

City of Grand Coulee
Regular Meeting of the City Council
April 19, 2022

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Townsend called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL:

The following were:

Present: Mayor Townsend, Council Members Anita Eylar, Tom. Poplawski, Gary Carriere, Mike Horne, and Alan Cain

Excused:

Also Present: Clerk Lorna Pearce, Ryan Fish, Fire Chief, Officer Chief Tufts, Duncan & Marlene Odie, Shane Clayton, Steven Roseno, Kimberly Christenson. Attending via ZOOM were Tim and Grace O'Sullivan, Jacob Wagner, Star Newspaper and Travis Irwin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

2. VISITOR INPUT:

Marlene Odie, Business Owner, asked council to consider allowing the businesses in the 200 block of Main Street to consolidate their garbage service to one or two dumpsters instead of the smaller individual carts.

Kimberly Christensen, 500 Roosevelt Dr., asked if council had found any information on state requirements involving council members ethics. Mr. Carriere said that he done some research but was unable to find where there was any state requirement for a council to have a code of conduct in place.

Shane Clayton, 203 2nd Street, asked council to allow her not to have the garbage service at her residence, she is rarely there and has been told by a contractor to leave the water on to keep moisture in the ground so that her home does not split in half.

Grace O'Sullivan, 880 Division, asked that the requirement for garbage service be waived. They are required to be in Seattle but would like the water to be available when they are here.

3. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Chief Fish informed council that there have been no fire calls in April, the ambulance responded to 46 calls for service in April. The ambulance has been picked up from Braun Northwest and is back in service. The department is still researching the feasibility of paying ambulance attendees to be on a rotating call schedule. The department was asked by the Ridge Riders to assist with some cleanup at the rodeo grounds in preparation for Colorama.

Ms. Pearce informed council that annual report is still a work in progress. The annual report for the SLFRF funds that city has received has been submitted. Ms. Pearce also asked the finance committee to meet to discuss a change in the use of the portion of the SLFRF funds that had been proposed to be used to upgrade the fire station.

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4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Cain said that the planning committee had made some progress on the review of the city owned parcels and wanted to thank Andrea for the color map that she had pieced together from the zoning map.

Mr. Poplawski let council know that the public safety committee, Mayor and Chief Tufts had met with Electric City to start the negotiation process for the law enforcement contract.

5. AGENDA REVISIONS: Mayor Townsend asked that Ms. Clayton's request to waive the garbage requirement be added as Item 8.10

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

6.1 Motion to approve Regular Council meeting minutes of March 15, 2022.

6.2 Motion to approve for Payment Vouchers, dated April 19, 2022, certified by the City Clerk/Treasurer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and expense reimbursement claims, dated April 19, 2022, certified by the City Clerk/Treasurer as required by RCW 42.24.090, voucher numbers 42134 through 42181 and EFT items in the amount of \$241,025.95. Voucher 42179 was Void should have been an EFT

6.3 Motion to approve Payroll Vouchers, dated March 31, 2022, certified by the City Clerk/Treasurer as required by RCW 42.24.080, vouchers numbered 42117 through 42133 and Direct Deposit and EFTs (no sequenced numbers) as listed on the Payroll register in the total amount of \$139,454.60.

Mr. Carriere motioned to approve the consent agenda, Ms. Eylar second, motion carried.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

7.1 MACC Dispatch Sole Source: Chief Tufts informed council that because the department utilizes Lexipol for policy and procedure this can be added.

7.2 Mandatory Garbage Service: Ms. Eylar asked that this be brought back to council, she had requested and received a copy of the letter that went to residents without garbage service and noted that there is a section in the code that allows for garbage service to be suspended for a minimum of one month and that a cart system rental or pickup and stop charge may apply that was not included in the letter. Ms. Pearce stated that the code section states service can be discontinued when the premises is vacant. After more discussion Mayor Townsend put the matter into committee and asked that information be brought to council in May.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Resolution 22-05 Establishing Fees Associated with Sewer Services: Mr. Poplawski motioned to approve Resolution 22-04, Mr. Cain second, motion carried.

8.2 Amendment to Engineering Services Federal Ave. Waterline Replacement: Mr. Poplawski said he would like to be sure that we are getting the services we are charged for. Ms. Pearce stated that the invoice breaks out each service and the hours of performance. Mr. Carriere motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement, Mr. Horne second, motion carried.

8.3 Amendment to Engineering Services Federal Ave. Street Project: Mr. Poplawski motioned to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement, Ms. Eylar second, motion carried.

8.4 Ordinance 1083 Repealing Section 14.28 of the Grand Coulee Municipal Code and Amending Chapter 17.60: Mr. Cain motioned to adopt Ordinance 1083, Mr. Horne second, motion carried.

8.5 Resolution 22-07 Authorizing New Interlocal Agreement of Regional Board of Mayors: Mayor Townsend informed council the purpose of this new agreement was to consolidate the original agreement and amendments into one

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document and to make a change to the percentage each municipality was required to contribute from 15% to 20%. Mayor Townsend said that in the process of this update it was found that Electric City is charging the transfer station for 7% of the deputy clerks wages and collecting the 15% administrative fee. Mayor Townsend feels that some of the activities Electric City is charging for would fall under administrative duties and therefore should not be charged an additional amount. Mayor Townsend had asked for an accounting of time and what Electric City and RBOM consider to be administrative duties. Coulee Dam's mayor would like the agreement finalized and re-visited in 6 months. Mr. Carrier was in favor of approving the city portion from 15 to 20%. Mr. Cain motioned not to sign the agreement at this time and asked for clarification of the use of the administrative fee, Mr. Horne second, motion carried.

8.6 Discussion/Approval of Possible Expenditure for Wood Chipping: The RBOM received a grant for wood chipping. The estimated cost for the project is \$5,249.92, the grant will cover up to 75% or \$3,937.44. The remaining \$1,312.48 will need to be paid either by the RBOM or each city will pay a share. After some discussion Mr. Carriere motioned to approve the expenditure, Mr. Cain second, motion passed with 4 yes votes and Mr. Poplawski voting no.

8.7 Resolution 22-08 Declaring Items Surplus: The public works department has requested to surplus an oiler truck. Mr. Poplawski motioned to approve, Ms. Eylar second, motion carried.

8.8 Request by MPH Hi Dam to Close a Section of Main St. Friday of Colorama: Mr. Horne, owner of the Hi Dam is asking to be allowed to close half of the upper portion of Main St. Friday, May 6, 2022. The area will be fenced off, there will be tables set up and there will be a mechanical bull. Security will be provided by the Hi Dam. Mr. Carriere motioned to approve the closure of that portion of Main St. for May 6, 2022 only, Mr. Cain second, motion carried.

8.9 Discussion of Vehicles Being Parked on Lawns: Mr. Cain had been approached by a citizen asking that this be added to the agenda for discussion. The citizen's concern is the fluids that may leak from vehicles into the soil and contaminate drinking water. Mayor Townsend asked the zoning committee to review the issue and provide information to council at the May meeting.

8.10 Request for Garbage Service to be Waived ~ Shane Clayton: Mayor Townsend asked that this request, along with Ms. Odie's request for commercial accounts to be allowed to share service, be further reviewed by the garbage committee with information brought back to council in May.

Ms. Eylar reminded everyone that Colorama weekend Ridge Riders will be hosting a rodeo and bull riding and there will be Cinco D Mayo refreshments available in the food booth.

Mr. Cain wanted to thank Andrea for producing the colored map for the planning commission for their review process of city owned parcels.

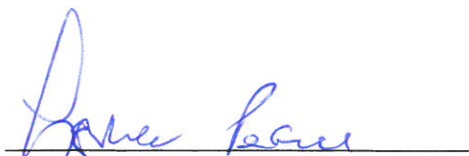
Mayor Townsend recognized several city employees for their years of service: Ruth Olmstead, 11 years, John Tufts, 38 years, Dan Holland, 19 years, Dennis Francis, 30 years, and Ryan Fish, 27 years.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no objection, the mayor adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:10pm.



Paul A. Townsend, Mayor



Lorna Pearce, Clerk/Treasurer

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