

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
August 14, 2018

The August 14, 2018 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, Rich McGuire, Roberta Hensley, and Lonna Bussert.

**Staff members present:** Russ Powers City Clerk/Treasurer, Chief Tufts/Grand Coulee Police, Mark Payne Fire Chief, Joshua Reeder Fire Captain

**Motion to Excuse:** A motion was made and seconded to excuse Council Members Aaron Derr and Carol Nordine.

m/s(McGuire/Bussert) CU

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda.

m/s (Hensley/Bussert) CU

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda.

- July 10, 2018 Minutes
- Expenditures:  
EFT's and Checks #12996 - #13009 dated 7/11/2018 – 7/31/2018 for a total of \$21,184.82  
EFT's and Checks #13010 - #13043 dated 8/1/2018 – 8/14/2018 for a total of \$71,690.60

m/s (Hensley/Bussert) CU

**POLICE REPORTS:**

- Police Chief John Tufts reported on incidents within the city. Chief Tufts reported that they had hired 2 lateral officers. One from Yakima and one from Coulee Dam. He reported that the fire evacuation level will drop to zero on 8/15/2018.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** NONE

**COUNCIL AGENDA:**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **Ordinance 532-2018 Charter Franchise Agreement**  
Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance 532-2018 Charter Franchise Agreement  
m/s (McGuire/Bussert) CU
- **City Beautification Committee**  
A motion was made and seconded to table the discussion about a city beautification committee until the remaining members of the council could be in attendance  
m/s (Bussert/McGuire) CU

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Resolution 2018-13 BLM Reciprocal Fire Protection Agreement**

Fire Chief Mark Payne explained the agreement to the council. He stated that 90% our Fire District is BLM or Bureau managed lands, and the agreement will give the city the ability to turn fires over to the BLM more quickly. He stated that he would be contacting the BLM first thing if a fire broke out on adjacent land, so that they could be ready for a quicker response from the BLM.

- **Neether Sewer Disconnection**

Larry and Edith Neether made an application to disconnect a sewer on their adjacent lot that had been combined with a lot line elimination. A motion was made and seconded to allow Mr. and Mrs. Neether to disconnect their sewer.

m/s (McGuire/Bussert) CU

- **Resolution 2018-14 Official Newspaper**

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Star Newspapers bid for the city's official newspaper.

m/s (Bussert/McGuire) CU

**REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS:**

- **Mayor Nordine:** Notified the Council that he had received the food inspection reports from Grant County Health District if anyone wanted to view them.
- **Council member Hensley:** None
- **Council member McGuire:** None
- **Council member Bussert:** None
- **City Clerk /Treasurer:** Clerk Powers reported that he was attending the RCO presentation in Olympia on Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the city has hired 2 new employees to fill vacant positions and that he would like to transfer \$500,000 from the city's checking account into the LGIP in order to collect interest. He asked the council what day might be the best to hold the next public workshop in regards to the comprehensive plan. The council recommended September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. He read a report from Councilmember Nordine from the Grant County Health District Meeting.
- **Joshua Reeder Fire Captain:** Joshua reported on the Grass Valley Fire. He stated that the city had all 3 brush trucks on the fire, the Fire Districts tender was manned and taken out of the fire hall and 2 structure trucks were on standby at North Dam. He stated that there were no injuries reported from local departments but there is still lots of foot crews and dozers on the fire. He stated that the fire was likely started from a farmer that was bailing hay.

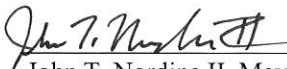
The council thanked and commended the Fire Department for their efforts on the fire.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the regular meeting 6:49 p.m.

m/s(Bussert/McGuire) CU

  
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Russell Powers, City Clerk / Treasurer

  
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John T. Nordine II, Mayor