

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**July 6, 2016**

**Officials in Attendance:** Mayor Dorothy Knauss; Councilmen John May, Payton Norvell and John Wight; Councilwomen Sharon Ludwig, Carra Nupp, Dee Henderson and Roberta McMillin

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Mike Frizzell, City Attorney Charles Schuerman, Clerk/Treasurer Pamela McCart

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**Audience Comments:** None

**Announcements/Appointments, including:**

- Mayor was reelected to another 2 year term on AWC Board of Directors.
- Mayor had emailed DNR with regard to the appraisal on the airport stating that on May 26<sup>th</sup> the DNR had said the appraisal was almost done and here it is July 6<sup>th</sup> and the City has not heard anything. The response from DNR was "the chief appraiser is almost done". If we don't hear anything in a few weeks we might have to go over their heads again.
- Mayor's Youth Award to Makayla Duke.

**Presentation:** None

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Councilwoman Nupp approving Consent Agenda consisting of:

- >June 1st Regular Minutes
- >June Payroll and Claim Vouchers

Seconded by Councilwoman McMillin. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

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**Public Hearing on Six Year Transportation Improvement Program 2017-2022:**

The Mayor opened the public hearing and set forth the format that would be followed. There were no objections to the Mayor participating as chairman. There were no objections to any Councilperson's participating in the proceedings. No Councilperson acknowledged any communications outside of this hearing and no Councilperson acknowledged any gain or interest with regard to this matter.

*STAFF REPORT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR MIKE FRIZZELL* stated that this program has to be adopted in order to get grant funding. The plan is the same as it was last year due to our inability to submit applications last year. We rate according to which projects would have the greatest public impact ... Main Street, sidewalks along Lincoln and 395 ... just because something is listed further down on the list doesn't mean we can't apply for it sooner. We try to select projects that will score best in the next year. The next sidewalk project is actually something that is situated between two completed projects - this factor generates an additional five points on the application for what they call "filling the gap" -- so we try to stagger projects in order to get those extra points. Depending on the funding agency - TIB, our primary grantor in the last few years, requires that sidewalk be installed on one side of the road for mobility safety -- if it's that type of project -- obviously chip sealing or resurfacing projects don't require that upgrade.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** There was no written or oral public testimony.  
**THE MAYOR CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING.**

**Committee/Commission Reports:**

- *Code, Councilman May:* Discussion with planner Ryan Hughes with regard to Hearing Examiner since we don't have a Planning Commission anymore.

- *Public Safety, Councilman May:* Met with 60% of the Police Department regarding personal safety, public safety and the comfort of the officers. All that will come up with the Finance Committee next year as they need to be worked into the budget.

**City Administrator Report:**

- The ordinance regarding the Hearing Examiner will be presented next month.
- Last week the bell outside the municipal building fell from the top support beam onto the lower support beam due to wood rot. The entire structure will need to be removed. I will get more information as to the cost of rebuilding and how much we can do ourselves. It's been roped off for now.
- It has been posted in the paper that the City will be accepting closed bids until June 29<sup>th</sup> for the two properties out by the reservoir that Council claimed as surplus. We double checked their fair market values – they are priced at \$75,000 and \$65,000. There are a number of parties interested.
- We received another WSDOT-Aviation grant for about \$83,000 for the airport taxilane extension-construction. We actually put the project out to bid in May in order to determine the value. The engineers' recommendation to award Versatile's base bid of \$99,999 includes a deductive alternate amount of \$13,212 for the retention of existing asphalt. So although the bid award is \$99,999 their contract will be net of the deductive alternate amount. Construction will start on July 12<sup>th</sup>. Motion by Councilman May to award bid amount of \$99,999 to Versatile Industries as the low, responsive, and responsible bidder contingent upon receipt of WSDOT Aviation grant funds for the Airport Taxilane Extension Project, seconded by Councilwoman Nupp. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

**City Attorney Report:** None

**Old Business:**

- The Mayor stated that she did not yet have the documentation for the Well City program.

**New Business:**

- Motion by Councilwoman Nupp to pass Resolution 2016-05 Adopting Six Year Transportation Improvement Program 2017-2022, seconded by Councilman May. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.
- Motion by Councilman May to pass Resolution 2016-06 in Support of Renaming Full Length of US 395 in WA State for Congressman Foley, seconded by Councilwoman McMillin. Roll call vote taken with Councilman Norvell and Councilwoman Nupp voting against, remaining votes in favor. Motion carried.
- The Mayor asked the Council to consider the possibility of holding an open forum wherein the public could talk about issues that are important to them. We'd have to set up some rules in order to elicit constructive comments -- we would just listen to our citizens --no action would be taken. This would be in lieu of sending out a survey. The last survey was productive – they told us they wanted a recycling center and we did that – they told us they were not interested in credit card payments. I hate to keep asking their priorities as the results keep coming back as police fire and streets. This format would generate discussion about other topics. So just think about it – if you don't think it's a good idea, that's fine – it's your meeting. I just facilitate the meeting. If we could get better results without the costs of a survey.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:59 PM.

  
Mayor Dorothy L. Knauss

  
Clerk/Treasurer Pamela McCart