

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2016

The January 12, 2016 Electric City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor John T. Nordine

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

Motion to Excuse: None

Staff members present: City Clerk Jaqueline M. Perman, PWD Ken Dexter and GCPD Sargent Gary Moore

December 8, 2015 Council Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the December 8, 2015 minutes with the change of adding January to comment made by Council member Parrish in Reports/Miscellaneous.

m/s (McGuire/Derr)CU

Police Report:

Sargent Gary Moore reported on incidents within the city.

Public Comments:

- *Kerry Higgin/45 Diamond:* Spoke to the council regarding the resolution to reserve Hotel/Motel money for the Recreational Trail. He feels it is not an appropriate use of the funds. He would like to see the city hold a public meeting to gather input regarding the spending of the Hotel/Motel in this manner. Council member McGuire gave him a copy of an article from the MRSC web site entitled, "Responsible Tourism" dated May 28, 2015.

Electric City/Grand Coulee Consolidation Discussion:

Discussion ensued. Motion was made and seconded not to move forward with the consolidation. Council members Derr, McGuire, Hensley, and Parrish voted 'yea' and Council member Bussert voted 'nay'.

m/s (McGuire/Parrish)

Grand Coulee/Electric City Police Contract for years 2016-2017:

Discussion ensued. Consensus of the council is to send this contract to the attorney to finalize the correct wording. Council member McGuire tabled the item until February.

Resolution No. 2016-01/Establishing Intent to use Reserved Lodging Tax Revenues for the Planning, Designing and Construction of Recreational Trail:

Discussion ensued. Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2016-01 as written. Council members Derr, McGuire, Hensley, and Parrish voted 'yea' and Council member Bussert voted 'nay'.

m/s (Derr/McGuire)

Ordinance No. 505-2016/Assuming the Rights, Powers, Functions, & Obligations of the ECTBD as Allowed by Second Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5987, Section 302 and Abolishing the TBD Governing Board Following its Assumption:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 505-2016 as written.

m/s (McGuire/Derr)CU

Policy 2016-01/Smoke and Vapor Free Workplace Policy:

Motion was made and seconded to approve Policy 2016-01 as written.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)CU

Council Committees:

Council member Derr tabled this until next month because the subject of committee selection will be discussed during the retreat.

Mayor Pro Temp:

Motion was made and seconded to select Lonna Bussert as the Mayor Pro Temp.

m/s (Parrish/Derr)CU

Grant County Health Representative Seat 7:

Motion was made and seconded to nominate Carol Nordine as the representative to the Board of Health.

m/s (McGuire/Derr)CU

Grant Transit Authority Representative for 2016:

Motion was made and seconded to nominate Brad Parrish to serve on the Executive Board of Directors.

m/s (Derr/McGuire)CU

City Trail/Recreation Committee:

Council member McGuire tabled the selection of the committee until next month.

Reports/Miscellaneous:

- **Mayor Nordine:** Reported on the SWAC Board meeting.
- **Council member Derr:** No Report
- **Council member McGuire:** Asked if a city hall remodel committee can be established.
- **Council member Hensley:** Made the comment that the web site is not up to date.
- **Council member Parrish:** Reported on the construction of the Grant Transit Center.
- **Council member Bussert:** Made contact with Jason Jackson and he is still willing to help with the park.
- **Public Works Director:** Reported on the work being done in the City.
- **City Clerk:** 1) Council member received handouts from the attorney for the retreat.
2) Council members are to return a signed employee retirement system paper
3) Each council member received an e-mail account. She asked if they would please inform her when they have activated the account.
4) Phil Hansen/CAPRD called and said they had received a Title 28 matching grant from the USBR to upgrade the playground at North Dam Park to meet ADA requirements for a cost of \$100,000. CAPRD has \$26,000 toward the matching grant. They asked if the city is in a position to extend any monies and if not if we would write a letter stating that we are in favor but unable to extend financial aid. The council agreed by consensus to write a letter saying they are in favor but unable to provide financial aid at this time.
5) Gave each copies of the proposed changes to the zoning code for the public hearing on February 2nd.

Approval of Expenditures:

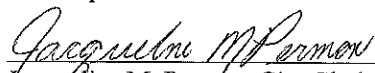
Motion was made and seconded to approve expenditures for the following:

- EFT's and Checks #11457- #11461, #11463-11505, dated 12/14/2015-12/31/2015 for a total of \$72,720.22.
- EFT's and Checks #11506- #11516, dated 01/04/2016-01/12/2016 for a total of \$186,139.10

m/s (Bussert/McGuire)CU

Adjournment:

There being no further business, motion was made by Council member Derr to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:53 p.m.


Jacqueline M. Permon, City Clerk


John T. Nordine II, Mayor