

CITY OF ELECTRIC CITY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 8, 2017

The August 8, 2017 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 Aaron Derr, Roberta Hensley, Jeremy Miller, and Lonna Bussert.

Staff members present: Russell Powers/City Clerk, Wiyaka Steinke/Code Compliance Officer, Jared Armstrong/Maintenance Lead.

Motion to Excuse: Motion was made and seconded to excuse Councilmember McGuire.

m/s (Derr/Miller) CU

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda.

m/s (Derr/Bussert) CU

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda.

- July 11, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes
 - Expenditures:
 - EFT's and Checks #12366-#12382 dated 7/17/2017-7/31/2017 for a total of \$17,865.91
 - EFT's and Checks #12383-#12412 dated 8/1/2017-8/8/2017 for a total of \$85,539.17
- m/s (Derr/Hensley) CU

POLICE REPORTS:

- Sergeant Gary Moore reported on incidents within the city.

CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER REPORTS:

- Wiyaka Steinke reported on violation notices throughout the city and the difficulty of removing abandoned or inoperable vehicles from right of ways and properties.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- Jared Armstrong reported on the progress of the Maintenance Dept. He reported several recent water leaks and the need to replace dilapidated lines. He reported the Grand Coulee flow meter tested at 100% accuracy by Evergreen Rural Water. He reported that the new ATP drying pad and pallets were working well. He reported that the tree located adjacent to the ATP was successfully removed and that he will be removing site obscuring trees along HWY 155 soon. He reported that a FEMA grant was awarded to the city.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ron Pulsipher – 218 Kelso Ave.

- Ron stated he would like the city to lower the speed limit from the golf course to Grand Coulee. He stated that it would be safer to have one speed limit through town verses five.

COUNCIL AGENDA:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **Allen Peterson from Grant County EDC:** Mr. Peterson introduced himself and explained what Grant County EDC was doing. He stated he would like to come and “set up shop” once a month in our area to assist local businesses with business advice, research, and training. He explained the interest from tourists and businesses in Korea and China in our area and the many possibilities for tourism and business development. He briefly explained the S.I.P. (Strategic Infrastructure Program) and mentioned he would forward information to the Clerk/Treasurer.

Councilmember Derr asked if a Business Development Committee could be on next month’s agenda.

- **Resolution 2017-16 Contract with Robert Droll, Landscape Architect**
Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 2017-16 Contact with Robert Droll, Landscape Architect. .

m/s (Derr/Bussert) CU

NEW BUSINESS:

At 6:50 p.m. Councilmember McGuire was teleconferenced to participate in the proceedings related to the speed limits on SR155 and could be heard by all present in the council chambers and no one else was present with him during the teleconference session.

- **Speed Limits on SR 155**
After Mayor Nordine read an email from WSDOT regarding an engineering survey done on SR155 through Electric City, the council consented to not proceed with any further discussion regarding the speed limits from the golf course to the city limits of Grand Coulee until a major improvement, or re-design of the HWY would be needed to accommodate Complete Streets or other development.

At 7:01 p.m. the teleconference session with Councilmember McGuire was ended.

- **Resolution 2017-17 Official Newspaper**
Motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 2017-17 Official Newspaper

m/s (Derr/Bussert) CU

Ordinance No. 523-2017 Sewer – Services and Fees

Councilmember Hensley reported on recommendations from the sewer committee. Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 523-2017 Sewer – Services and Fees.

m/s (Hensley/Bussert) CU

Ordinance No. 524-2017 Sewer – Connections and Use

Councilmember Hensley reported on recommendations from the sewer committee. A discussion ensued regarding the responsibility of street restoration. Motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 524-2017 Sewer – Connections and Use with a revision to section 13.15.080 requiring the city to repair and replace street pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalk or graveled streets back to its original or better condition, and to place the sewer rates resolution on the agenda in September.

m/s (Hensley/Derr) CU

REPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS:

- **Mayor John T Nordine II:** Reported that Chris Chamberlain who is working part time at the transfer station has been made a full time employee and will be working in the Maintenance Dept. in addition to his duties at the Transfer Station.
- **Council member Derr:** None
- **Council member Hensley:** Mentioned the trees along HWY 155 and that it looks like Jared has it covered.
- **Council member McGuire:** Absent
- **Council member Miller:** Asked if there was any progress on the Police Contract with Grand Coulee. The council responded that no one had been contacted about the contract.
- **Council member Bussert:** None
- **City Clerk:** Reported that TIB monies had been received, Noxious weed board levy, a new council committee application process, the upcoming budget, and about progress with the FEMA Grant.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, motion was made to adjourn the regular meeting 7:53 p.m.

m/s (Derr/Bussert)



Russell D. Powers, City Clerk /Treasurer



John T. Nordine II, Mayor