Regular Council Meeting of July 19, 2016

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Naillon, Koepke, McElheran and Hart. Absent: Roley.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given. Copies of the July 5th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

Oath of Office taken by Councilmember Ed Naillon.

Washington State Department of Health grant agreement reviewed; purpose of the grant is to fund a preliminary engineering study, water system plan amendment and public hearings to allow the City of Oroville to serve the East Lake Water Association users. Councilmember Hart pointed out a correction to be made, replacing Chelan with Oroville; Branch stated that the DOH has been made aware of the correction needed. Motion by Koepke, second by McElheran that Mayor Neal be authorized to sign the grant agreement with the Department of Health; motion carried.

Airport improvements update given by Branch. J-U-B Engineers is finalizing the scope of work, an Independent Fee Estimate is needed so that we can finalize a contract for services with J-U-B and then the City will need to submit an FAA Grant Application for the next phase of the project. Due to time constraints, J-U-B is requesting that the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the grant application. Branch stated that he is waiting on a final grant amount from J-U-B and had hoped to have the amount by the beginning of the meeting; Branch requested that the issue be tabled until later in the meeting in case that information is received. Brief discussion on how the sewer at the Industrial Park could affect the project; issue will need to be addressed at a later date.

Joseph Enzensperger was present to discuss the Enloe Dam Project; copies of a press release, an introduction to the project and a review of the economics of restoring hydropower at Enloe Dam on the Similkameen River, as prepared by Anthony Jones of Rocky Mountain Econometrics, were discussed by Enzensperger. Enzensperger presented a draft resolution he would like the City Council to consider adopting during their next meeting, after they've had time to review the submitted information opposing the project.

Fire Chief Rod Noel requested approval for the addition of two new members to the Oroville Fire Department, which would bring the number of members to 24. Applicants were Jason Wildermuth and Marcus Rounds. Motion by Koepke, second by Hart that Wildermuth and Rounds be approved; motion carried.

Branch would like to request that the City Council authorize Mayor Neal to sign an FAA Grant Application for up to \$180,000. Further discussion on the grant application. Motion by Koepke, second by McElheran that Mayor Neal be authorized to sign the FAA Grant Application for up to \$180,000 when prepared by J-U-B Engineers; motion carried.

Michael Guss, Economic Development District, stated that the grant to the USDA for the electric charging stations has been approved. Guss stated that one station will be installed at the Camaray Motel and a second station will be installed in Tonasket. Charging station located at the Camaray will charge 3 cars at one time. Discussion on positive impact the charging station will have on Oroville.

Clyde Andrews discussed positive feedback from the Rack Cards the Chamber has been purchasing with the Hotel/Motel Tax Funds.

Arnie Marchand commented on the electric car tours that will be future promotions for tourism.

Library Improvement Project update given by Clerk Denney; 2 quotes were received, in addition to 1 electrical only quote. Unfortunately, quotes received were over the budgeted amount. Clerk Denney requested that the Library Committee, along with staff and Salley Bull (representing the Library) meet to review quotes and plans to determine where changes could be made to the improvements to meet the budgeted amount. Mayor Neal stated that Committee Appointments will take place during the August 2nd meeting.

Chief Hill reported that he hired Gary Hirst effective July 15th as an entry-level patrolman; Hirst will need to pass an entrance exam for the academy and if successful, will attend the academy beginning August 9th.

Chief Hill reported that he has been moving into the 1105 Main Street building and had hoped to be completely moved in by July 22nd, however, will probably be moved in completely by July 29th.

Joseph Enzensperger stated that he had been told that someone is camping along the Similkameen Trail and creating issues for people using the trail; requested that the individual be contacted. Chief Hill stated that he is aware of the individual, however, the County would need to contact the individual. Enzensperger stated that he would like to contact the individual and ask them to relocate; Chief Hill suggested that he also contact the County so that there was a report on file at the County.

Motion by Koepke and second by McElheran the vouchers #21010-21037, \$34,954.56, be paid, the July 15, 2016 payroll of \$46,273.68, #20973-20988, direct deposit run and EFT #201613 be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:48 pm. Motion carried.

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