

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
June 14, 2011

Mayor Gerald Sands called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:** Council members: Willie Bott, Birdie Hensley, John Nordine and Bob Rupe

**Excused:** Mark Borden

**Unexcused:** None

**Also Present:** Jacqueline Perman/City Clerk, Roger Lucas/The Star, Officer Holland/GCPD, and Carol Rupe

**May 24, 2011 Council Minutes:**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the May 24, 2011, minutes as written.

m/s (Rupe/Hensley) CU

**Public Discussion:**

There was no public discussion.

**Police Report:**

Officer Holland said they had a busy month that included six speeding tickets, three animal calls, three burglar calls, three traffic hazards, six domestic violence complaints, and five theft complaints.

**DOH Letter dated 06/09/2011:**

Mayor Sands explained there have been inquiries whether the City has looked into receiving a waiver from the arsenic rule. We asked DOH to send the city a letter to distribute to the council and other interested individuals explaining whether a waiver could be granted to Electric City. They stated in the letter, "All water systems regulated by the Department of Health are subject to the arsenic rules and no waivers have been or will be granted for the arsenic MCL." We sent a copy of the letter to Grand Coulee asking the office to distribute it to their council members.

**Ordinance Creating a new Chapter 18.75 Entitled "Manufactured and Mobile Home Parks":**

Council member Bott said he did not notice any changes from the last time the ordinance was presented to the council. Clerk Perman said the council directed her to write a letter to the Planning Commission asking four questions. 1.) 18.75.050.D. Occupancy of Recreational Vehicles 2.) 18.75.050. J. Placement of Mobile Homes 3.) 18.75.050. A. 2 Set backs form a public right of way. 4.) 18.75.050.A.5 Open stairs encroachment. The Planning Commission had no further changes to make and asked the clerk to put the ordinance as is before the council again. The January 4<sup>th</sup> 2011, letter from the Planning Commission said that all questions need to be in writing by the council member. This way there will be a record of the council's desires that can be submitted to new members of the commission and council to help bring new members up to speed more quickly. Mayor Sands explained the set back from the public right of way is the same as the requirement in the Recreational Vehicle Park Ordinance the council passed a few months back. Council member Rupe drew attention to 18.75.140.B. where it says "a ratio of not less than 50 parking spaces for each manufactured home space." Clerk Perman said it looks like a typo. Mayor Sands suggested that we just move on to the next item.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Council member Hensley asked if we were going to put the code book on the web site or if we will have a link to Code Publishing. The subject of which way we will go having the codes on line has not been reviewed. Clerk Perman said we received the proposed changes for the codification and the office is reviewing them.
- Mayor Sands was informed at the Mayor's meeting that Grand Coulee will be ready to turn the Transfer Station over to Electric City on December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year.
- Mayor Sands said we are moving forward on the private drive entering the highway across Coulee Playland. The owner will need to change the approach by getting approval through the state or the city will close it off and dig drainage.

- Clerk Perman said we will order the toilet leak detection kits in another year or two. We do not need to meet that requirement for a few more years.
- Council member Bott asked where we are at with the Cross Connection Program. Mayor Sands said we are taking out the paragraph where the residents will not have to install the back flow device but will have to sign a letter saying they will not cross connect under penalty of law. The Water Committee is not bringing it down to bare standards just changing the part that affects Sunset Tracts.
- Mayor Sands said we are once again trying to coordinate a meeting with Grand Coulee to discuss the water intertie and the arsenic treatment plant costs.
- iMadMedia inquired if Electric City would be interested in paying \$350.00 to \$500.00 to produce a video and have it promoted on the internet. It would be linked to DoOceanShores website and be called DoGrandCoulee. There will be ten videos published on this site. Mayor Sands thought that this site seems to be geared to businesses. No decision was made.
- Council member Hensley suggested inserting a memo on the water bill about the web site and contacting the Chamber to get a link to their web site.
- Mayor Sands said the logo is coming along and is still being worked on. The new logo has to be passed by the council.
- Mayor Sands asked for permission to sign The Contract for Operation and Maintenance of North Dam Park as a Tourism Related Facility. Council member Bott asked what would happen if the auditors decided it was not a tourism related facility and we paid CAPRD the money. Clerk Perman said an e-mail that answered that question was given to the council which said we may or may not have to divert funds from our General Fund to replenish the funds used from the Hotel/Motel Fund. Motion was made and seconded for Mayor Sands to sign the contract.  
m/s (Hensley/Nordine) CU
- Council member Hensley asked if we are any closer to deciding on the Employee Health Benefits Package. Clerk Perman said she has not even looked at them.
- The council directed the clerk to present a resolution to surplus the old fire brush truck and the roller.
- Council member Hensley asked for the council to receive a copy of the Veterinary Contract next council meeting.

**Reports/Misc:**

- There will be a memorial for Jim Whitaker Saturday, June 18, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Ephrata Recreation Center.
- The annual report was completed, reviewed by John Nordine, and submitted to the State Auditors Office on May 31, 2011. Council members were encouraged to come in and review the report.
- Mayor Sands gave a short review of the mayor's meeting. The cities will continue to put \$15,000.00 into the Post Closure Fund. It will cost approximately \$33,000.00 a year to continue to monitor the landfill for at least thirty years or maybe more.

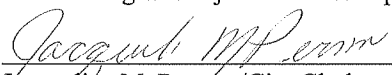
**Voucher Approval:**

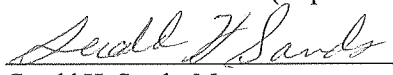
Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for following vouchers:

- Claims and EFT in the amount of \$51,399.25 and Payroll EFT in the amount of \$5,548.56 dated 06/01/11-06/14/11
- Payroll Claims #13568-#13584 in the amount of \$27,219.47 dated 05/31/11  
m/s (Hensley/Rupe) CU

**Adjourn:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

  
Jacqueline M. Perman/City Clerk

m/s (Rupe/Nordine)CU  
  
Gerald H. Sands, Mayor