



🏠 Location: Telephonically
📅 Date: June 9, 2020
🕒 Time: 6:00pm

City of Electric City Council Meeting Minutes June 9, 2020

The Electric City Council meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by Mayor Diane Kohout on Tuesday, June 9, 2020.

Present by Roll Call: Council Members Willie Bott, Brian Buche, Bob Rupe, Cate Slater, Cheryl Hoffman

Staff members/Others present: Peggy Nevsimal, City Clerk/Treasurer, Diana Parrish, Deputy Clerk, Mark Payne, Fire Chief, Jacob Wagner, Star Newspaper

Motion to Excuse: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kohout requested that an additional item be added to the meeting agenda, the addition of a tipping fee increase at the Delano Transfer Station. The item was added to the agenda as item 7.9 under Old Business.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda

M/S (Buche/Bott) CU

Consent Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda

- May 12, 2020 Council Minutes
- Expenditure approval May 9 – June 6, 2020
- Police Report
- Fire Report

M/S (Slater/Buche) CU

Public Comments

- No public comments were submitted to the Mayor or City Clerk before the meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- Streets Projects, Phase 1:
 - A motion was made to pay Wheeler Excavations' final bill, totaling \$270,453.50, with the contingent that a pile of leftover asphalt be removed from city property, before the payment was released.

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Invoice:
 - Council member Buche said he will reach out to Council members Cain and Horn, the Grand Coulee council members on the Wastewater Committee to see if a meeting could be set up between them and council members Buche and Hoffman.
 - Transfer Station Hire
 - The council discussed the continuing efforts of finding a part-time Gate Attendant for the Transfer Station. With rearranging schedules, hours could be increased to 30 hours/week, in hopes that would be appealing to potential applicants. Once the position is filled, Zach Holm, the current Attendant, would then only work at the Transfer Station on Saturdays and the balance of his work week would be spent in the Public Works Department.
 - A motion was made to increase the Transfer Station position to up to 30 hours per week.
- M/S (Hoffman/Buche) CU
- Code variances and non-conforming requests
 - There was a discussion about whether the council would like to re-visit forming a planning committee, or citizen advisory board, to address code variances and non-conforming requests sent to the City, or whether such requests should stay with the council members.
 - All agreed that a separate committee, that would then make recommendations to the council, was the preferred structure.
 - Council member Slater would like more research done regarding the need for a position on the committee called a Hearing Examiner.
 - The City Clerk will research past ordinances and report back to this council what the requirements would be to form a new group.
 - Ice Age Park Redesign
 - RCO has placed a temporary hold on our grant monies from them until a bid has been awarded.
 - The Parks Committee will be meeting in the month of June with SPVV Landscape Architecture Firm to discuss scaling down components within the park design, thus allowing it to come in within the current budget.
 - A motion was made to add a levy vote to the upcoming November ballot seeking monies for park maintenance expenses.
- M/S (Hoffman/Rupe) CU
- Stormwater Grant Final Budget
 - Final billing has been submitted to the Department of Ecology and the City came in slightly under budget. The final reimbursement was approximately \$5,000.
 - Lift Station Award Process:
 - There will be a meeting with TEK Contracting on June 19. They have recommended a different type of tank that will reduce the overall bid price by approximately \$40,000, thus coming in under budget.
 - Transfer Station Tipping Fees
 - A motion was made to accept the Regional Board of Mayors' recommendation to increase local tipping fees by \$2/ton, which will take effect on September 1, 2020.

M/S (Bott/Slater) CU

New Business

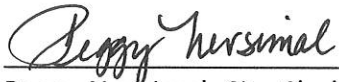
- Disposal of Surplus City Property
 - A motion was made to offer, under sealed bid, the City's Jeep Renegade vehicle with a minimum bid set at \$17,000.

M/S (Bott/Buche) CU
- Coronavirus Relief Fund Options
 - A motion was made to offer a portion of the City's Department of Commerce allocated Coronavirus Relief Fund money as small business grants to local businesses.


M/S (Buche/Rupe) CU
 - Council member Hoffman volunteered to be on the review committee that will review and award grants, along with City Clerk Nevsimal and Mayor Kohout.
- Part-Time Temporary Office Assistant
 - A motion was made to hire a part-time temporary office assistant for 8 weeks for 25 hours/week at \$14/hour.

M/S (Slater/Hoffman) CU
- Appointment of Tourism Committee
 - A motion was made to appointment council member Slater and council member Hoffman to the City's 2020 Tourism Committee.

M/S (Buche/Rupe) CU
- The meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.



Peggy Nevsimal, City Clerk/Treasurer



Diane Kohout, Mayor

M/S (Rupe/Buche) CU