CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2015

The March 10, 2015 Electric City Council meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem John T. Nordine II

Present by Roll Call: Council Members Aaron Derr, Lonna Bussert, and Brad Parrish

Staff members present: Clerk/Treasurer/Jacqueline Perman, PWD/Kenneth Dexter, Attorney Katherine Kenison/LAW, Kurt Danison/Highlands Associates, and GCPD Chief John Tufts

Motion to Excuse: Motion was made and seconded to excuse Council member Marie Chuinard.

m/s (Derr/ Bussert)CU

Motion for New Mayor:

Motion was made and seconded to approve John T. Nordine as Mayor. Attorney Katherine Kenison swore Council member Nordine in as Mayor.

m/s (Derr/ Parrish)CU

February 10, 2015 Council Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the February 10, 2015 minutes as written with the following strike out. Under Planning Commission Recommendation on ECMC Chapter 18: "Ray Clover/Planning Commission said he has no objection to the accessory buildings being unlimited in size."

m/s (Derr/ Parrish)CU

Police Report:

Chief John Tufts reported on incidents within the city. He also said the new Drug Receptacle is installed in the entrance to the police station for citizens to take their unused drugs. If there is a police car in the parking lot the police station is open.

Executive Session:

Motion was made and seconded to go into executive session for ten minutes to discuss the Performance of Public Officials. The council members, mayor and attorney left at 6:17 p.m. and returned at 6:27 p.m.

Public Comments:

- Mark Payne/1 Washington Place: At the last months' meeting he was under the impression that there were three options to be made in regards to the update of ECMC Chapter 18. He feels City Hall stifled the process for another month. He stated that the Planning Commission quit because they felt the council did not 'get it'. He would also like to be appointed to the Planning Commission.
- *Mike Dennis/118 Lincoln Ave:* He feels the same way as Mark Payne except he does not want to be on the Planning Commission. He also feels the council minutes are not true.

Grant County Economic Development Council/Jonathan Smith:

Johnathan gave a review of the services the GCEDC gives to the cities. He was here for a meeting earlier regarding support on the pathway/trail that Electric City which would/could help Electric City grow economically.

Department of Health/Jeff Ketchel:

Jeff Kethel stated the 2015 Grant County Community Health Assessment is now available on their web site. He also said there have been 10 reported cases of Pertussis in Grant County.

Thersea Atkinson gave a report of the meeting regarding the path/trail. She suggested the city develop a complete street ordinance which will make us available for funding at the state level. She gave an example of Soap Lake and suggested the city contact them regarding their process.

Resolution No. 2015-01/Economic Development Council Agreement:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 2015-01 as written.

m/s (Parrish/Derr)CU

Pathway/Trail Recommendation:

Council member Parrish gave a further report. The different agencies in attendance gave the committee suggestions and contacts. The trail will be developed in stages with the first stage from North Dam Park to Coulee Playland. At this time we do not know what the investment of the city will be as it will depend on grants. If tied into Sunbanks Resort and Coulee Playland we should be able to use Hotel/Motel Tax money. The other council members were in agreement to move forward with this.

ECMC Chapter 18 Amendment:

Kurt Danison led a discussion. A motion was made and seconded to add the language to say, "All accessory structures must meet the current building code adopted by the City" and to move it forward to the sixty day review process.

m/s (Parrish/Derr)CU

Resolution No. 2015-02/Annual Payment Fire District 14:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2015-02 as written.

m/s (Derr/Parrish)CU

Policy/Lodging Tax Revenues:

A discussion ensued. No action was taken. Council member Derr asked would like LTAC committee be put on the April agenda.

Council Member:

Motion was made and seconded for the Clerk to advertise for the position in the newspaper with a submittal date of April 3, 2015.

m/s (/Bussert/Parrish)CU

Reports/Miscellaneous:

- Mayor Nordine: He asked Jerry Sands if he would continue on with the water committee until the intertie contract is completed. Jerry said he would.
- **Council member Bussert**: The city is still waiting for a response from Banks Lake Church. The playground equipment from the school district passed the insurance inspection.
- Council member Chuinard: Not in attendance
- Council member Derr: Reported the police committees are going to meet on March 11th.
- Council member Parrish: Asked if we mail thank you letters to the planning commissioners. Clerk replied we do and she has been waiting until there was a mayor to sign them.
- Public Works Director: Reported they are still pumping out sludge so the treatment plant is down.
- City Clerk: Directed the council to the letter on the table from AWC regarding Board of Directors Recruitment.

Voucher Approval:

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

- Warrants #10954 #10972 dated 02/12/2015-02-27/2015 for a total of \$25,650.35
- EFT's and Warrants #10973 #11005, dated 3/02/2015-3/10/2015 for a total of \$60,871.48

m/s (Bussert/Derr)CU

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Jacqueline M. Perman, City Clerk

John T. Nordine II, Mayor

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