

**CITY OF MOXEE, WASHINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2023
COUNCIL CHAMBERS-CITY HALL**

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

Present

Council: Mayor and Council Members: Mayor LeRoy Lenseigne, Greg Spurgin, David Roy, Jan Hutchinson, and Larry Frank.

Staff: Jeff Burkett, City Supervisor/Police Chief; Amy Conger, City Clerk Treasurer; Amanda Wesselius, Assistant City Clerk; Mark Lewis, Police Lieutenant

Absent: Rob Layman

Guests: Neil Hutchinson, Mandy Burkett, Connie Lenseigne, Jennifer Beddard

1. APPROVE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 10, 2023, CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Mayor Lenseigne asked if there were any errors, corrections, or omissions to the minutes of August 10, 2023. There were none.

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

2. YAKIMA VALLEY CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT.

City Supervisor Burkett let the Council know that this agreement was the same as when it was presented to Council previously. As presented before, the cost to the City of Moxee would be \$5985 a year, based on populations. Burkett told the Council that we are asking for an authorization for the mayor to sign the agreement.

ACTION NO. 2 Council member Frank made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the Yakima Valley Crisis Response Unit Interlocal Agreement. Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. PARKS AND REC GRANT, MAYOR AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN.

City Supervisor Burkett let the Council know that the City had a good grant opportunity that would require no matching funds. He stated that in the grant application we would be putting in for a new lawn mower at a cost of \$71,101.06.

ACTION NO. 3 Council member Roy made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the Parks and Rec Grant application.

Council member Spurgin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

City Supervisor Burkett stated that additionally, another grant opportunity had come up with the Department of Commerce to help with updating or creating a climate plan which will get attached to the current comp plan. The cost for the updating is up to \$100,000. Burkett asked for the Council's approval for the mayor to also sign this grant application.

ACTION NO. 4 Council member Roy made a motion to authorize the mayor to sign the Department of Commerce grant application.

Council member Frank seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. WELL #4 UPDATE.

City Supervisor Burkett let the council know that Well #4 had more issues. He stated that 3 weeks ago, we had another alarm from Well #4. When we responded, we found similar conditions to the issue that we had at Well #4 last May. He informed the council that we had the well company come out to look at it. The well company agreed that there was a problem, but not a serious problem at this time. We are now continuing to run it while we continue to monitor it.

5. LAND TRANSFER UPDATES.

City Supervisor Burkett notified Council that regarding the future water reservoir site, the seller is having some issues with his current mortgage company, but we are still on track.

Regarding the sale of the Dump Rd property to Evans Fruit, it is at the title company waiting to be signed. However, we are waiting for the owner of Evan's Fruit to update or correct the business information though the state.

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

Payroll Check Nos. 31291 – 31379 Plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$206,575.25

Claims Check Nos. 37477 – 37536 Plus any Electronic Checks for a total of \$346,633.37

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

Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Police Lieutenant Lewis informed the council that the level of calls has increased. They are up from last year. Lewis also stated that Crime Lab has already had submissions that have resulted in criminal charges and in additional evidence on existing charges, all just the first month of the operation of the lab.

OLD BUSINESS

Jennifer Beddard with the Kids' Market has been coordinating with EVCEA. The date of the Kids' Market at the Moxee City Park will be October 13th, with setup starting at 3:00p.m. and market opening at 4:30p.m. They will continue to sell their product until the movie in the park starts, which is also scheduled for that evening. There is currently 42 kid vendors signed up.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION NO. 6 Council member Roy made a motion to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at 7:27p.m.

Council member Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ATTEST



CITY CLERK-TREASURER



ROB LAYMAN



JAN HUTCHINSON



LARRY FRANK



MAYOR LEROY LENSEIGNE



GREG SPURGIN



DAVID ROY