

Minutes of 9-10-2019 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 Tom Grimm, Lonna Bernard, Ian Barrett and Debbie Field were present and constituted a quorum.

Audience Comments

None

Approval of Minutes

Council member Barrett moved to approve the regular/public hearing meeting, minutes of 8-13-2019, council member Field seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Bills/Financial Report

Council member Grimm moved to pay the August bills in the amount of \$19,689.22, council member Barrett seconded and the motion carried 4-0. The financial reports were reviewed.

Public Hearing:

None

Old Business

Water Facility Project Update

The pipe modification change order requested by JUB Engineers was discussed again this month, council member Barrett moved to approve the change order request and is being reimbursed by JUB Engineers, council member Grimm seconded and the motion carried 4-0. Council reviewed the request for issuing the certificate for substantial completion and how it is defined within the contract documents. Council member Barrett moved to withhold the issuance of the certificate of substantial completion and final payment to the contractor until slow sand filter 3 has been approved for use within the distribution system, council member Grimm seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

City Park Update & Playground Equipment Fundraiser (\$3,302.00)

Council was informed that the playground equipment fundraiser has collected a total of \$3,302 to date. The City is applying for the Angels Over Sandpoint Grant which has a maximum out pay of \$2,500. Council member Barrett relayed information about the Lighthouse Foundation and council member Bernard will follow up with this. The City is requesting bids from 3 area concrete companies for the Veteran's Wall.

Wired or Wireless Franchise Agreement Discussion

Council discussed the information that was relayed from the attorney concerning insurance and maintenance inquiries and would like to see those items added to the draft agreement. The clerk will add this language and present a draft to W.O.W. for their review.

New Business

Ryan Green to Discuss Franchise Agreement for Kaniksu Networks

Ryan Green discussed with council that Kaniksu Networks was considering bringing fiber optic into the City both aerial and underground and discussed the need for a franchise agreement. Mr. Green asked about having an short term exclusivity clause in the agreement as well. This will be explored with the attorney. Mr. Green also inquired about using abandon water lines as conduit for the fiber lines. This will also be explored with the attorney. Council member Barrett moved to have a draft agreement put together for Mr. Green for his review, council member Field seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Contract Renewal with Ruen Yeager for Planning & Zoning Services

Council member Field moved to renew the contract with Ruen Yeager & Associates for planning & zoning services, council member Bernard seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Staff Report

Planning and Zoning

The City received one new building permit during August for a deck. No new land use applications have been filed in the past month. The property line adjustment application filed for the Pedersen property is pending receipt of the preliminary plat from the project surveyor. Staff has fielded a number of phone calls regarding the development of vacant lots, access questions, and lot split assessments during August.

Water/Streets

Marty informed council about the waterline replacement project on Lookout and that it is now complete with the exception of the driveways being paved which will occur when Wood's Crushing does Hope Ave. Staff informed council of a LHTAC Grant (Federal Funds) for rural roads and this will be explored for Wellington Road east of Centennial Blvd.

Clerk

The first bond payment will be made tomorrow in the amount of \$68,269. Mr. & Mrs. Camwell will be meeting with a tree service on the 18th of this month to have the trees looked at for removal. They will let the City know what comes of the meeting when it is done.

Announcements

The next regular council meeting will be October 8, 2019 at 5:30 pm. Having no further business, council member Barrett moved to adjourn, council member Grimm seconded, and motion carried 4-0, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Vernon Fleisher, Mayor

Attest:

Christy Franck, City Clerk