

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
April 22, 2014

Council Present: Dick Deane, Bill Ecret, Karen Liebrecht, Jason Avila, Todd Voth, Jon Lane, and David Curnel

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Tony Webb, PUD, led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATION AND AWARDS

Police Department: Erika Simmons, Police Clerk, was introduced to the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the April 8 meeting were presented for approval.

Resolution - Set Public Hearing - Right-of-Way Vacation: A resolution was presented which sets a public hearing on the vacation of a right-of-way on Lot 6 Replat of Lots 8 and 10, Block 4, Moses Lake Industrial Park Plat.

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

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 April 22, 2014 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$557,928.42; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$23,208.03 and \$40,949.66; claim checks in the amount of \$1,031,082.97; and payroll in the amount of \$321,431.39.

Mr. Voth questioned the payment to Mayfield Fitness.

It was explained that Mayfield Fitness services the exercise equipment the City purchases as part of the Wellness Program.

Action Taken: Mr. Voth moved that the claims and checks be approved, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - None

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES

SEWER FORCE MAIN PROJECT

The City received fifteen bids for the 2014 Sewer Force Main Project. This project includes installing 12,500' of 20" PVC force main along Baseline Road and Road K SE from Potato Hill Road to the Sand Dunes Treatment Plant.

Gary Harer, Municipal Services Director, stated that this project will complete the extension of the 20" force main to the Sand Dunes Treatment Plant and will give the City both a primary and back up force main to the plant.

Action Taken: Mr. Lane moved that the bid be awarded to Pegram Construction in the amount of \$1,226,486, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGSREQUEST TO USE CITY PROPERTY - MOSES LAKE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

The Moses Lake Business Association is hosting the Basin Brews and Tunes in Downtown on June 28 and requested the closure of Third Avenue from Beech to Ash and Ash Street from Third to Fourth. Permission was also requested for the use of Sinkiuse Square for a beer garden, food and commercial vendors, entertainment, and other activities.

Nathan Pack, representing the Moses Lake Business Association, stated that they would also like to sell unopened beer and wine off the premises of Sinkiuse Square.

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

GRANT COUNTY PUD

Tony Webb, General Manager of the PUD, provided information on the PUD activities and an update on the repair of the cracked spillway at the Wanapum Dam.

LIONESSE CLUB - SIGNS

The Lioness Club requested permission to place signs advertising the opening of their Spaceburger Booth on April 25 through 27. A sandwich board sign will be placed on City right-of-way at the corner of Valley and Stratford and a banner sign will be located at the corner of Broadway and Alder.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the request be granted, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

VACATION RENTALS

Vision 2020 submitted a list of stakeholders interested in discussing the rental of homes for less than 30 days.

Mr. Ecret stated that the proposed stakeholder group would meet to discuss the issue and provide a report to the Council at the end of the year.

There was some discussion by the Council and it was the consensus to wait on the information provided by this group before discussing vacation rentals further.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONSRESOLUTION - ACCEPT DONATION - COVENANT CHURCH

A resolution was presented which accepts a donation of \$143 from the Moses Lake Covenant Church to the Police Department. The funds will be used to offset costs for the 2014 National Night Out event.

The resolution accepting a cash donation of \$143 from the Moses Lake Covenant Church was read by title only.

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

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDSSTEEL WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Staff requested authorization to call for bids for the 2014 Steel Water Main Replacement Project. This project includes replacing mains in East Broadway, Fifth Avenue, and Stratford Road, the installation of an electronic control valve on Wheeler Road, and the installation of a hydrant on Turnkey Road.

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

MUNICIPAL AIRPORT OVERLAY PROJECT

Staff requested authorization to call for bids for the 2014 Municipal Airport Overlay Project. The project includes overlying the existing runway with 2" of hot mix asphalt, adding crushed rock to the shoulders, and provide new pavement marking.

Action Taken: Mr. Voth moved that the request be granted, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

REFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - None

OTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Mick Hansen requested consideration of an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan. Since the deadline for submitting amendments for the 2014 cycle has passed, the Council must determine whether or not to include this requested amendment. The amendment requested is a land use designation change from Commercial to Light Industrial for a portion of the property that he owns across I-90 immediately south of the Moses Lake Golf Club.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, explained the process for amending the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Hansen stated that the person interested in this piece of property has an operation that could be considered either commercial or light industrial and wishes to change the land use designation to accommodate the more industrial use.

There was some discussion by the Council.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the request for an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan be included in the 2014 cycle, seconded by Mr. Voth, and passed unanimously.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

USE OF CITY PROPERTY - LIONS

Mike Conley, 205 Belmont, representing the Lions Club, stated that the Lions Club has been hosting the annual Easter egg hunt in McCosh Park for over 15 years and this year is the first time the Club has been required to pay a \$50 application fee for the use of McCosh Park. Since the Easter egg hunt is a community service project and not a fund raiser, the Lions felt that they should not be obligated to pay the \$50 application fee.

Spencer Grigg, Parks and Recreation Director, explained that in the past people and organizations were holding events in the parks without notifying the Parks Department and it created conflicts when two events were held on the same date in the same park and general park maintenance, such as watering, took place during an event. In an effort to resolve some of these issues the application process was developed and has been refined over the past two years. He stated that the Parks Department recognizes that there are some events that should be encouraged and the process has been changed to address that issue and the \$50 fee will be refunded to the Lions.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

The first quarter financial report has been posted on the City's website.

GAMBLING TAX

The City received \$76,678.66 from gambling tax for the first quarter.

INVESTMENT REPORT

The City received \$18,371.36 in investment income for March.

SALES TAX/TRANSIENT RENTAL INCOME

The City received \$443,309.81 in sales tax and \$26,058.10 in transient rental income in March.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dave Ruffin, Police Chief, gave a presentation on the operations of the Police Department.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

ATTEST

Dick Deane, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director