

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 7, 2016

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

Absent: Councilwoman 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.

Motion by Councilman May to excuse absence of Councilwoman McMillin, seconded by Councilwoman Nupp. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

Audience Comments

Announcements/Appointments, including:

- Reminder Open Public Forum to be conducted during September 21st regular meeting.
- The City will be receiving the 2015 Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award from the Department of Ecology.

Executive Session:

At 6:38PM the Mayor announced that the Council would go into executive session for 20 minutes

- To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase
- To consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale.

At 6:58PM the Mayor called the meeting back to order.

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Presentation:

On behalf of Mike Bacon, a 35 year Spokane Fire Department Veteran, Councilwoman Nupp presented the City with an a framed print/original commemorative 9-11 stamp for future placement with the World Trade Center Artifact.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Councilwoman Ludwig approving Consent Agenda consisting of:

- >August 3rd Regular Minutes
- >August Payroll and Claim Vouchers

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

Committee/Commission Reports:

- *Park, Councilwoman Ludwig:* Field trip to park and cemetery. Recommend inventory/review by professional arborist of trees in park to determine which need to be removed.
- *Cemetery, Councilwoman Ludwig:* Reviewed rates – to be discussed under New Business.

City Administrator Report: None

City Attorney Report: None

Old Business: None

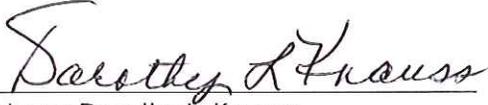
New Business:

- Discussion regarding written request for the City to review the speed limit from Ehorn Lane to Flowery Trail Road – currently the transition is from 25 MPH to 50 MPH. The C/A clarified that the ordinance currently states that the speed limit everywhere is 25 unless posted otherwise – so a change would just require posting. He stated that he has had conversations with WSDOT

regarding speed limits elsewhere and that WSDOT has some criteria in place for setting speed limits – perhaps a committee could refer to those criteria. Matter referred to Safety Committee.

- Motion by Councilman Norvell to approve Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with City of Spokane for Hearing Examiner Services, seconded by Councilwoman Ludwig. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.
- The clerk read Resolution 16-10. Motion by Councilwoman Ludwig to pass Resolution 16-10 Revising Cemetery Rates/Policies, seconded by Councilwoman Henderson. Roll call vote taken after discussion with Councilman Norvell, Councilman May, and Councilwoman Nupp voting against, remaining votes in favor resulting in tie vote. Mayor voted against. Motion failed. Motion by Councilman May to establish rate of cremains opening/closing at Pioneer Cemetery for six days a week (Mon – Sat) at \$250, seconded by Councilwoman Nupp. Roll call vote taken with Councilwoman Ludwig, Councilwoman Henderson, Councilman Norvell, and Councilwoman Nupp voting against, remaining votes in favor. Motion failed. Motion by Councilman May to establish rates for cremains opening/closing at Chewelah Memorial Park Cemetery at \$250–(Mon – Fri) and \$500–(Saturdays). Motion died for lack of second. Motion by Councilman Norvell to pass the following (Resolution 16-12):
 - Cremains Opening/Closing (Mon-Fri, excluding holidays) at CMP or Pioneer \$250 each
 - Cremains Opening/Closing (Saturday or holiday) at CMP or Pioneer \$350 each
 - No opening/closings on Sundays
 - 25% of the proceeds of all lot and niche sales at CMP to be diverted to reserves for the future improvement/maintenance of said cemetery.Seconded by Councilwoman Nupp. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion passed.
- The clerk read Resolution 16-11. Motion by Councilwoman Ludwig to pass Resolution 16-11 Revising Facility Use Policy (establishing utility fees for park reservations requiring electric or water services), seconded by Councilman Norvell. Roll call vote taken with Councilwoman Nupp voting against, remaining votes in favor. Motion carried.
- Motion by Councilman May to introduce Ordinance #902 by title, seconded by Councilwoman Nupp. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried. The Clerk read the introduction of Ordinance #902 by title. Motion by Councilman Norvell to adopt Ordinance #902 Amending Chapters 13.04 (Utilities Generally, 13.08 (Electricity) and 13.20 (Interference with Utility Systems or Public Services) of the Chewelah Municipal Code, seconded by Councilwoman Ludwig. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.
- Budget workshop scheduled for September 12th @ 6PM.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:48 PM.


Mayor Dorothy L. Knauss


Clerk/Treasurer Pamela McCart