CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Minutes of Council Meeting, Regular Session

Date of Meeting
December 15, 2014

Time of Meeting
7:00 p.m.

Place of Meeting
Council Chambers, 501 North Anderson Street

Roll Call Present: Aronica, Lillquist, Miller, Morgan, Scheffer, Tabb and Elliott.

Others present were City Manager Akers; City Attorney Weiner; City Clerk Reno; Executive Assistant Leader; Interim Community Development Director Witkowski; Parks and Recreation Director Case; Finance Director Pascoe; Energy Services Director Dunbar; Senior Financial Analyst/Budget Officer Bassett; and approximately 10 members of the audience.

Awards and Recognitions

Interim Community Development Director Witkowski introduced Laura Wilson, Permit Technician.

Agenda Approval

Motion to approve the agenda. Tabb

Affirmed

Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to Councilmembers in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Councilmember.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Tabb

A. Approve Minutes – December 1, 2014, Regular Meeting
B. Acknowledge Minutes of Boards and Commissions
   (1) Arts Commission – August 14, 2014, September 11, 2014, and October 9, 2014
   (2) Landmarks & Design Commission – October 7, 2014
   (4) Utility Advisory Committee – September 9, 2014 and October 14, 2014
C. Accept the E-Rate Reimbursement from FairPoint Communications and Authorize the Budget Adjustment to Reflect the Additional Revenue
as Complete
E. Authorize Mayor to Execute a Non-Exclusive Utility Easement Agreement for Fred Meyer Fueling Station
F. Approve Agreement with Chamber of Commerce for Marketing and Promotions for 2015 and 2016
G. Accept Bid Call 2014-13 – Asbestos Abatement at 113 W. Bender Road as Complete
H. Accept Bid Call 2014-02 – 2014 Sidewalk Repair Program as Complete
I. Approve and Adopt the 2014 Water System Comprehensive Plan
J. Authorize the City Manager to Execute the 2015 Interlocal Cooperation Payment Agreement with Kittitas County Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Council
K. Authorize Library’s Participation in Early Learning Public Libraries Partnership and Authorize the City Manager to Sign the Interlocal Agreement
L. Accept Resignation of Tina Peet from the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission and Authorize the Mayor to Sign a Letter of Appreciation
M. Approve December 15, 2014 Claims Fund Voucher Numbers 120830 Through 121099 in the Amount of $762,289.77, ACH Direct Payments 1080-1097 in the Amount of $964,808.43, Payroll Fund Check Numbers 88346 Through 88396 in the Total Amount of $62,912.32, Direct Deposit in the Amount of $221,118.88 and Electronic Fund Transfer of $3,300.00.

Affirmed

Boards and Commissions Reappointments

The reappointments for the Ellensburg Business Development Authority will be made at the next regular meeting.

Ordinance No. 4691 - Cable Television Franchise with FairPoint Communications

Council gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4691 for the Cable Television Franchise with FairPoint Communications at the December 1, 2014 meeting.

Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4691. Miller

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLensburg, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO CABLE TELEVISION, GRANTING A NONEXCLUSIVE AND REVOCABLE FRANCHISE WITH THE ELLensburg TELEPHONE COMPANY D/B/A FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS (“FAIRpoint”), PURSUANT TO STATE AND FEDERAL LAW, AND CITY ORDINANCE CODIFIED AT CHAPTER 11.43 OF THE ELLensburg CITY CODE, THROUGH ADOPTION OF A NEW FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AS CHAPTER 11.10 OF THE ELLensburg
ADOPTION OF A NEW FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AS CHAPTER 11.10 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE, WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS, TO OPERATE, MAINTAIN, RECONSTRUCT AND REPAIR A CABLE SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING CABLE-RELATED SERVICES SUBJECT TO THE TERMS SET FORTH IN THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.

Vote on motion. Aronica (yes)
Lillquist (yes)
Miller (yes)
Morgan (yes)
Scheffer (yes)
Tabb (yes)
Elliott (yes)

Motion approved.

Ordinance No. 4692 - 2015/2016 Biennial Budget

Council gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4692 for the 2015/2016 Biennial Budget at the December 1, 2014 meeting.

Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4692 as amended. Tabb

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING THE 2015-2016 BIENNIAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINTON.

Vote on motion. Aronica (yes)

Lillquist (yes)
Miller (yes)
Morgan (yes)
Scheffer (yes)
Tabb (yes)
Elliott (yes)

Motion approved.

Ordinance No. 4693 - 2014 Supplemental Budget
Council gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4693 for the 2014 Supplemental Budget at the December 1, 2014 meeting.

**Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4693.** Lillquist


Vote on motion. Aronica (yes)

Lillquist (yes)

Miller (yes)

Morgan (yes)

Scheffer (yes)

Tabb (yes)

Elliott (yes)

Motion approved.

**Ordinance No. 4694 – Economic Development Funding – Utility Tax Rate Increase**

The proposed ordinance increases utility taxes for economic development support. Council gave first reading to Ordinance No. 4694 at the December 1, 2014 meeting.

**Motion for second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 4694 as amended** Scheffer

as follows: Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage, approval and publication, and shall expire and sunset December 31, 2019 unless extended by a subsequent ordinance of the City Council.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON RELATING TO THE CITY’S UTILITIES OCCUPATION TAX, CHAPTER 6.52, AND AMENDING SECTIONS 6.52.160 AND 6.52.480 OF THE ELLENSBURG CITY CODE.

Vote on motion. Aronica (yes)

Lillquist (yes)

Miller (yes)
Morgan (yes)
Scheffer (yes)
Tabb (yes)
Elliott (yes)

Motion approved.

**Proposed Resolution – Pay Plan**

The proposed resolution sets compensation rates for non-represented employees for 2015.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2014-37. Tabb

Affirmed

**Proposed Resolution – Allocation of 2015 Lodging Tax Funds**

The proposed resolution distributes $27,711 from the Lodging Tax Fund for events and festivals.

Councilmember Scheffer left the meeting during the discussion of this item.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2014-38. Miller

Affirmed

Councilmember Scheffer returned to the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

**Naming of Rotary Park Baseball Field**

Council is being asked to name a baseball field at Rotary Park as “Jeff Greear Field”.

Motion to name the baseball field at Rotary Park as “Jeff Greear Field”. Lillquist

Affirmed

**Request to Pursue a Proposed Amendment to the Land Development Code**

Staff is requesting to pursue proposed amendments to the Land Development Code.

Motion to approve of staff to conduct a review process for proposed areas of amendments Miller to the City’s Land Development Code as presented in the agenda. Affirmed

**Community Development Block Grant Agreement and Supporting Document Execution**
The City has received the grant agreement that formalizes terms and conditions for award of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to the Affordable Housing Infrastructure Project at Bender Road and Water Street.

Motion to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute the documents on the City’s Lillquist behalf. Affirmed

Manager’s Report

Set Public Hearings

Motion to set a public hearing for the Pfenning Road/Vantage Highway Annexation Scheffer for January 5, 2015. Affirmed

Motion to set a public hearing for a resolution of support for the Morgan Middle Scheffer School Bond for January 5, 2015. Affirmed

Councilmembers’ Reports

Councilmember Scheffer reported on the County Public Access Committee.

Councilmember Morgan reported on the Library Board.

Councilmember Miller reported on the Housing and Homelessness Network of Kittitas County Executive Board.

Councilmember Lillquist reported on the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee, the County Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Board, and the Utility Advisory Committee.

Mayor Elliott reported on the County interlocal agreement for development standards in the Urban Growth Area. He also stated he will be sending a letter to the editor for the City’s accomplishments.

Recess

Council recessed to executive session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and land transactions. The executive session was expected to last approximately 15 minutes and Council was not expected to reconvene.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Morgan

Affirmed
Mayor

ATTEST: ______________________________

City Clerk