

**CITY OF MOXEE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 16, 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, David Roy, Jan Hutchinson and Larry Frank.

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

Absent: Rob Layman

Guests: Connie Lenseigne, Neil Hutchinson, Mandy Burkett

1. APPROVE MINUTES FROM APRIL 14, 2022, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Mayor Lenseigne asked if there were any corrections, additions, or omissions to the minutes of April 14, 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 #6 TO SELLAND CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE WORK PERFORMED ON THE MORRIER LANE EXTENSION PROJECT THROUGH APRIL 25, 2022

Police Chief/City Supervisor Burkett stated that the final walk through for Morrier Lane Extension was scheduled to be on May 17, 2022. The streetlight poles are currently on back order, but power is to the boxes and run through pedestals. Burkett stated he expected the road to be open in about 1 week. Mayor Lenseigne read a letter from HLA regarding the recommendation to make progress payment #6 to Selland Construction in the amount of \$374,508.45 for work performed through April 25, 2022.

ACTION NO. 2 Council member Frank made a motion to authorize progress payment #6 to Selland Construction, Inc. for the work performed through April 25, 2022, on the Morrier Lane Extension Project in the amount of \$374,508.45. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. ORDINANCE #823 AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO EMPLOYEE SALARIES, ESTABLISHING PAY RATES FOR SWIMMING POOL EMPLOYEES

Police Chief/City Supervisor Burkett noted that the Washington State minimum wage had increased this year to \$14.49 per hour making it necessary to increase the hourly rates for the Moxee City Pool staff. The Council agreed to raise the hourly rates of all 3 positions of the Moxee City Pool staff. The Pool Manager will be paid \$18.00/hour, the Assistant manager position will be paid \$16.00/hour and the lifeguard position will be paid \$15.00 /hour. Mayor Lenseigne read Ordinance #823 an Ordinance pertaining to certain employee salaries and repealing Ordinance #813 in its entirety.

ACTION NO. 3 Council member Roy made a motion to pass and adopt Ordinance #823, an Ordinance pertaining to certain employee salaries and repealing Ordinance #813 in its entirety. Council member Spurgin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. REVIEW YEAR TO DATE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Police Chief/City Supervisor Burkett went through each fund's revenues and expenditures, noting where each fund should be at this time of year. He also noted that Current Expense and City Streets revenues will increase after receipt of the first half of property taxes which are due in April, but the City will not receive until the first part of May.

5. FIREWORKS SURVEY RESULTS

City Clerk-Treasurer Conger presented the Mayor and Council members with a copy of the results of the 2022 Fireworks Survey. Conger noted that 1424 surveys were sent out and 435 surveys were returned. The results of the survey were 47, Ban Fireworks completely; 94 Ban fireworks, but have the option of a community event; and 294 Allow fireworks leave municipal code as is. Conger also noted several comments that had be made to the City either in person or on the survey cards. A list of comments was also presented to the Mayor and Council. The Council decided that based on the results, at this time the City will focus more on educating the public.

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

Payroll Check Nos. 30486 – 30529 Plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$132,559.06
Claims Check Nos. 36524 – 36577 Plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$219,328.27
Claims Check Nos. 5023 - 5025 for a total of \$358,520.83

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

OLD BUSINESS

Council Member Hutchinson asked for an update on the status of The Barbershop lease. Police Chief/City Supervisor Burkett informed the Council that The Barbershop is current on their lease and utility bill. Burkett presented the Mayor and Council with a copy of the lease. Burkett stated the City will continue to send the Barbershop the Landlord's Notice of Intent To forfeit Lease 10 Day Notice To Cure Defaults/Breaches when the lease and/or the utility bill are past due date.

Council member Roy stated he would like to have the building at 101 S Rivard Rd appraised to potentially sell. Burkett also mentioned that the Fire Department property may be coming up for sale and the City may want to look at it to purchase as a potential community center.

OTHER BUSINESS

Police Chief/City Supervisor Burkett stated that he attended the meeting for East Valley Community Enhancement Association(EVCEA). Burkett stated that EVCEA had requested a free swim night for the community at this year's Hop Festival for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. He also let Council know that the EVCEA was wanting to have inflatables at the park for this year's Hop Festival despite the City no longer being able to allow inflatables in the park due to a lack of insurance coverage. Burkett explained that the City's insurance no longer allowed for inflatables in the park and allowing will put the City at risk. The Council decided not to allow the inflatables and felt they are other options to look at for children's games.

Police Chief/City Supervisor Burkett reported that there had been 1 vehicle theft. Burkett also reported that Officer Josh Mears had interviewed for and had been promoted to the sergeant's position.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION NO. 7 Council member Roy made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 8:20 PM.
Council member Frank seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK -TREASURER

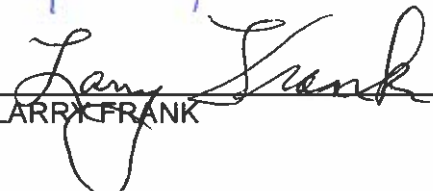

MAYOR LEROY LENSEIGNE

ROB LAYMAN -Absent


GREG SPURGIN


JAN HUTCHINSON


DAVID ROY


LARRY FRANK