

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 25, 2012

The September 25, 2012, Electric City Council meeting was called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Gerald H. Sands.

Present by Roll Call: Council members Lonna Bussert, Marie Chuinard, John Nordine, and Bob Rupe.
Absent: None

Staff members present: Jacqueline M. Perman, City Clerk/Treasurer, Kenneth Dexter/Public Works Director

Mayor Sands asked the council if they would like to seat the applicant, Bradley Parrish, as the new council member in position # 4. Mr. Parrish was the only applicant to submit a letter of interest. Council member Nordine made a motion to have Bradley Parrish sworn in as council member position #4 tonight and Council member Chuinard seconded the motion. Mayor Sands led Mr. Parrish in his oath of office.

m/s (Nordine/Chuinard)CU

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Motion was made and seconded to approve the September 25, 2012, as written.

m/s (Nordine/Bussert)CU

Public Comments:

- **Jeremy Miller/56 Sunset Drive:** Addressed the council asking them to consider the allowing of urban chickens. He received a letter from the code compliance officer stating his chickens are unlawful within city limits. He asked the council to look up urdanchicken.org to understand this subject better. He also gave the council members an example of the Ephrata municipal code regarding urban chickens and encouraged the council to consider changing the code to allow for urban chickens.
- **Paul Carlson/103 Palmer Avenue:** Addressed the council regarding the noise ordinance. He asked the council to remember Sunbanks Resort has two very large and popular Blue Festivals that have music after 10:00 pm. He encouraged those few residents that are having trouble with the noise to use ear plugs. He also stated that this employs artists and gives extra employment to others. He asked the council to please reconsider the recommendation to stop the live music after 10:00 pm at Electric City Tavern.

Ordinance No. -2012: Establishing a Transportation Benefit District:

Mayor Sands suggested the council table this until next council meeting so the council members can reflect on statements made during the public meeting. Council meeting Rupe motioned to table this ordinance until the October 9th council meeting.

Arsenic Treatment Plant Change Order No. 3:

Council member Nordine asked why we are changing the landscaping from hydro-seeding to gravel. Mayor Sands explained the seeding would have a higher maintenance cost through the years and it would be hard for the crew to mow inside the fence line. Motion was made and seconded to approve the change order in the amount of \$10,520.28.

m/s (Nordine/Chuinard)CU

Unfinished Business:

- **Noise Ordinance Discussion/Special Use Permit:** Clerk Perman said there is a possibility to issue Special Use Permits to allow for entertainment and music beyond the municipal code standard times and noise levels especially for festivals. The permits would be reviewed by the Planning Commission and a recommendation forwarded to the council. Mayor Sands said this can go before the planning committee for their input. Council member Rupe tabled this with no further instructions to the city clerk.

Reports:

- **Mayor Sands:** No report
- **Council member Rupe:** He is happy to be back representing our area with the Grant County GTA board. He also told Mr. Miller he has had no problems with urban chickens. He is the back door neighbor to Mr. Miller and he has not been bothered and in fact was not aware of them.
- **Council member Bussert:** No report
- **Council member Chuinard:** Ms. Chuinard reported that during the Health District meeting it was mentioned they would like the cities to encourage teenagers, both female and male, to receive the S.T.D. shots. At this time they do not have clinics to receive free shots. You can read more on the Grant County Health District Web Page.
- **Council member Parrish:** He was not aware of any problems regarding urban chickens while living in Seattle and in fact his neighbors had them.
- **Council member Nordine:** No report
- **Public Works Director:** Reported most of the work relating to the TIB Grant is completed.
- **Clerk/Treasurer:** 1) Gave the council the Preliminary Budget Information. 2) Jeff Ketchel from Grant County Department of Health will give an update for this past year at the scheduled council meeting on November 13.

Voucher Approval:

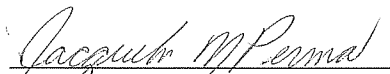
Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for the following.

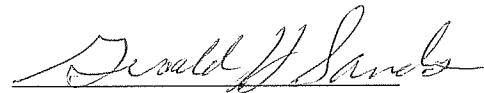
- EFT's dated 9/21/2012 and 9/25/2012 for a total of \$7,461.66
- Claims #9403-#9414 dated 09/25/2012 for a total of \$23,299.06

m/s (Bussert/Chuinard) CU

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.


Jacqueline M. Perman, City Clerk


Gerald H. Sands, Mayor