

**CITY OF MOXEE, WASHINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 8, 2021
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL**

Mayor Pro Tem Lenseigne opened the Regular Council Meeting at 7:00 PM.

Present:

Council: Mayor Pro Tem LeRoy Lenseigne and Council Members: David Roy, Jan Hutchinson, Rob Layman and Larry Frank
Staff: Byron Adams, City Supervisor, Kristi Heilman, City Clerk-Treasurer, Amy Conger Assistant City Clerk and Police Chief Burkett
Absent:
Guests: Connie Lenseigne and Nicole Robillard

1. CITY CLERK TREASURER TO SWEAR IN COUNCIL MEMBER / MAYOR PRO TEM LEROY LENSEIGNE AS MAYOR

City Clerk Treasurer Heilman swore in Council member / Mayor Pro Tem LeRoy Lenseigne with the Oath of Office for the position of Mayor.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MARCH 11, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Lenseigne asked if there were any corrections, additions, or omissions to the minutes of March 11, 2021. There were none.

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

3. REVIEW AN ADMINISTRATION ADJUSTMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF RIGHT OF WAY FROM STEVE AND MAUREEN FAUBIAN FOR THE MORRIER LANE EXTENSION PROJECT.

City Supervisor Adams reminded the Council that at the last council meeting the Council agreed to an Administrative Adjustment for the purchase of right of way for the Morrier Lane Extension Project from Steve and Maureen Faubian. Adams was able to talk to Steve and Maureen Faubian regarding the proposed administrative adjustment and the Faubians agreed with the proposed administrative adjustment. Adams read through process of the actual administrative adjustment so it would be on the record. The council agreed to the administrative adjustment.

ACTION NO. 2 Council member Layman made a motion to approve the Administrative Adjustment for the purchase of right of way from Steve and Maureen Faubian for the Morrier Lane Extension Project of \$152,200 which includes the administrative adjustment. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. REVIEW A POSTAL SERVICE LEASE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 202 E SEATTLE AVE (POST OFFICE)

City Supervisor Adams noted that the Post Office lease is due to expire 11/30/2021 and he has been in talks with the US Postal Service regarding a new lease. The USPS wants to have a new lease agreement in place prior to the expiration of the current lease. The lease agreement is for a 5-year term with two 5-year extension. The current lease agreement is \$1405.00 per month or \$16,860 per year. Adams is seeking a new lease in the amount of \$23,000 per year for the first 5 years. The second 5-year extension will \$25,630 per year and the third 5-year extension will be \$28,190 per year, Adams has had the City Attorney review the lease as well. He noted that there is a one-time commission fee being charged of 2.5% for the first year only.

5. RESOLUTION 2021-02 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOXEE, WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A NEW LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

Mayor Lenseigne read Resolution 2021-02, a Resolution of the City Council of the City Moxee, Washington authorizing the Mayor to enter into a new lease agreement with the United States Postal Service

ACTION NO. 3 Council member Frank made a motion to pass and adopt Resolution 2021-02, a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a new lease agreement with the United States Postal Service. Council member Roy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. RESOLUTION 2021-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOXEE, WASHINGTON AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF THE CONTRACT RETAINAGE TO HOLT SERVICES INC FOR THE WELL #4 DRILLING, CASING, TESTING AND PUMP PROJECT

City Supervisor Adams noted the City has received authorization from L&I, Employment Security and the Department of Revenue that there are no liens on the project and that the retainage on the contract is ready to be released. The retainage on the project is \$51,024.90. Mayor Lenseigne read Resolution 2021-03, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Moxee, Washington authorizing the release of the contract retainage to Holt Services Inc. for the Well #4 drilling, casing, testing and pump project.

ACTION NO. 4 Council member Roy made a motion to pass and adopt Resolution 2021-03 a Resolution authorizing the release of the contract retainage to Holt Services Inc. for the Well #4 Drilling, Casing, Testing and Pump Project. Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

7. DISCUSS OPENING OF CITY POOL FOR 2021 POOL SEASON

City Supervisor Adams was seeking a decision by the City Council as to whether the City Pool should open for the 2021 season. Adams noted that currently in Phase 3 the pool is restricted only 50% capacity, which would limit the number of swimmers to 46. If the County were to drop to Phase 2 it would limit capacity to only 25%. Adams biggest concern is that the City would not be able to find enough people to staff the pool for the season. Staffing has always been an issue. After a consensus of the Mayor and Council it was agreed that the pool would not open for the 2021 season.

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

Mayor Lenseigne asked for a motion to approve the following checks:

Claims Check Nos. 35770 – 35825 plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$231,955.88

Payroll Check Nos. 29784 – 29827 plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$136,257.46

ACTION NO. 5 Council member Roy made a motion to approve the above-mentioned checks. Council member Frank seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chickens inside City limits

City Supervisor Adams noted that after a survey of several cities in our area there are several different determinations by each city. City of Yakima allows 5 or less, Naches- Chickens not allowed at large, Selah-2 chickens, 2 rabbits, Union Gap 2 chickens , 2 rabbits. After some discussion, the Mayor and Council members decided to allow 4 chickens but that there should be some restrictions. They asked Adams to a create an Ordinance that would change the Moxee

Municipal code to allow chickens. Adams noted that chickens will not be allowed until a formal adoption of an Ordinance is in place. Adams stated he will have one ready for the next Council meeting in May.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Moxee Skate Park

City Supervisor Adams noted that the City has received some proposals for improvements to the City's skate park. Police Chief Burkett showed the Mayor and Council members a picture of a "pump track" which is a popular attraction at skate parks. The cost for a 55' x 55' pump track is roughly \$55,000. With materials and setup, the price would run about \$75,000. The decision will be where to place it. Chief Burkett and City Supervisor Adams will get some more information based on the proposed location.

PD STATS:

Police Chief Burkett gave the police stats for the last month.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION NO. 6 Council member Frank made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:41 PM. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK-TREASURER



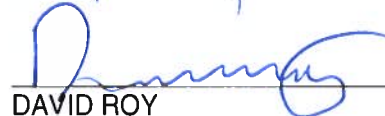
MAYOR LEROY LENSEIGNE



JAN HUTCHINSON

Absent

LARRY FRANK



DAVID ROY



ROB LAYMAN