

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 7, 2019

6:00

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Mayor KayDee Gilkey called the May 7, 2019 regular council meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mayor and Town Council members present: KayDee Gilkey, Melissa Lunsford, Jamie Paden, Valerie Rogers, George Davidson and Emily Thomas.

Others present: **Walt Edelen, Vicki Carter;** Ashley Lightfoot, Cyndee Davidson, David Watling & CeCe Livingston; Justin Gust; Perry Paden; Eileen Moffitt; Terry & Sarah Phillips; Sandra Cook; Teresa Holm; Mark Matherly; Kevin Finley; Travis Holmberg; Mary Pestana; Mary Lou Day; Tim & Natalie Murphy, Jason & Lindsey Pestana; Devin Billington; Cheryl Loeffler and two Spokane County Sheriff Deputies.

Approval of the Minutes

ACTION

Jamie Paden moved to approve the minutes as read from the regular council meeting of April 16, 2019; seconded by George Davidson. The motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Claims

ACTION

Jamie Paden moved to approve the claims for May 7, 2019 with EFTs #676-683 totaling \$9,513.40 and checks #19608-19638 totaling \$21,397.02; seconded by George Davidson. The motion carried 5-0.

05/07/2019	
Claims	\$16,882.36
Payroll	14,028.06
Total Paid	\$30,910.42

Check register signed by George Davidson, Valerie Rogers and Jamie Paden.

Payroll checks #19606, 19607, 19609, 19612 were voided due to printing and operator errors.

Checks 19639-19699 were destroyed because of new routing number for bank. New checks begin with 19700.

Guest

Walt Edelen & Vicki Carter from Spokane Conservation District gave a presentation of the different programs available to the public through the Conservation District. They can be accessed at their website.

Eileen Moffitt-Top Options

Eileen has opened a hair salon at 205 E Main Street. She is very excited about the marketing response she received and wants to help Fairfield become a healthy economic community.

Perry Paden

Military Wall of Honor

The Military Wall of Honor has had the plaques removed, power washed, wood stained, and the plaques placed in their permanent location, all done for \$134.36. There could be possibly over 80 plaques placed on the 27th of May. The ceremony is set to start at 2:00. There will be several State and County dignitaries present. Perry thanked Jamie, Devin and Cheryl for all their help with the wall.

Memorial Gardens

Val & Perry have been working at cleaning up the empty space behind the public works shop. JET Construction has donated the chipper and time to clean up the pile of limbs and Angie & Steve Walk have brought their rototiller to begin getting the ground worked up. Devin has been volunteering many after-work hours to help clean up the area. Bulbs and annuals will probably be planted around the three standing trees, but most of the area will be planted in roses and/or other perennials. It is going to take many volunteer hours to get it going and both Val and Perry want everyone to know they are welcome to come and help.

Mark Matherly

Water billing & wrong meter numbers

Mr. Matherly came with concerns about the possibility of the town charging some of the citizens for water that they have not used. There were questions about the previous and current meter readings. Mayor Gilkey, Jamie and Emily explained that when someone has a concern about their water usage, they will bring it to the attention of the clerk. Meters are re-read if there are questionable amounts, Cheryl runs a report before bills are sent out to double check the charges. Mistakes happen and when they do, they are corrected. It is not the town or the town employees' intent to purposely overcharge any of our citizens.

OLD BUSINESS

Sound system

KayDee will send the link to get the equipment ordered.

NEW BUSINESS

PCIB

Building Permit

2019-03 New home on 613 Marll Court

This is a new set-up on a slab that had been poured for a previous permit. This plan meets all the setbacks. It is the recommendation of the PCIB that the council approve Building Permit #2019-03.

ACTION

Emily moved to approve Building Permit 2019-03; seconded by Melissa. Motion carries 5-0.

Special Occasion liquor permit for Flag Day Dance

The Service Club had to apply for a second special occasion license for the dance in the Community Center. Washington State Liquor Control Board merged the applications and made one for two locations.

ACTION

Emily moved to approve the newer special occasion license for Flag Day, seconded by Jamie. Motion carries 5-0.

Public works report

Sewer: Ms. Dianna's WWTF Inspection is set for the 16th from 9:30AM-3PM.

IRWA: Sludge Judging; Information. (Idaho Rural Water)

Camera sewer lines

Streets: Quadrants/ Town Sections

Dump Truck to Bills Service

Snow removal concern- Suggestions for improvement

Parks: Park Restrooms are open for the season. PW will be checking the restrooms at least once per week during the time they are open.

Drinking fountains- update

Water: SCADA – (update) grants/loans

Drinking water concerns

Sanitary Survey- Update

General:

PW Survey went out with the newsletter
May 8-12 Devin is out of town, please contact by phone if needed.

An Example of a Regular Task: Free Chlorine (15 Min.)

Fairfield Public Works measures the Free Chlorine in our water system each day to insure safe drinking water. Washington DOH recommends 0.2 PPM and no more than 4.0 PPM (Mg/L) we comply with these expectations to the best of our ability and work with DOH to accomplish this. The Free Chlorine is the amount of chlorine residual that is still active in our system and the part that can still neutralize any harmful bacteria that could possibly be in our water system. If you ever smell chlorine when you are using your water this isn't necessarily due to too much chlorine, it may be due to the chlorine working and doing its job, chlorine will smell when it is reacting to a new substance and is working to decontaminate. For example, if you install new pipes in your house you may have a strong chlorine odor temporarily.

Other

Dennis Baysinger has moved into 107 S Fairweather and has been in the process of replacing his sewer line since he moved in. Currently, his sewer pipe is not connected to the system and he is asking the council to forgive the sewer charges until he gets reconnected. He has been charged twice so far.

ACTION

Jamie moved to credit Dennis Baysinger for the two sewer charges he has been charged since he is not currently connected to the system; seconded by George. The motion carries 5-0.

Compliments/Complaints

Public works was always quick to respond when someone called in with a concern about the snow.

Dates to remember

- May 8 Cheryl has Doctor's appointment
- May 10 EWFOA meeting (financial officers)
- May 13-17 Candidate filing
- May 27 Military Wall of Honor

ADJOURN

With no further business, the council meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

KayDee Gilkey, Mayor

Cheryl Loeffler, Clerk/Treasurer