

**CITY OF MOXEE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 10, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS-CITY HALL**

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

Present:

Council: Mayor and Council Members: Mayor LeRoy Lenseigne, Greg Spurgin, Rob Layman, David Roy, and Jan Hutchinson.

Staff: Jeff Burkett, Police Chief/Acting City Supervisor; Amy Conger, Assistant City Clerk/ Acting City Clerk-Treasurer; and Amanda Wesselius, Assistant City Clerk.

Absent: Kristi Heilman, Larry Frank

Guests: Connie Lenseigne, Neil Hutchinson, Doug White, and E Paula Heine

1. APPROVE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 10, 2022, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Mayor Lenseigne asked if there were any corrections, additions, or omissions to the minutes of February 10, 2022. There were none.

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

2. PROGRESS PAYMENT #4 TO SELLAND CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE WORK PERFORMED ON THE MORRIER LANE EXTENSION PROJECT THROUGH FEBRUARY 25, 2022.

Mayor Lenseigne read a letter from HLA regarding the recommendation to make the progress payment #4 to Selland Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$288,046.08 for work performed through February 25, 2022, on the Morrier Lane Extension Project. Police Chief/Acting City Supervisor Burkett said the water and sewer lines are finished up, water testing had been done and had passed. Work on the roadbed construction is beginning soon. We are right on track.

ACTION NO. 2 Council member Layman made a motion to authorize progress payment #4 to Selland Construction, Inc. for work performed through February 25, 2022, on the Morrier Lane Extension Project in the amount of \$288,046.08.
Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. RESOLUTION 2022-03 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MOXEE, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH YAKIMA VALLEY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Police Chief/Acting City Supervisor Burkett discussed the new agreement with Yakima Valley Office of Emergency Management. He stated the agreement is basically same as before for providing the City with administrative services and to act as a liaison in the event of a natural disaster. The rate has increased by approximately 6¢ per person. The rate is based on population. The 2022 rate will be \$4435.

ACTION NO. 3 Council member Roy made a motion authorizing the Mayor to sign Resolution 2022-03 executing an agreement with Yakima Valley Office of Emergency Management.
Council member Spurgin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. RESOLUTION 2022-04 A RESOLUTION NAMING THE AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT POOL (LGIP)

Police Chief/Acting City Supervisor Burkett stated that due to staffing changes, Resolution 2022-04 will be tabled until next Council meeting.

5. DOUG WHITE (DEM.) US CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE DISTRICT 4 INTRODUCTION TO MOXEE CITY COUNCIL.

Doug White (Dem.) US Congressional Candidate District 4 spoke to the City Council introducing himself with a brief description of his background and a brief discussion on his political goals.

6. EAST VALLEY COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT ASSOCIATION CITY DECORATIONS.

Representatives Gina Crane and Lisa Sharples with the East Valley Community Enhancement Association spoke about the holiday decorations that have been put up by EVCEA around the City stating they had received a lot of positive feedback. Crane stated they have spent their budget on the decorations purchased to date with last year's City donation of \$1500. Crane asked that the City donate an additional \$1500 to help with the purchase of City decorations. They had enough to cover Easter decorations. They are planning Patriotic Decorations for May through July and Hop Decorations for August and September. That will complete the decorations needed for the year. Crane stated that the decorations purchased are reusable and EVCEA has a storage space to store all decorations so, there will be no need to make any more large purchases in the future.

ACTION NO. 4 Council member Spurgin made a motion authorizing the donation of \$1500 to EVCEA decorating committee for the purchase of City decorations.

Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried

7. REVIEW THE 2022 SPRING BULLETIN

The Mayor and Council were given copies of the proposed Spring Bulletin for 2022 to review and comment on. The Mayor and Council all approved of the 2022 Spring Bulletin.

8. YAKIMA VALLEY CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTS REGIONAL CRIME RESOURCE CENTER.

Police Lieutenant Lewis stated he had a proposal from Yakima Valley Council of Government (YVCOG) to all law enforcement agencies in the county. YVCOG is proposing staffing of a regional crime center which would include the resources of a crime analyst and NIBN machine. Lewis stated that the NIBN machine would not be an asset to Moxee since what it would provide as a service is already being provided at no cost by the Washington State crime lab. Lewis also stated the crime analyst would be the only portion that would be helpful at times to Moxee. Lewis stated he will be meeting with YVCOG's representative Chris Wickenhagen next week to discuss ideas for the crime resource center that would be more beneficial to Moxee which would be a forensic electronics examiner which is not currently available in the county. There is a request for a decision on participation needed by April 29, 2022. Lewis stated the current price to join is about \$6000 per year but, would likely increase since the price is determined by the number of departments participating. Lewis stated he did not think at this point many planned to participate.

9. APPROVE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL CHECKS AS IDENTIFIED ON THE CLERK'S JOURNAL.

Payroll Check Nos. 30371 – 30417 Plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$137,542.50

Claims Check Nos. 36398 – 36453 Plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$312,025.78

ACTION NO. 7 Council member Roy made a motion to approve the above-mentioned checks.

Council member Layman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Chief/Acting City Supervisor Burkett noted that the Barbershop is currently up to date in their lease payment and utility bill.

Assistant City Clerk/Acting City Clerk-Treasurer Amy Conger gave an update on the Fireworks Survey. Conger noted that the surveys had been mailed out and door hangers delivered. Conger stated approximately 1450 surveys went out and to date approximately 51 had been returned.

Police Chief/Acting City Supervisor Burkett discussed the park bathrooms stating that the updates and improvements were now complete. Stalls were built, a ceiling was put up, and motion lights were installed. Burkett noted that improvements are graffiti resistant. Burkett presented the Council with pictures of the park bathrooms after the updates and improvements were completed.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Assistant City Clerk/Acting City Clerk-Treasurer Amy Conger reported that payroll check no. 30407 issued on 2/28/2022 was reported as lost and reissued as check no. 30417.

POLICE BUSINESS:

Police Lieutenant Lewis reported the Moxee Police Department had 100 incidents in the last month and 10 arrests. He also reported that there were a couple of fentanyl related overdose cases. Lewis also noted that the COVID related staffing shortages were done, and they have been back to full staff. Lewis reported that there were no more car prowls in the past month.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION NO. 8 Council member Hutchinson made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:34 PM.

Council member Spurgin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK -TREASURER



MAYOR LEROY LENSEIGNE




ROB LAYMAN



GREG SPURGIN



JAN HUTCHINSON



DAVID ROY

Absent
LARRY FRANK