

City Council
February 25, 2020

Mayor Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Upon roll call the following members were present: Bender, Smith, Rose, Burbank, Wilbanks, and Sundstrom. Also present were City Administrator Schmidt, City Planner Wallgren and City Clerk Percival.

Mayor Johnson asked if there were any other additions, deletions, or changes to the agenda.

Council member Smith moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council member Bender seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

County Councilmember Morrell

County Councilmember Morrell stated that he enjoys coming to Buckley and gave an update on what the County is working on.

STAFF REPORTS

City Administrator Schmidt reported that the Mayor has made a verbal offer for the new City Administrator.

MAIN AGENDA

ORD No. 02-20 Amending 2020 City Employee Salary Scale

Council member Smith moved to Approve ORD No. 02-20 Amending the 2020 City Employee Salary Scale. Council member Rose seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried 5/1.

RES No. 20-04 Amending the Cities Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule

Council member Wilbanks moved to Approve the Resolution No. 20-04 Revising the Comprehensive Taxes, Rates and Fees Schedule to Adjust Garbage Rates and Charges. Council member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

RES No. 20-05 Replacing City Policies for Filling Council Vacancies

Council member Rose moved to Approve Resolution No. 20-05 Replacing City Policies for Filling Council Vacancies. Council member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Engineering Design and Preparation of Bid/Construction Documents for River Avenue Improvements

Council member Smith moved to Approve the Consultant Agreement for Engineering Design and Preparation of Bid/Construction Documents for the River Avenue Improvements (Jefferson Ave. to Main St.). Council member Rose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amendment to Employment Contract – Fire Chief

Council member Burbank moved to Approve the Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Fire Chief Predmore. Council member Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amendment to the Employment Contract – Asst. Fire Chief

Council member Smith moved to Approve the Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Asst. Fire Chief Skogen. Council member Rose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Smith moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council member Burbank seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approve Minutes of January 28, 2020, City Council Meeting
Approve Minutes of February 4, 2020, City Council Study Session

Claim check numbers 61110 through 61138 in the amount of \$ 131,338.02 for the period of February 12, 2020 through February 25, 2020, are hereby approved and ordered paid this 25th day of February 2020.

Payroll check numbers 38421 through 38463 in the amount of \$ 85,158.90, and ACH payroll in the amount of \$ 386,806.17, for the month of January 2020, and Treasurer check numbers 12226 through 12228 in the amount of \$ 850.00, and EFT payments in the amount of \$ 14,732.66, are hereby approved and ordered paid this 25th day of February 2020.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Johnson gave a brief legislative update and urged everyone to contact their legislators.

Administration, Finance & Public Safety:

Council member Smith shared that the Committee met on February 19th and discussed or received updates on the following:

- Police: Cadaver dogs are being brought out on February 22nd to search for the missing client from Rainier State School. Oral boards for new Police candidates will be held on February 27th and 28th.
- Finance: Central Pension Audit is scheduled for March 9, 2020. Still working on 2019 year-end closeout.
- Court: Training months are coming up for the Court Administrator, Court Clerk and Judge. They are working to reconfigure their space.
- IT: Upgrades are going on now.
- Fire: Reviewed some Interlocal Agreements that will be coming to Council soon.

Admin: Reviewed a draft of the new Council vacancy policies.

The Committee decided to schedule a Special Council meeting on March 17th at 6:30 PM to interview the candidates for the vacant Council seat.

The Committee also reviewed an event application for a street dance during the Buckley Log Show. The Committee decided to move this to a Study Session to hear feedback from the full Council.

Next meeting is March 4th at 4:00 PM at City Hall.

Transportation & Utilities:

Council member Wilbanks shared that the Committee met on February 18th and discussed the following:

- Garbage rate increase
- Possibly having garbage billing go back to DM Disposal instead of through the City.
- Alternate sewer rates.
- Spiketon Culvert project.

Next meeting is on March 17th at 4:00 PM at City Hall.

Community Services:

Council member Rose shared that the Committee met on February 20th and reviewed possibly adding a new fee waiver option for the Youth Activity Center and the Multi-Purpose Center so that they match with the Buckley Hall. The Rescue Church that meets on Saturday evenings at the Multi-Purpose Center has requested to move to the Youth Activity Center. All of the concerts for music in the park have been scheduled for the summer. The Mother/Son Dance is coming up at Buckley Hall.

Council member Bender wanted to thank the Fright Factory for their donation to pay for one of the music in the park performers.

Next meeting is on March 19th at 1:00 PM at City Hall.

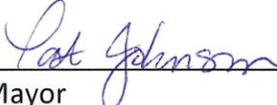
Council Member Comments & Good of the Order:

Council member Smith shared a letter he received from a citizen regarding concerns about a property. Staff will check on it.

Council member Sundstrom shared his thoughts and praising and criticizing folks in an open public meeting.

Council member Smith moved to adjourn. Council member Rose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With nothing further the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.



Mayor



City Administrator

Prepared by: City Clerk Treva Percival, MMC