

Regular Council Meeting of February 20, 2024

Present were: Mayor Naillon, Councilmembers Shaw, Marthaller, Werner, Hart and Moser.  
Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Naillon. Pledge of Allegiance given.  
Copies of the February 6<sup>th</sup> Council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Mayor Naillon stated that Arnie Marchand is a scheduled appearance to discuss the vacant side of the KIOSK, however, Naillon would like to clarify a few issues before the discussion begins. In September of 2023, Superintendent Thompson approached the Council about the vacant side of the KIOSK and the need to place something on it; Naillon contacted Carolyn Davis with the Okanogan County Tourism Council to discuss the City's intent and Davis agreed. Naillon stated that the City did not solicit advice for the information to be placed on the KIOSK. City had discussed the following during the January 16, 2024 meeting: *Background was that Superintendent Thompson notified the Council that flyers were being stapled to the open side of the sign and there was concern about potential damage; Superintendent Thompson was directed to install plexiglass to protect the sign and the Council discussed designing a sign with local recreational opportunities. Discussion on creating a large map of the area with a legend identifying recreation opportunities; ideas would include: local parks, lakes, boating and water skiing, public boat launches, snow parks, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and snowmobiling, ski hill, PNW and other scenic trails, biking routes and trails, ORV accessible roads and areas, publicly available hunting lands, campgrounds, guest ranches and resorts, ghost towns and landmarks, museums, horseback riding, stargazing areas and mountain hiking, such as the Pasayten Wilderness. Discussed need to determine area to be covered; would like to see from Loomis to Chesaw.* Mayor Naillon stated that the City appreciates the interest shown, however, a lot of input has been received that does not reflect the City's intent for the sign. Discussed that additional information can be included on the sign with QR Codes. Arnie Marchand stated that he has been in contact with a private company that could create the 4' x 8' sign; Marchand will contact the individual and give him the City's contact information to move forward with creating the sign.

Nairne Moreau was present to request an insert be included with the City's utility bills for Streetscape/TOI. Motion by Werner, second by Marthaller that the request be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Lee Chapman with TOI was present to request approval to place a pickleball court at one of the City parks. TOI received approval of LTAC funds of \$25,000 to build a pickleball court in Oroville and they would like to know where it can be placed; Chapman stated that he has been working on ideas with Superintendent Thompson. Mayor Naillon stated that the City will want to honor the new park plan being developed. Discussion on timeline involved with the project. Mayor Naillon stated that a recommendation on placement will be needed from Superintendent Thompson. Thompson discussed grant potential for expanding the project. Chapman stated that they are mainly looking for approval of location at this time, as well as, having the City think of projects that could be funded in the future. Naillon expressed his appreciation for TOI and everything they do for Oroville.

Jordana Ellis with the Okanogan Conservation District (OCD) was present to discuss the Local Drought Planning and Preparedness grant through the Department of Ecology that OCD will be applying for to prepare a County wide plan, which will be a conglomeration of 6 smaller plans; partners have to be listed in the grant application. Mayor Naillon asked about mitigation; Ellis stated that mitigation will be addressed in the risk assessment of the plan. Discussed the need for a representative from Oroville if Oroville will be involved in the development of the plan. Discussed that long term projects will be addressed in the plan. Discussed other entities that have already committed to being involved. Councilman Werner stated that the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District and Whitestone Irrigation District should be contacted to be involved. Superintendent Thompson questioned what the OCD was thinking in regard to how often meetings would be held to develop the plan; Ellis felt that it would be one meeting per month. Mayor Naillon stated that the City needs to think about their involvement and a decision will be made during the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The Council thanked Ellis for attending.

Review of proposed Resolution #592 Adopting the Comprehensive Plan. Motion by Hart, second by Werner that Resolution #592 be approved; motion carried unanimously.

Continuation of the Body Worn Cameras discussion from the previous meeting. Chief Langford stated that the 2<sup>nd</sup> grant he is looking into closes on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Langford stated that the grant is for \$10,000, however, the City would need to match the funds dollar for dollar; discussion on 'in kind' match. Further discussion on the fact that grant funds are not guaranteed. Further discussion on City's Choice vs. Mandated. Mayor Naillon stated that the discussion should have taken place during the budget process; Chief Langford stated that it was and they were cut from his budget request. Mayor Naillon asked Langford if he felt that the cameras should be purchased at this time; Langford stated that he did not feel that they are needed by his department at this time. Councilman Werner stated that he feels that the Body Worn Cameras should not be pursued at this time. Further discussion on Need vs. Mandate. Consensus was that the City pursue if it becomes a priority.

WSLCB Liquor License Application Notice for Cazadores Mexican Restaurant; no comments.

WSLCB Liquor License Renewal Application Notice for Tacos Jolisco; no comments.

#### Department Head Updates

Bryan Forbus was present with his Building Department Report; Forbus gave an overview of permitting, inspections, enforcement and other activities.

Superintendent Thompson stated that he received the sewer camera and the crew hopes to receive their training on it next week.

Motion by Werner and second by Marthaller the vouchers \$79,254.03, #33233-33257, DOR-EFT1, be paid, the February 15, 2024 payroll of \$51,201.61, #33217-33229, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202405-202406, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:52 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

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Clerk