

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
December 30, 2013

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Reese led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATION AND AWARDS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the December 10 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 30, 2013 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$302,665.42; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$44,602.66, and \$100,860.61; claim checks in the amount of \$2,016,718.28; and payroll in the amount of \$317,512.63 and \$4,047.92.

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

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

PLANNING COMMISSION

Mayor Ecret requested confirmation of the appointment of Gary Mann to the Planning Commission.

Action Taken: Mr. Deane moved that the appointment be confirmed, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Mayor Ecret requested confirmation of the appointment of Todd Voth to the Airport Commission as the ex officio member from the Council.

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

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - None

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE - 2013 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS - 2ND READING

An ordinance was presented which adopts the 2013 Comprehensive Plan amendments. The amendments include replacement of the existing Vision Statement written in 1995 with a new Vision Statement developed through surveys and multiple public meetings and an update to the Transportation Element to match the updated Transportation Improvement Program adopted by the Council in 2013.

The ordinance adopting the 2013 Comprehensive Plan amendments was read by title only.

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

ORDINANCE - AMEND 2013 BUDGET - 2ND READING

An ordinance was presented which amends the budget for 2013.

The ordinance amending the budget for the City of Moses Lake, Washington for the year of 2013 was read by title only.

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

ORDINANCE - AMEND 2013 BUDGET - SINGLE READING

An ordinance was presented which amends the budget for 2013.

The ordinance amending the budget for the City of Moses Lake, Washington for the year of 2013 was read by title only.

Action Taken: Mr. Reese moved that an emergency be declared and the ordinance be adopted on a single reading, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION - INTER-FUND LOAN

A resolution was presented which provides for a \$100,000 inter-fund loan from the Water/Sewer Fund to the Sanitation Fund.

The resolution authorizing an inter-fund loan to the Sanitation Fund 490 from the Water/Sewer Fund 410 was read by title only.

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

RESOLUTION - INTER-FUND LOAN

A resolution was presented which provides for a \$300,000 inter-fund loan from the Water/Sewer Fund to the Ambulance Fund.

The resolution authorizing an inter-fund loan to the Ambulance Fund 498 from the Water/Sewer Fund 410 was read by title only.

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

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDS - NoneREFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - NoneOTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATIONPROPERTY - COLUMBIA BASIN RAILROAD/MAIERS ENTERPRISES

Staff has been working with the Columbia Basin Railroad and Maiers Enterprises to obtain property and an access easement for the bio-filtration swale required to be constructed as part of the Stormwater Retrofit Project, Site A. The proposed property exchange and easement provided that the City would purchase a 20' wide strip of land from the railroad and an 80' wide parcel from Maiers Enterprises where the swale will be located. The City would then deed most of the 20' wide strip of land to Maiers in return for an access easement. A Department of Ecology grant will pay for 75% of the City's costs associated with the transactions.

Gary Harer, Municipal Services Director, provided background information on the proposed property exchange.

There was some discussion by the Council.

Action Taken: Mrs. Liebrecht moved that the City Manager be authorized to sign the necessary documents for the exchange of property and the acquisition of the easement, 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

AMBULANCE REPORT

The cash report on the ambulance operations for the month of November was provided.

BUILDING ACTIVITY REPORT

The November building activity report was provided.

INVESTMENT REPORT

The City received \$16,888.78 in investment income for October and \$14,798.96 for November.

SALES TAX/TRANSIENT RENTAL INCOME

The City received \$465,603.85 in sales tax and \$57,668.74 in transient rental income in November.

OATH OF OFFICE

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director, administered the oath of office to the new Council members - Todd Voth, Bill Ecret, Karen Liebrecht, and Dr. David Curnel.

COUNCIL

Mayor Ecret presented a plaque to outgoing Council member Brent Reese for 13.5 years of service on the Council.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

ATTEST

Bill Ecret, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director