

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL
July 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: Quinton Sand, Boy Scout, led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

PRESENTATION AND AWARDS - None

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: The minutes of the July 8 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 July 22, 2014 the Council does approve for payment claims in the amount of \$836,706.57; prepaid claims in the amounts of \$19,402.90 and \$27,128.33; claim checks in the amount of \$1,883,251.62; and payroll in the amounts of \$4,117.70 and \$406k701.57.

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

COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS - None

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS AND QUOTES - None

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, OR PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE - AMEND 16.40 - FIRE DEPARTMENT PERMIT FEES - 2ND READING

An ordinance was presented which brings the permit fees into compliance with the International Fire Code which has been adopted by the State of Washington.

The ordinance amending Chapter 16.40 of the Moses Lake Municipal Code entitled "Fire Department Permit Fees" was read by title only.

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

ORDINANCE - EXTEND MORATORIUM ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA GARDENS - 1ST READING

An ordinance was presented which extends the moratorium on the establishment of "collective gardens" for the medical use of marijuana.

The ordinance of the City of Moses Lake extending a moratorium on the establishment of medical marijuana collective gardens, defining "medical marijuana collective gardens", providing for a public hearing establishing an effective date, and providing that the moratorium, unless extended, will sunset within six (6) months of the date of adoption was read by title only.

Joseph K. Gavinski, City Manager, pointed out that the extension of the moratorium continues the City's wait and see position on the medical marijuana issue. He mentioned that the legislature is considering measures that may eliminate the collective gardens and incorporate them into the recreational marijuana regulations.

Action Taken: Mr. Ecret moved that the first reading of the ordinance be adopted and a public hearing be set for August 12, seconded by Mr. Voth, and passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION - BUILD ON UNPLATTED PROPERTY - MOSES LAKE VET CLINIC

A resolution was presented which allows Sreerama Properties to construct an addition to the Moses Lake Veterinary Clinic located on unplatted property at 3918 E. Broadway with the stipulation that the property be platted within one year.

The resolution allowing Sreerama Properties LLC to build on unplatted property was read by title only.

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

RESOLUTION - BUILD ON UNPLATTED PROPERTY - MOSES LAKE INDUSTRIES

A resolution was presented which allows Moses Lake Industries to place a manufactured office on unplatted property.

The resolution allowing Moses Lake Industries to build on unplatted property was read by title only.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, stated that Moses Lake Industries has previously been granted permission to build on unplatted property and are now in the process of platting the property.

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

RESOLUTION - ACCEPT DONATION - COVENANT CHURCH

A resolution was presented which accepts a donation of \$157 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 \$157 from the Moses Lake Covenant Church was read by title only.

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

REQUEST TO CALL FOR BIDS - NoneREFERRALS FROM COMMISSIONS - NoneOTHER ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATIONPLATTING DEEMED INSUFFICIENT - 1070 W. BROADWAY

Mike, Harper, L & M Construction, submitted a building permit application for Lot 12, Lewis Elliot Addition, located at 1070 W. Broadway, which is a legally platted parcel.

Gilbert Alvarado, Community Development Director, mentioned that property platted years ago was not required to install municipal improvements that are now required with current plats and if the Council approves a waiver or deferral of those requirements, a covenant for future improvements will be required.

Action Taken: Mrs. Liebrecht moved that the deferral of the required improvements be granted with the stipulation that a covenant be required for the improvements in the future, seconded by Mr. Ecret, and passed unanimously.

REQUEST TO USE CITY PROPERTY - NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Police Department requested the closure of Third Avenue and Beech Street on August 5 from 6 to 9 p.m. in honor of National Night Out, which is an event designed to heighten awareness of crime prevention and to generate community support and participation in local anti-crime programs.

Dave Ruffin, Police Chief, stated that the event has been very successful and additional area is needed to accommodate the activities.

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

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

2014 STEEL WATER MAIN REPAIR PROJECT - NIGHT WORK

POW Contracting requested permission to work between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. on the Steel Water Main Repair Project. The work will be performed on East Broadway from Stratford Road to Block Street, Stratford at the SR-17 interchange, the Fifth Avenue and Alder Street intersection, and Fifth Avenue from Pioneer Way to Block Street. There are no residential homes in these areas.

It was the consensus of the Council to amend the ordinance to allow staff to grant permission to work at night in commercial and industrial areas.

Action Taken: Mr. Lane moved that permission be granted for the night work, seconded by Mr. Avila, and passed unanimously.

LONGVIEW TRACTS

Joaquin Oronia, on behalf of Herc Oronia, owner of property in Longview Tracts, requested additional time to connect the properties to city sewer.

Joseph K. Gavinski, City Manager, stated that the Council had directed staff to initiate enforcement action on those lots that have not yet connected to the City sewer previously installed in Longview Tracts. After the property owners were provided with the enforcement action, Mr. Oronia requested additional time to correct the situation.

Mr. Oronia stated that there are 10 properties that need to be connected and he requested a five month extension. He mentioned that nine of the properties will not be difficult but the 10th will require digging across the street.

There was some discussion by the Council.

Action Taken: Mr. Lane moved that Mr. Oronia be given until January 1 to connect the nine properties to city sewer, seconded by Dr. Curnel.

Mr. Ecret felt that two months should be sufficient time, especially since this has been an on-going issue for a long time.

The motion passed with Mr. Ecret opposed.

COUNCIL QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - None

CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

CENSUS

The population estimates from the Office of Financial Management were provided and showed that the City's official population for 2014 is 21,600.

AUDIT

Joseph K. Gavinski, City Manager, stated that an exit conference was held with the state auditors for the 2013 financial audit and the auditors had no findings.

GAMBLING TAX

The City received \$79,3868.02 from gambling tax for the second quarter.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST

Dick Deane, Mayor

W. Robert Taylor, Finance Director