# REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MAY 2, 2017 6:00 p.m.

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Mayor KayDee Gilkey called the May 2, 2017 regular council meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Mayor and Town Council members present: KayDee Gilkey, Harry Gibbons, Darcie Sainsbury, George Davidson, Valerie Rogers, and Emily Thomas.

Others present: Melissa Lunsford, Brian, Kristin, Emily, Katherine, Evelyn and Patrick Kauffman, Justin & Heidi Gust and Cheryl Loeffler.

# **Approval of Minutes**

#### ACTION

Harry Gibbons moved to approve the minutes as read from the April 18, 2017 regular council meeting. The motion was seconded by Valerie Rogers and approved 4 to 1. Darcie abstained.

## **ACTION**

Valerie moved to approve the April 24, special meeting minutes; seconded by Emily. The motion approved 4-1 with George abstaining.

# **Approval of Claims**

#### ACTION

Darcie Sainsbury moved to approve the claims for May 2, 2017 as presented with EFT #E357-358 totaling \$2,778.37 and check numbers 18795-18811 totaling \$17,698.52; seconded by George. The motion passed 5-0.

	05-02-2017
Claims	\$13,239.71
Payroll	7,237.19
Total Paid	\$20,476.89

Check register signed by George Davidson, Harry Gibbons and Darcie Sainsbury.

#### **ACTION**

Valerie moved to excuse Darcie from the 4-18-17 meeting due to work commitment; seconded by Emily. The motion passed 4-1 with Darcie abstaining.

# **ACTION**

Darcie moved and Harry seconded to excuse George from the 4-24-17 special council meeting, 4-1 with George abstaining.

# **Engineer's Report**

Century West took photos of various areas of the sidewalk last week and have given notice to Accelerated Construction Equipment (ACE) that the condition of the sidewalks is still under the two-year warranty. Century West also contacted Wm Winkler Co.

FEMA is beginning the second tier for flood relief. There is a meeting on May 10th that Bryan suggested someone from council should attend. KayDee will be able to attend the meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## **Dust control**

Cheryl will provide Ed Huber with some budget numbers.

# **Community Center strip**

We are still waiting to hear back from landscapers on how to fix the strip. KayDee and Emily will look for the contact info of the person that gave a presentation at a Community Advisory Board meeting.

## **Marll Court**

Bettie Roecks is looking for her documentation regarding connection fees. Cheryl has not been able to find anything in the town's records.

## **Chipping event**

The people thought that the \$10-day permit was "the best deal in town". We collected \$220 to use towards another chipping event. Turnout was a bit lower than other times but the weather had not been cooperating. Darcie reported that Out On A Limb was a great company to work with. This was the first time they have been used.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# Wages for mayor and council

The state constitution prohibits an increase (or decrease) in the salary of city or town coucilmembers after or during their term of office, which means that the town council can vote to increase the salaries but the new salaries may not take effect until after the next election and even then, would be effective only for those councilmembers who are up for re-election. The mayor and council of Fairfield have not had a pay increase since 1982. Currently, the mayor makes \$62.50 per meeting, not to exceed \$1500 a year and the council makes \$50 per meeting, not to exceed \$1200 a year. The council reviewed the salaries of various towns across the state.

Comment from Kristin: being the wife of a former councilman, they are definitely not paid enough!

## **ACTION**

Darcie moved to increase the mayor's salary to \$400/month with a maximum of \$4800 yearly effective I-2018, and to take the council to \$150/month not to exceed \$1800 yearly, effective I-2021; with an additional \$50 a meeting to the mayor pro-tem when they run the meeting in the mayor's absence, effective I-2018; seconded by Emily. The motion passed 5-0.

## Special liquor permit

#### **ACTION**

Valerie moved to approve the Service Club's application for the Special Liquor Permit for Flag Day; seconded by Darcie. Motion carried 5-0.

# Interviewing for public works supervisor

There were three interviews conducted before the council meeting and one after meeting tonight.

# **Public works report**

See the notes from Paul Sifford, temporary public works.

#### Other:

# All-terrain vehicles in town

Deputy Nye has been contacted twice recently regarding youth driving around town on four-wheelers. If the town council decides it does not want WATV's to be driven within the town, there is no need for an ordinance stating that WATV's are not allowed. According to RCW 46.09.455(d), a person may not operate a wheeled all-terrain vehicle on a public roadway within the boundaries of a city or town, unless the city or town by ordinance has approved the operation of wheeled all-terrain vehicles on city or town roadways. Any child on an ATV-type vehicle is illegal. We will consider different communities' ordinances.

# **Compliments/Complaints**

408 W Carlton Nuisance complaint about amount of chickens on property

The family discussed their set-up regarding their chickens. Said that they have secured the fence so the chickens can no longer escape, and the smell has been contained. They also have two miniature goats on the property. The council asked to have Terry Ottosen visit the residence.

## Dates to remember:

Cheryl possibly May 26-30 back to work on the 31st

Small City Connectors May 9 in Chewelah

May 10 in Dayton

# **A**DJOURN

With no further business, the council meeting adjourned at Adjourned 7:25.

KayDee Gilkey, Mayor

Cheryl Loeffler, Clerk/Treasurer