

Minutes of 7-13-2021 Regular Meeting of the East Hope City Council

The Regular meeting of the East Hope City Council was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Vernon Fleisher. Council members Joyce Butler, Don Wells, and Debbie Field were present and constituted a quorum. Amanda Delima was absent.

Audience Comments:

None

Approval of Minutes

Council member Field moved to approve the regular meeting minutes of 6/8//2021, council member Wells seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Approval of Bills/Financial Report

Council member Butler moved to pay the June bills in the amount of \$25,412.16, council member Wells seconded, and the motion carried 3-0. The financial reports were reviewed.

Public Hearing:

None

Old Business

City Park Update & Playground Equipment Fundraiser

The plant/top soil fundraiser is at \$3,455, the city has spent \$1,991.60 on top soil so far. The playground equipment is delayed due to manufacturing shortages, hopefully it will be delivered by the end of August. Mayor Fleisher met with Chris to discuss the shaping of the mounds and sprinkler system. Chris will hopefully begin towards the end of the month.

Draft FY2022 Budget Discussion

Council reviewed the draft budget, council member Wells moved to approve the tentative budget for publication for the public hearing at the August 10th meeting. Council member Butler seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

New Business

Wall Mural Discussion on Business Loop 200

Kathleen Huntly addressed the city council with the idea to paint a mural on the block wall along HWY 200 Business Loop as you enter the City of Hope. She cites that studies have found that murals don't tend to get graffitied. There are conditions that are set by the Idaho Transportation Department and permits required to start such a project and she would like the design to come from the community. She would like to form a committee with a couple people from Hope and a couple from East Hope along with herself to work on moving this idea along. She will be presenting this to the Hope City Council tomorrow night. East Hope Council liked the idea however, made no formal decision at this time.

East Hope Water Shed Discussion

Water operator, Marty Lowell, talked with council about concerns regarding the Strong Creek Water Shed and fire fuels that could threaten our water shed. Marty relayed information that he received from Bruce Stutzke (Hope resident, and Hope council member) that accesses this area frequently and has suggested that we consider a joint meeting with Hope and the current ranger for the Sandpoint District. Council member Wells moved to pursue a joint meeting, council member Butler seconded and the motion carried 3-0.

Staff Report

Planning and Zoning

June was a busy month with 3 new building permits and 3 new property line adjustment applications having been received.

Clerk

The city will be sending off the veteran tiles and bricks to be engraved at the end of July.

Announcements

Next regular meeting will be August 10th, along with the City's budget hearing meeting at 5:30 pm.

Council member Wells moved to adjourn, council member Butler seconded and the motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Vernon Fleisher, Mayor

Attest:

Christy Franck, City Clerk