

Mayor Art Smyth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council Members present were John Housden, Tim Rieb, Avis Erickson, Jan May and Ramiro Villagrana. Also present were City Clerk Treasurer Misty Ruiz, Public Works Director Lee Webster and Police Chief Nattalie Cariker and Administrative Assistant Sandra Miranda.

❖ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE:

Council member Avis Erickson made the motion to approve Mayor's appointment of Judge Ebenger and authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Judge Ebenger for January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021 term similar to the existing judicial contract. Council member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA/MINUTES APPROVAL:

The minutes from the 10/11/2017 Council Meeting and Budget Meeting were reviewed. The final agenda for the November Regular City Council Meeting was also reviewed.

MOTION: Council Member Tim Rieb made the motion to approve the November final agenda as well as the October Minutes. Council Member Jan May seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PAYROLL AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE APPROVAL:

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the City Council.

As of this date, November 8, 2017, the Council, by a majority vote, does approve for payment those vouchers included in the payment list and further described as follows:

October 2017 Manual Claim Fund vouchers 1229, 1230, 2381 - 2384, 57731, 57732, 57745 and 57748 - 57751 in the amount of \$47,016.35 as well as November 2017 Council Claim Fund 2397, 2398 and 57752, 57760, 57761, 57767 - 57820 and 1231, 1232 in the total amount of \$329,926.56.

October 2017 Payroll check numbers 2349 -2380, 57678 - 57681, 57733 - 57743, 57746, 57747 and 57754 - 57758 in the total amount of \$125,664.68.

Void Checks, number 57368 (lost in mail) were also included for approval.

MOTION: Council Member Jan May made the motion to approve the above noted bills, void checks and payroll. Council Member Ramiro Villagrana seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Martin Hurtado would like to know if they need a public event application to go Christmas caroling. No he does not need one, unless they have a large number of people.

POLICE CHIEF NATTALIE CARIKER:

STATS AND UPDATES:

Jail fees are higher, Chief Cariker has been talking with the Okanogan County Commissioners about this. Also the sales tax on the election ballots did not pass.

Ordinance NO. 900 – Police Department – Standard Procedures and Policies:

Council Member Avis Erickson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 900, Council Member Jan May seconded the motion. Motion approved, (4 Yes) (1 No – Housden)

CHIEF MIKE WEBSTER – FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

Presented his letter of resignation, he intends to retire by the end of this year.

MAYOR ART SMYTH:

EMS TAX LEVY – PUBLIC HEARING:

Public hearing opened at 6:20 pm.

Public present, they had one question, Clerk Misty Ruiz explained the process for the EMS Tax Levy.

Public hearing closed at 6:21 pm.

PROPERTY TAX LEVY – PUBLIC HEARING:

Public hearing opened at 6:21 pm.

No comments.

Public hearing closed at 6:22 pm.

2018 PRELIMINARY BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING:

Public hearing opened at 6:23 pm.

No comments.

Public hearing closed at 6:24 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING – MAC & CASS PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (TROVILLO PROJECT):

Public hearing opened at 6:24 pm.

No comments.

Public hearing closed at 6:24 pm.

ORDINANCE NO. 896 – APPROVING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN MAC & CASS PARTNERSHIP AND THE CITY OF BREWSTER (Amending Ordinance No. 884):

Council Member Jan May made a motion to approve the amended agreement. Council Member Ramiro Villagrana seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The City was awarded the best drinking water project from IACC for the new reservoir.

CLERK TREASURER MISTY RUIZ:

MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT:

We are working on transferring the Brewster Housing Authority to the Housing Authority in Okanogan.

The new assigned board members are:

Keith Johnson, Mike Webster, Ivan Mendez, Randy Phillips and Rebecca Guzman.

Council Member Avis Erickson made a motion to accept the new board members. Council Member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The reserve fund will stay with the City until everything is completed. The pool electrical demand charges are going down.

MRSC – WASHINGTON PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACT:

Council Member John Housden made a motion to approve the MRSC contract. Council Member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 898 and NO. 899 - MANGANESE PROJECT BOND:

Council Member Avis Erickson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 898. Council Member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Avis Erickson made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 899. Council Member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Jan May made a motion to authorize Mayor Smyth to execute the letter to NCNB – North Cascade National Bank agreement. Council Member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

LEE WEBSTER – PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES:

We are getting things ready for winter.

Arborist is working at the park trimming the trees.

The RV Park electrical outlets are being updated from 30 amp to 50 amp.

It was agreed by council to keep the new LED lights at 70 Watts.

Douglas County PUD will be remodeling the restrooms by the Cove and they should be completed by Memorial Day next year.

Halloween went good.

Okanogan County agreed to put the City on the list for their chip seal for next year.

The reservoir project is almost completed.

A general discussion was held regarding the Douglas County PUD.

Public Works Director Lee Webster thanked all the Council members for the support he received from them during the water project.

HORIZON TOWER LIMITED PARTNERSHIP LEASE AGREEMENT:

Council Member Avis Erickson made a motion to authorize Mayor Smyth to sign the Lease agreement. Council Member Tim Rieb seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor Art Smyth

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk/Treasurer, Misty Ruiz