

Regular Council Meeting of July 20, 2021

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Naillon, Hart and Moser.
Councilman McElheran attended via speakerphone.
Absent: Councilman Marthaller.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the July 6th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Jeff Bunnell, The Oroville Initiative, gave updates on:

- Duck Race on May Day
- Crosswalk flags are in need of replacement and his wife is in the process of making 40 new flags
- Adopt-A-Park program
- TOI donated a concrete picnic table to the Whistler Canyon Trailhead

Bunnell would like to discuss a proposal for improvements to the PNT-Similkameen River Trailhead on Kernan Road; TOI will be placing one concrete picnic table at the trailhead, as well as one further up the trail. Bunnell has talked with County Commissioner Chris Branch and the County Commissioners have discussed transferring ownership of the trailhead to the City if the City were to accept it. Bunnell is requesting that the City consider accepting the property. TOI intends to take over the maintenance of the property. Bunnell stated that TOI could apply for LTAC funding to make improvements to the property; discussed possible improvements, which would include a restroom and possible tent sites for those using the trail. Bunnell stated that the Pacific Northwest Trail Association may also have funding available to help with improvements. Mayor Neal stated that several issues need to be looked into further; would like to discuss possible impacts with Superintendent Thompson. Chief Langford expressed concern on proposed camping and enforcement issues that would be created; Bunnell stated that they are thinking of having 2 or 3 sites. Councilman Naillon stated that enforcement of camping is definitely a concern. Bunnell felt that the details could be worked out as the proposal moves forward. Bunnell stated that TOI will also be applying for LTAC funds for signage to direct hikers to the trailhead; also discussed potential monument placement, as Oroville is the half-way point on the trail. Mayor Neal to meet with Commissioner Branch to discuss the issue further. Bunnell thanked the Council for their consideration; Council thanked Bunnell for the presentation and all that TOI does for the community.

Review of draft Ordinance #915, zoning text amendment providing for a residential overlay in the C2 zoning district. Discussion on where the overlay zone was applied. Resident Russel Jensen, 921 Fir Street, was present regarding his property not being included in the overlay zone; Planner Danison explained notice given to the public regarding the amendment. Danison stated that the Council could adopt the ordinance and Jensen could petition to amend the overlay zone, or the Council could send the issue back to the Planning Commission; Danison recommended that the Council adopt the ordinance. Motion by McElheran, second by Naillon that ordinance #915 be adopted; motion carried.

Clerk Denney stated that the property management agreement approved during the July 6th meeting with Oroville Reman & Reload has been accepted by the EDA.

Adopt-A-Park Agreement submitted by the Oroville Market Association for the Madeline Wells Park. Motion by Naillon, second by Hart to approve the agreement; motion carried.

Chief Langford explained his Police Department Wage Scale Restructuring request; would like to see it addressed before the budget workshops begin. Mayor Neal would like to see dollar amounts applied to the request for comparison.

Chief Langford explained the Lexipol information submitted to Council for review; discussed changes being made in the State and policies that will be needed by the department. Discussed Policy Management, Online Training and the Tiers available through Lexipol.

Langford discussed costs involved: 2021 prorated subscription (August – December) \$1,802.70; one time fee for implementation \$13,600.00; 2022 subscription \$4,326.50. Councilman Naillon questioned staff time for getting the information to Lexipol to start the process; Langford stated that he will be doing it and further explained the process for converting over to Lexipol. Naillon questioned process for Council to adopt each policy; Langford explained how he felt the process would go. Langford stated that he will look into American Rescue Plan funds to help with costs. Finance Committee will need to meet to look into further.

WSLCB Renewal Application Notices for the Brickhouse and Hood Canal Green Farms; no comments.

Karen Frisbie stated that the NCW EDD (North Central Washington Economic Development District) is working on the Tread Map program; meeting will be held July 28th at 2 pm and Frisbie would like to see an elected official from Oroville at the meeting.

Karen Frisbie discussed the Downtown Development Grant for Oroville and Brewster; meeting will be held October 25th in Oroville and Frisbie would like to see an elected official from Oroville at the meeting.

Karen Frisbie discussed the Super Nova Business Launch, which will be ending, stated that Cassandra Clark of Oroville is in the top 4 for selection. Frisbie stated that meetings will be held August 5th and August 19th.

Further discussion on the Tread Map App; Frisbie stated that it is available to view at treadmap.com

Jeff Bunnell questioned the National Night Out event and how TOI can help; Langford to meet with Bunnell to discuss. Reminder that the event will be held August 3rd and the City Council meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday August 4th.

Motion by McElheran and second by Moser the vouchers \$43,360.34, #29217-29242, EFT-DOR, be paid, the July 15, 2021 payroll of \$48,044.19, #29190-29204, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202127-202128, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 8:04 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk