

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 14, 2014

The October 14, 2014 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, Aaron Derr, John Nordine, and Brad Parrish

Staff members present: Clerk/Treasurer/Jacqueline Perman and GCPD Sargent John Tufts, Public Works Director/ Ken Dexter

September 9, 2014 Council Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the September 9, 2014 council minutes as written.

m/s (Bussert/Chuinard)CU

Police Report:

Sargent Tufts reported the incidents within the city this past month.

Public Comments:

- Ray Wells: He and Carl Russell has a petition signed by 1,100 people in the Grand Coulee Dam Area asking for better traffic control at the intersection of Highway 155 and 174. While there has not been a fatal accident, there has been numerous accidents and near misses. They have contacted Department of Transportation and Senator Palette to ask for help. The improvements made in 2011 did help but it is not enough. They fear there will be a fatal accident and do not want it to happen. They have asked Grand Coulee, Coulee Dam and Elmer City to write a letter of support and he asked if Electric City would write a letter. Motion was made and seconded to have the clerk write a letter of support.
m/s (Derr/Nordine) CU
- Willie Bott: Thanked Ken Dexter for arriving at his home to help with a problem when he could not get anyone else to help.

Ordinance No. 484-2014 Adopting Shoreline Master Program:

Perman informed the council that the Planning Commission changed the wording at 16.20.260.G.1 as follows, "Existing improved and primitive trails may shall be maintained and enhanced." The council directed the clerk to have the original writing be reinserted. They want it to read "shall be". Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 484-2014 with the above change in the Shoreline Master Program.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)CU

Sewer Disconnection/2 Jackson Avenue:

The house has been demolished and the property is now a non-conforming lot. Motion was made and seconded to approve the sewer disconnect on 2 Jackson.

m/s (Bussert/Parrish)CU

Resolution No. 2014-17/Increase Property Tax Revenue:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2014-17 as written.

m/s (Parrish/Bussert)CU

New City Logo:

The council reviewed two styles of the logo. One was an enclosed style and the other was opened. While Council member Bussert and Parrish liked the open style others thought it would be best to go with the closed style. They asked if the two logos could be presented with other colors. They would also like to have the words established 1950 on the open style. Mayor Sands mentioned that maybe we could go with both and use the open style on stationary and documents and the closed would be used on the equipment.

Steve Salstom, audience, said the city should make sure that the colors are done in the CYMK colors otherwise they will not print the same.

Resolution No. 2014-18/Repealing Policy 2010-03 Titled “Water System Utility Tax Recovery to General Fund”:

Jackie said this is a house cleaning item. In the past the utility fund used to tax the utility and since then it has been determined that only the General Fund has the ability to tax and as such the General Fund can only receive the tax. To date all taxes are deposited into the General Fund. Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2014-18 as written.

m/s (Derr/Chuinard)CU

Ordinance No. 485-2014/Setting Salaries and Wages for Employees of the City:

Mayor Sands reported that the CPI Index for July was 1.9% and as it was agreed that the employees would receive the same this ordinance reflects that. Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 485-2014 as written.

m/s (Nordine/Parrish)CU

Hotel/Motel Committee’s Recommendations:

They were unable to meet but will have the recommendation ready for the November 11th meeting.

Noise Ordinance Revision:

Jackie reported that there were misunderstandings regarding what the council wanted. Different council members came in the office and they heard 1) Time was to be lifted throughout all zones to midnight 2) Time was to be lifted to midnight in only the Business District 3) Time was to be lifted to midnight only for the Tavern’s, and Campgrounds/Resorts. For this reason she wanted a clearer understanding of what they want.

After further discussion a motion was made and seconded to keep the noise ordinance the same.

m/s (Chuinard/Derr)CU

Grant County Health District Agreement:

Motion was made and seconded to enter into the agreement and to pay the District \$2,000.00 for 2015 services.

m/s (Derr/Nordine)CU

Reports:

- **Mayor Sands:** No report
- **Council member Bussert:** The park committee is still waiting for a date to meet with the Bible Church
- **Council member Chuinard:** Reported that vaccinations for children are increasing in Grant County. There was a case of West Nile Disease reported in Moses Lake.
- **Council member Nordine:** Reported he will be absent for the October 28 budget meeting.
- **Council member Derr:** Aaron is going to schedule a meeting with the Grand Coulee Council members to ask for a proposal for the police contract in the amount of \$115,000.
- **Council member Parrish:** Reported GTA purchased the property from the old Presbyterian Church. They will construct a central hub where all buses will merge. Greyhound and Trail ways Bus Lines are also thinking of using it.
- **Public Works Director:** Reported the ATP Sludge Building is working “fairly well”. Sunbanks’ water line is progressing.
- **City Clerk:** The intertie agreements are moving forward. Sunbanks Resort has received their first draft and Grand Coulee was just mailed another updated draft.

Voucher Approval:

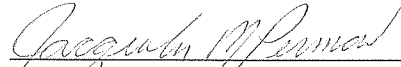
Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for the following:

- Warrants #10693-#10707 dated 9/24/2014-09/30/2014 for a total of \$22,780.84
- EFT’s and Warrants #10708-#10745 dated 10/2/2014-10/14/2014 for a total of \$59,113.63

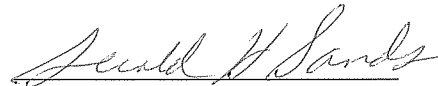
m/s (Nordine/Chuinard)CU

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.



Jacqueline M. Perman, City Clerk



Gerald H. Sands, Mayor