

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2013

The October 8, 2013 Electric City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gerald Sands

Present by Roll Call: Council Members Lonna Bussert, Marie Chuinard, John Nordine, Brad Parrish and Bob Rupe

Staff members present: City Clerk/Treasurer Jacqueline M. Perman, PWD/Kenneth Dexter, and GCPD Sergeant John Tufts

September 10, 2013 Council Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the September 10, 2013 minutes as written.

m/s (Bussert/Chuinard)CU

Police Report:

Sergeant John Tufts reported on incidents within the city.

Public Comments:

- Mark Payne/ 1 Washington Place introduced himself as the new Fire Chief. Chief Miley resigned on September 25th and the mayor installed Mark as the new fire chief. They now have twenty-three volunteer firemen. He encouraged the council members to call him if they have any questions.
- Mike Dennis/11 Grand Avenue East asked when the accessory building ordinance will be discussed and passed. Clerk Perman said the proposed changes are before the city planner to write a statement as how the proposed amendment is in compliance with the comprehensive plan. She also reminded him that the proposed amendment must be in compliance with the present city codes. We are waiting to receive the report.
- Steve Salstrom/2 Grand Avenue East would like to readdress the problem of vehicles speeding and not heeding the pedestrians crossing on the crosswalk in front of the post office. He would like the council to reinforce the issue with the police department.

Resolution 2013-07/Interlocal Agreement Authorizing Participation in the Self Insured Health Care Program with AWC:

On August 26, 2013, the State Risk Manager approved the AWC Trust's application to self-insure the medical plans through Group Health and Regence Blue Shield, the Vision Service Plan, and Washington Dental Service plan effective January 1, 2014. Self insurance allows the Trust to eliminate several taxes mandatory for fully insured plans thus saving potential costs to members. In order for the Trust to meet the state deadlines, we must provide the adopted resolution and the Interlocal agreement no later than November 15, 2013. Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 2013-07 as written and to authorize the mayor to sign the interlocal agreement as written.

m/s (Bussert/Parrish)CU

Arsenic Treatment Facility:

Ken Dexter said they have been fine tuning the telemetry regarding the arsenic treatment facility and he is now satisfied with the program. He recommended approving the facility as completed. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Arsenic Treatment Facility as complete.

m/s (Nordine/Parrish)CU

Grand Coulee Dam Senior Meal Program:

The council asked the clerk to draw up a resolution and an agreement saying the city will give \$2,000.00 to the Grand Coulee Dam Area Seniors, Inc. for senior and disabled recreational and meal services.

Resolution No. 2013-08/ To Increase Property Tax Revenue:

Council member Parrish made a motion and Bussert seconded to approve Resolution 2013-08 to increase property tax revenue by 1%.

In favor: Parrish, Bussert, Chuinard, and Nordine. Opposed: Rupe. Motion carried.

City Hall Carpet Purchase:

Clerk Perman asked the council for permission to buy flooring for the council room, public bathroom, and the public works office. The estimated amount will be \$4,571.65. There was \$7,000.00 budgeted in the current year for a remodel of the front of City Hall that did not happen because of time factor for the public works crew. She asked if that money could be used for a much needed replacement of flooring that is over twenty years old. The remodel of the front of City Hall would be in the budget again in 2014. The carpet samples were displayed before the council and the merits of carpet verses carpet squares were discussed. The council by full consensus agreed for the flooring to be installed this year with the front offices to be included in the budget for 2014.

Budget Schedule & Current Expense Budget:

The following will be the budget schedule for 2013:

October 22, 2013, 6:00 p.m. Preliminary Budget Workshop

November 12, 2013: Preliminary Budget Workshop for TBD after the regular scheduled council meeting.

November 19, 2013 6:00 p.m. Budget Workshop

December 10, 2013 5:45 Public Hearing 2014 Budget and adoption of Budget

December 10, 2013 TBD Public Hearing and Budget Adoption on 2014 Budget after the regular scheduled council meeting.

SCJ Alliance/Shoreline Master Program Invoice Approval:

Motion was made and seconded to forward Invoice No. 44875 in the amount of \$95.00 to Grant County Planning for payment. m/s (Bussert/Parrish)CU

Reports/Miscellaneous:

- **Mayor Sands:** No report
- **Council member Bussert:** No report
- **Council member Chuinard:** She will be attending the Grant County Health Board meeting tomorrow night, October 11, 2013.
- **Council member Nordine:** No report
- **Council member Rupe:** Wanted to know if the employees can have their paychecks direct deposited into the bank. Jackie said yes but no one has asked for the service.
- **Council member Parrish:** Attended the Wastewater Treatment meeting at Grand Coulee. The 2014 budget was discussed.
- **Public Works Director:** No report
- **City Clerk:** The State Auditor will have an exit meeting on October 22, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. The council members will be receiving a letter in the mail soon. Council member Bob Rupe and Lonna Bussert would like to attend. Jefferson Ketchel, from the Grant County Health District will be here on November 12 to speak to the council about recent developments.

Voucher Approval:

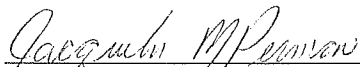
Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for the following:

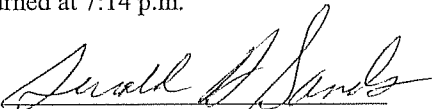
- Warrants #10081- #10101, dated 9/12/13-09/30/2013 for a total of \$23,948.21
- EFT's and Warrants #10102 - #10133 dated 10/08/2013 for a total of \$51,698.10

m/s (Nordine/Chuinard)CU

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.


Jacqueline M. Perman, City Clerk


Gerald H. Sands, Mayor