

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 17, 2022

6:00

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Mayor Jamie Paden called the May 17, 2022 regular council meeting to order at 6:01.

Town Council members present were Alisha Anderson, Jacob Warren, Steven Walk, Valerie Rogers and Emily Thomas.

Others present were Perry Paden; Jerry and Judy Logan; Anita and Jay Shuman; Connie and Brent Barratt; Dennis Crain; Hunter Pederson; Dawn Hillsbery; Teresa Holm, Terry Phillips; Angela Walk; Anthony Schurr; Richard Ralidis; Devin Billington and Cheryl Loeffler.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Excuse Mayor from May 3, 2022

ACTION

Emily Thomas moved to excuse Mayor Paden from the May 3, 2022 regular council meeting; seconded by Steven Walk. The motion was approved 5-0.

Guest-Rick Hurd

Mr. Hurd notified Cheryl that he was unable to attend tonight's meeting to discuss the housing development at Jackson Road but wanted to reschedule for June 7th,

Engineer's Report

CDBG Project Sewer Replacement Portland Ave and First Street Alley (Portland to Seward)

A letter was received from Andrea Perry, the director at Spokane County Community Services, Housing and Community Development (CSHCD) Department. They support our suggestion for reducing the project scope in the updated bid specs and putting it out for bid again. Once additional bidders have been offered this opportunity and responded, they will know more about the upcoming Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation for this year and can make a determination at that time if the HCD Division will have funds available to add to the project. The original bid must be rejected by council and a new motion made to go back out to bid.

ACTION

Steve moved to reject the original bid from National Native American Construction (NNAC) in the amount of \$417,892.98 and to put the CDBG Project Sewer Replacement Portland Ave and First Street Alley (Portland to Seward) back out for bid with the reduced scope of the project and the full project; seconded by Valerie. The motion was approved 5-0.

Cheryl will contact Bryan and have him prepare the Call for Bids.

Old Business

Security camera

Jacob presented a policy to the council that they will review for the next council meeting.

Digital reader board

Between Jacob and public works, they want to try some tricks before we commit to Stewart Sign's mobile plan.

Mosquito fogging

Kevin Turnbough has agreed to be the applicator now just need the good weather. It will not be happening this Thursday. The temperature has to be at least 53 degrees and wind no stronger than 5 mph

Military Wall of Honor

Perry Paden is expecting between 75-250 Veterans on Bikes to ride into Fairfield. They will be staging on North 2nd. What-a-Kitchen will be serving food noon to 1pm. He would like the town to purchase some pop-up tents to help protect the audience from the heat. If purchased, they could be utilized for other events throughout the year and would be more conveniently used if they were no larger than 10x 12. The purchase could be funded from the park fund and summer programs. The Upper Columbia Academy has donated 120 bottles of water.

ACTION

Emily moved to approve the purchasing of pop-up tents to be used during the Military Wall of Honor and other town events, to be no larger than 10x12 and not to exceed \$300 including sales tax; seconded by Valerie.

Flag Day

The club has still not heard back from the Civil War group. Breakfast will be served by the Fireman's Association from 7-10 at the community center and there will not be a lunch served there.

NEW BUSINESS

Baseball diamond

Since the Pit project is progressing, the idea was presented to move the diamond to the southwest corner of the field, which is where it was originally. Now would be the time to do it before the sprinkler system is installed. A quick survey will be posted and the coaches will be asked for their input. There are a lot of kids playing this year and they don't have enough space currently to hold two practices at the same time. It was mentioned that in years past, the old school grounds or (Hahner Field) was used mostly for T-ball. A portable backstop was brought in.

Previously, there has been discussion to use some of the RCO grant funds to place a sign at the top of the road to the Pit to make the entrance more visible. The grounds are public and no one should have to be harassed for going down to the field.

Department report

Alisha Anderson-Streets

Alisha presented her department report. She has been working at getting the "Yard of the Season" ready to go. Organized the dust control and got the second bid for that. The road will be swept right before Flag Day and we have purchased new flags for the streetlights, which will be hung right before Memorial Day.

Public Works Report

Sewer

- WW samples went in today.
- New UV lights and ballasts

Streets:

- We will be sweeping off gravel and sand, and prepping roads for street sweepers.
- Street flags for Main St. will be swapped out next week.
- Grader blade back, we will be installing back on the grader with new cutting edges.

Parks

- Weed control will continue as weather allows.

Water:

- AMI Water Meter System. Continuing to install meters. Functioning AMI system.
- Bacteria sample went in today.
- Installation of SO#2 Water Meter
- EPA, ERG will be back out for a follow up visit.

General:

- The chipping day on May 14th went well.
Thank you to the Fairfield Service Club for helping residents get their debris down there and everything else you put together that day. Very much appreciated.

An Example of a Regular Task: Water Use Efficiency Report (WUE) (3 HRS)

The WUE is a report that each water system fills out every year by July first. This report allows water systems and DOH to see how much water is being produced, sold, and approximate water loss. This helps the town to determine how to possibly alleviate some water loss issues. The town also can plan in this report how consumers can conserve some water. This report once completed is then submitted to DOH.

Approval of the Minutes from May 3, 2022 regular council meeting

Jacob asked to have the minutes revised to state that he apologized for not sending an email to address his absence at the April 19, 2022 meeting.

The first motion that was made and approved, approving Shamrock for dust control will be removed and the actual motion should read that Jacob moved to table the talk of using the utility tax for dust control; seconded by Steve.

Emily moved to amend her motion from the same meeting to notify the residents that we will be applying dust control but the price has not been solidified in the upcoming newsletter but the town would provide a match up to 100 linear feet for the residents who purchase the dust control, with the maximum matching budget set at \$10,000; seconded by Jacob. The amendment passed 4-0.

ACTION

Steve moved to approve the minutes from May 3, 2022 as revised; seconded by Emily. The minutes were approved 5-0.

Approval of the May 17, 2022 Claims

Steve moved and Alisha seconded to authorize paying the claims of May 17, 2022 with EFTs for total amount of \$7,987.79 and checks #20879-20889 for a total of \$25,034.83. The motion was approved 4-0 with Jacob abstaining.

	05-17-2022
Claims	\$23,548.65
Payroll	9,473.97
Total Paid	\$33,022.62

Signed by Steven Walk, Valerie Rogers and Alisha Anderson.

Compliments/Complaints

Cheryl Fulton-Fischer sent an email complimenting public works on the wonderful job that was done mowing the grounds at the Fairfield Cemetery.

Dates to Remember

May 23, 2022 Cheryl out to take husband for procedure.

Adjourn

With no further business, the council meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Jamie Paden Mayor

Cheryl Loeffler, Clerk/Treasurer