

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 9, 2015

The June 9, 2015 Electric City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor John T. Nordine II

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

Staff members present: City Clerk Jacqueline M. Perman, PWD Kenneth Dexter and GCPD Chief John Tufts, City Attorney Anna Franz

Mayor Nordine added the following items to the agenda:

- Resolution establishing permit fees
- Ordinance No. 497 Establishing a Six-Month Moratorium
- Council Retreat

May 12, 2015 Council Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the May 12, 2015 minutes as written.

m/s (Derr/McGuire)CU

June 2, 2015 Public Hearing Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the June 2, 2015 minutes as written.

m/s (Bussert/Derr)CU

Police Report:

Chief John Tufts reported on incidents within the city.

Public Comments:

- *Debbie Starkey/Grand Coulee Business Owner:* Spoke regarding the Hotel/Motel Tax. She hopes the council will allocate extra funds to the chamber.
- *Peggy Nevsimal/Chamber of Commerce Director:* Would like allocation of \$10,000 of Hotel/Motel Funds which they submitted to the council back in February.
- *Kerry Higgins/Chamber of Commerce:* Feels the Chamber of Commerce is not getting the response for extra funds and he feels very frustrated.
- *Mark Payne:* Asked the council to pass the accessory ordinance tonight. He also would like to see the wording changed in 18.40.020.5.A.3 to read 'similar' in the exterior finish of primary structure or else totally deleted.
- *Mike Dennis:* Would like to know who has the authority to decide what is similar and what is not.

Council member Bussert made a motion to add the Chamber of Commerce to the agenda. Motion died for lack of a second.

Council Member Position #3:

Motion was made and seconded to appoint Carol Nordine as council member Position 3. Council members McGuire and Bussert voted no and council members Derr and Parrish voted yes. Mayor Nordine broke the tie by voting yes. Motion passed.

Marijuana Moratorium Discussion:

The history of the Initiative 692 was explained and the need for one more moratorium in able to finish up the zoning. Public Hearing will be schedule for July 14th at 5:30 p.m. Motion was made and seconded to pass Ordinance No. 497/Moratorium on marijuana production, processing, retail sales and medical marijuana production processing cultivation, storage sale, delivery, exchange or bartering, including collective gardens.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)CU

Hotel/Motel Committee Discussion:

Council members McGuire and Parrish came to the decision not to give any extra money to the Chamber of Commerce based on the City's policy and ordinance and reviewing the state law. In September they will listen to the Chamber and watch Ms. Nevsimal's power point for 2016 monies. Motion was made and seconded to grandfather the Chamber in since they submitted for the \$10,000 in February before the new policy came into effect.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)CU

Motion was made and seconded to approve the application for \$10,000 to the Chamber of Commerce.

m/s (Bussert/McGuire)CU

Police Contract Update:

Council members McGuire and Derr are recommending to move forward with the proposal from Coulee Dam. The jailing fees will be deleted from Coulee's Dam's proposal since Grant County collect their fee's from the 1/10 of 1% of property tax. Motion was made and seconded to accept the proposal and move forward with the Coulee Dam contract.

m/s (McGuire/Derr)CU

Resolution No 2015-12/Interlocal Agreement with City of Tacoma:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2015-12 as written.

m/s (Derr/McGuire)CU

Ordinance No. 492-2015/Chapter 2.30 Planning Agency:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 492-2015 as written.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)CU

Approval of Review of ECMC Chapter 18:

Clerk Perman reminded the council that we will be working on the Capital Facility Plan in addition to this review. Motion was made and seconded to approve the review of ECMC Chapter 18.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)CU

Ordinance No. 493-2015/ Amending Chapter 18.05 titled "General Provisions":

Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 493-2015 as written.

m/s (Derr/Parrish)CU

Ordinance No. 494-2015/ Amending Chapter 18.45 titled "General Regulations":

Council member Derr made a motion to change the minimum side and rear setback for accessory structures to one foot for each foot over 18 feet in height. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance 494-2015 as written.

m/s (McGuire/Bussert)CU

Ordinance No. 495-2015/Amending Chapter 18.40 titled "General Use Regulations":

Motion was made and seconded to approve 495-2015 with the amended change to 18.40.020.5.A.3 to read, "The exterior finish material must be the same or visually similar to the exterior finish of the primary structure. The Intent is for them to look similar, but not necessarily identical."

m/s (Derr/McGuire)CU

Resolution No. 2015-13/Establishing Permit Fees:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 2015-13 as written.

m/s (Derr/Parrish)CU

Ordinance No 496-2015/ Wheeled All-Terrain Vehicles:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 496-2015 as written.

m/s (Derr/Parrish)CU

Golf Cart Ordinance /Discussion:

Discussion ensued and changes made. The new Ordinance will be on the July 14th agenda.

Council Retreat:

The Clerk was directed to schedule a retreat in January or February 2016. They would like the retreat to be on a Friday and held in Ephrata at the Public Works Building.

Reports/Miscellaneous:

- **Mayor Nordine:** Reported the Regional Board of Mayors is looking into recycling bins.
- **Council member Bussert:** No report
- **Council member Derr:** No Report
- **Council member Parrish:** Would like the Compliance Officer to give a quarterly report to the council.

The Grant County Transit Authority has received notification that they will receive two grants from DOT. One is an operating grant and the other is capital purchase grant for two buses. They have also applied for a regional mobility grant. He asked for an alternative for the Grant Transit Board and council member McGuire volunteered.

- **Public Works Director:** Has been working on the Washington Surveying & Rating Bureau report that evaluates the fire defenses of Electric City and rates the city as to insurance.
- **City Clerk:** Reported the Annual Report for the city and TBD was submitted in time. They each have a copy of the Financials on the table. She gave thanks to council member Bussert who spent many hours reviewing the reports. She encouraged the council members to come in the office and review the full annual report at their leisure.

The Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan Public Hearing will be held on July 14th at 5:30 p.m. Although we are approving the plan late this year it will not have any bearing on our rating because we do not have nor are planning on submitting funding for Federal Loans.

She also handed out a draft ordinance regarding Street naming for review and discussion next council meeting.

Reported that the office has still not received the fire department’s inventory after six months and being asked numerous times.

Since council member Chuinard has resigned due to medical reasons we will need to fill in the Health Board Representative position.

Swearing in New Council Member:

Mayor Nordine swore in Gladys Carol Nordine to council position #3. She will be filling in as the Grant County Health Board Representative with council member Derr as alternate.

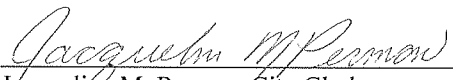
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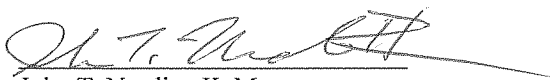
Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for the following:

- Warrants #11111 - #11124 dated 05/28/2015-05/29/2015 for a total of \$19,528.20.
- EFT’s and Warrants #11125 - #11156, dated 6/01/2015-6/09/2015 for a total of \$60,511.70.
m/s (Parrish/Derr)CU

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.


Jacqueliné M. Perman, City Clerk


John T. Nordine II, Mayor