept. of Transportation: A resolution was presented which accepts a quit claim deed from the Department of Transportation for the property adjacent to the overpass on Potato Hill Road.

Mr. Deane requested an explanation of the transfer of the property from the Dept. of Transportation to the City and staff explained the process.

Resolution - Accept Grant - Heron Bluff Trail: A resolution was presented which accepts a grant in the amount of \$19,999 for the Heron Bluff Trail from the Community Economic Revitalization Board.

Accept Work - Wells 11 & 24: POW contracting, Inc. has completed the work on the Well House Project for Wells 11 and 24. The work should be accepted and the 60 day lien period entered into.

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

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - NoneCONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - NonePETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS - NoneORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONSORDINANCE - AMEND 2012 BUDGET - 2ND READING

An ordinance was presented which amends the 2012 budget.

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

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

ORDINANCE - AMEND 2012 BUDGET - 1ST READING

An ordinance was presented which amends the 2012 budget.

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

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

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDSTREE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Staff requested authorization to call for bids for the 2013 Tree Replacement Project. This project includes removing thirty trees and tree planters in the downtown paver district and replacing twenty-five of them with European Hornbeam. An addition would include removing and replacing five additional trees and tree planters.

Dr. Curnel questioned the cost of replacing the trees on a continuing basis and felt that the repair should be made to the sidewalk but eliminate the trees.

Mrs. Liebrecht felt that the project should be delayed until the Council could consider less expensive alternatives to beautifying the downtown area.

Mr. Deane felt that the trees and flower boxes are an important factor in the development of a growing community and was not in favor of postponing the project.

Staff explained the project and the improvements that have been made in containing the tree roots to prevent damage to the sidewalk or curbs.

Action Taken: Mr. Lane moved that staff be authorized to call for bids, seconded by Mr. Deane, and passed with Dr. Curnel and Mrs. Liebrecht opposed.

REFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - None

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATIONDEFERRAL/DEVIATION REQUEST - KLAMM

Robert Klamm has requested deferral deviations of the subdivision requirements for the placement of a manufactured home at 8577 Charles Place. The property is platted as Lot 4, Block 2, Gateway Estates Division 2 Replat but Charles Place is not constructed to City standards and there is no curb, gutter, or sidewalks. The request is to defer the street improvements on Charles Place.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, explained the deferral request and that a covenant would require the property owner to pay for the cost of the improvements in the future.

Action Taken: Dr. Curnel moved that the deferral of the street improvements be granted with the stipulation that a covenant be required for the improvements in the future, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - NoneCOUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - NoneCITY MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS - None

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

ATTEST

Bill J. Ecret, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director