

**CITY OF MOXEE, WASHINGTON  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 24, 2019  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL**

Mayor LaBree opened the Regular Council Meeting at 7:01 PM.

Present:

Council: Mayor Greg LaBree and Council Members: Maravell Gonsioroski, Larry Frank, Rob Layman, and Tom Hattrup  
Staff: Byron Adams, City Supervisor, Amy Conger, Assistant City Clerk and Police Chief Burkett  
Absent: Kristi Heilman, City Clerk-Treasurer and LeRoy Lenseigne  
Guests: None

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 10, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor LaBree asked if there were any corrections, additions or omissions to the minutes of October 10, 2019. There were none.

**ACTION NO. 1** Council member Gonsioroski made a motion to accept the minutes as prepared. Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**2. RESOLUTION 2019-12 A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY SUPERVISOR TO WAIVE CERTAIN CONTRACT BIDDING PROCESSES FOR THE WELL #2 REPLACEMENT PROJECT INCLUDING PIPING AND ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS**

City Supervisor Adams announced to the Mayor and Council that Well #2 has been taken off line and will probably need to be replaced with a new well. He explained that pressure issues were discovered last week and after several attempts to diagnose the issue it was deduced that one of the well screens may have failed. The well was pumping up sand and filter packing. The Mayor and Council members were given an Engineer's Opinion of Construction Cost reflecting the total estimated project cost to replace Well #2 of \$1,226,200. Adams has contacted the City's insurance company and has been told that in some cases the cost of replacing the well may be covered under the insurance policy. It will require a diagnosis of the well to determine if the well casing failed or if corrosion was the issue. The estimated cost to diagnose the issue would be between \$40,000 - \$50,000. The Department of Health offers an Emergency loan program with zero interest up to \$500,000. Adams is exploring alternative financing sources including City reserves for the project. Adams noted that well drillers at this time are about two to three months out and the well would take an estimated three months to drill and to get back on line. This Resolution will declare this situation as an emergency which will allow the City Supervisor to waive the competitive bidding process to undertake the repair or replacement of the well. Mayor LaBree read Resolution 2019-12, a Resolution declaring an emergency and authorizing the City Supervisor to waive certain contract bidding processes for Well #2 replacement project including piping and electrical improvements.

**ACTION NO. 2** Council member Frank made a motion to pass and adopt Resolution 2019-12, a Resolution declaring an emergency and authorizing the City Supervisor to waive certain contract bidding processes for Well #2 replacement project including piping and electrical improvements. Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**3. REVIEW 2020 LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (COMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT) WITH THE YAKIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Chief Burkett noted that this contract is for dispatch services through the Yakima County Sheriff's Office and that this year's contract reflects an increase of 13%. Last year's contract amount was \$22,312 and this year's contract amount is \$25,654. The increase is an attempt by YSO to bring all agencies into a more balanced and equitable payment plan.

**ACTION NO. 3** Council member Hatstrup made a motion to approve the 2020 Law Enforcement Assistance Agreement (Communications Contract) with the Yakima County Sheriff's Office. Council member Gonsioroski seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**4. REVIEW 2020 CORRECTIONS/DETENTION AGREEMENT WITH THE YAKIMA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

Chief Burkett stated that this year's contract reflects about a 4% increase of the daily rate per prisoner. The scale runs from \$61.50 to \$67.50 per day per inmate, and the rate for special needs prisoners, such as prisoners on suicide watch is \$105.25 per day per inmate.

**ACTION NO. 4** Council member Layman made a motion to approve the 2020 Interlocal Corrections/Detention Agreement with Yakima County Department of Corrections. Council member Hatstrup seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**5. ORDINANCE #797, AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE DAY AND TIME OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS**

Mayor LaBree read Ordinance #797, an Ordinance setting the day and time of the City Council regular meetings. This Ordinance will change the City Council Regular Meetings from twice a month to once a month on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM.

**ACTION NO. 5** Council member Layman made a motion to approve Ordinance #797 an Ordinance setting the day and time of the City Council Regular Meetings Council member Frank seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**6. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLL CHECKS AS IDENTIFIED ON THE CLERK'S JOURNAL**

Mayor LaBree asked for a motion to approve Claims Check Number 34710 through 34722 plus any direct deposits in the amount of \$41,738.40 dated October 24, 2019. Payroll Check numbers 28983 through 28997 plus any direct deposits in the amount of \$39,479.26 dated October 15, 2019 and Payroll Check number 28982 in the amount of \$54.26.

**ACTION NO. 6** Council member Gonsioroski made a motion to approve the above-mentioned checks. Council member Hatstrup seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**PD Reports:**

Chief Burkett noted that Officer Lopez has done a good job and was able to solve an old burglary case. Burkett also reported that the State training in the PD building went well.

**Strip Mall Update:**

City Supervisor Adams noted that Slow Burn has it's sign up and Moxee Pizza is planning to move into one of the spaces where they will offer inside dining as well as serving beer and wine. That will leave only two units unoccupied at this time.

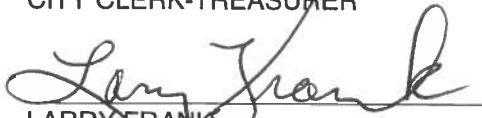
**ADJOURNMENT**

**ACTION NO. 7**

Council member Frank made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:35 PM. Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**ATTEST:**

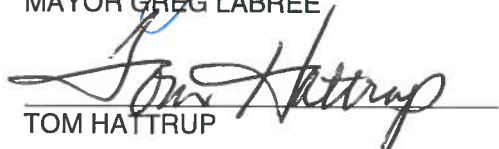
  
CITY CLERK-TREASURER

  
LARRY FRANK

  
MARAVELL GONSIOROSKI

  
ROB LAYMAN

  
MAYOR GREG LABREE

  
TOM HATTRUP

*Absent*  
LERROY LENSEIGNE