

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

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

Council: Mayor LeRoy Lenseigne and Council Members: David Roy, Larry Frank, Jan Hutchinson and Rob Layman
Staff: Byron Adams, City Supervisor, Kristi Heilman, City Clerk-Treasurer, Amy Conger Assistant City Clerk and Police Chief Burkett
Absent: Greg Spurgin
Guests: Holly Sharp, Dale Hille-EVFD#4 Chief, Connie Lenseigne, Neil Hutchinson, Nica Sandoval and Dennis Pierce

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 10, 2021, CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Lenseigne asked if there were any corrections, additions, or omissions to the minutes of June 10, 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.

2. REVIEW FINAL PLAT FOR HATTRUP HEIGHTS PHASES 2 AND 3

City Supervisor Adams reported that the infrastructure improvements for Hatstrup Heights Phases 2 & 3 are almost complete, and the roads are all paved. Hayden Homes has provided the City with a \$500,000 bond in place to cover the nearly \$300,000 worth of improvements yet to be completed. Hayden Homes is seeking approval of the Council to approve the final plat for Hatstrup Heights Phases 2 & 3 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the final plat.

ACTION NO. 2 Council member Roy made a motion to approve the Final Plat for Hatstrup Heights Phases 2 & 3 and to authorize the Mayor to sign the Final plat. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. REVIEW AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MOXEE AND YAKIMA COUNTY FOR CA SERVICES FOR THE SR 24 PATHWAY PROJECT

City Supervisor Adams noted that when federal dollars are used, the project has to be administered by an approved certified acceptance agency. The City has been awarded \$280,000 for the design and right of way for the SR 24 Pathway Project. Yakima County is certified and the City has used them in the past to administer projects, Yakima County will bill the City on a time and materials basis. This is the same agreement that the City has entered into on several occasions in the past. The completion of design and right of way will make the project ready for the construction phase when funding becomes available. There were no questions from the council.

ACTION NO. 3 Council member Layman made a motion authorizing the City to enter into an agreement for Certified Acceptance Services between Yakima County and the City of Moxee for the SR 24 Pathway Project. Council member Roy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. REVIEW THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE CORONA VIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS

City Supervisor Adams informed the Council that the U.S. Department of Treasury announced the launch of the Corona State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds established by the American Rescue Plan Act 2021 (ARPA). The Act provides \$350 billion in funding for eligible state and local government and details how these funds can be spent. The City of Moxee will possibly receive \$1.3 million over a 2 year period. Adams gave Council a list of eligible projects and asked them to start thinking about how they want to spend these funds.

5. REVIEW A REQUEST TO SUBMIT TIB GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS

City Supervisor Adams is seeking Council approval to submit 3 grant applications for TIB funding. The three projects include:

1. Iler Street grind and overlay from Park Avenue to Naches Avenue for approximately \$300,000.
2. Moxee Avenue from Iler Street to Tacoma Avenue, remove the street trees, repair sidewalks and plant new trees for approximately \$250,000.
3. Crack sealing for approximately \$100,000.

ACTION NO. 4 Council member Roy made a motion to approve the submittal of 3 applications to TIB. Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. REVIEW A REQUEST TO HAVE A FREE SWIM NIGHT AT THE CITY POOL AUGUST 6TH AND 7TH BETWEEN 6 AND 10 PM FOR THE HOP FESTIVAL.

Holly Sharp from the East Valley Community Enhancement Association addressed the Mayor and Council members to request a "Free Swim Night" at the Moxee Memorial Pool on August 6th and 7th between 6 and 10 PM for the Hop Festival. City Supervisor Adams stated the pool staff believes they have the staff to cover the proposed event. EVCEA is seeking Council's approval.

ACTION NO. 5 Council member Hutchinson made a motion to approve Free Swim Nights at the Moxee Memorial Pool on August 6th and 7th. Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

7. NOMINATIONS FOR MAYOR PRO-TEM POSITION

City Supervisor Adams asked the Council members to appoint a Council member to the Mayor Pro-tem position that was vacated when LeRoy Lenseigne took over the position of Mayor. Council member Hutchinson nominated David Roy. All the Council members agreed to appoint David Roy as Mayor Pro-tem.

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. 35936 – 35999 plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$140,086.38

Payroll Check Nos. 29923 – 29981 plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$154,118.09

ACTION NO. 6 Council member Roy made a motion to approve the above-mentioned checks. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

FIREWORKS: Dennis Pierce addressed the Mayor and Council of his objections to the 4th of July fireworks in Moxee. He raised concerns of people from out of town coming to Moxee to set off fireworks. Mayor Lenseigne told Mr. Pierce that the Council will be reviewing options for future fireworks but also noted that anything they change will not go into effect for one year after passage as required by State law.

Fire Chief Hille from EV Fire District #4 stated that the Fire Department received 4 calls, 2 of which were turned away and one was related to fireworks. Chief Burkett reported 2 complaints of early discharging of fireworks. On the evening of the 4th there was one small fire that was easily extinguished. There were no injuries reported, no arrests and no domestic violence reported. Burkett felt that there were less people in town this year.

HOP FESTIVAL: Holly Sharp reported to the Mayor and Council the planned activities for this year's Hop Festival. She also showed them a sample flyer of the event. She said that there will be 2 stages, 16 inflatable children's games There will be t-shirt sales and there will be a parade on Saturday.

NEW POLICE OFFICER: Chief Burkett introduced Moxee Police Department's newest police officer, Christopher Reese.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION NO. 7 Council member Layman made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 8:09 PM. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK-TREASURER



JAN HUTCHINSON

Absent

DAVID ROY



MAYOR LEROY LENSEIGNE



LARRY FRANK



ROB LAYMAN