REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  August 1, 2018

Officials in Attendance: Mayor Dorothy Knauss; Councilmen Payton Norvell, John May, Evan Schalock and John Wight; Councilwomen Nicole Norvell and Cori Wuesthoff

Officials Absent: Councilwoman Nupp

Staff Present: City Administrator Mike Frizzell, City Attorney Mike Waters, Clerk/Treasurer Pamela McCart

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

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

Mayor’s Youth Award: Ashlyn Kroiss

Audience Comments:
- Brad Tucker, Northwest Management (hired by Stevens County), regarding update to Stevens County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Draft plan should be available soon for public comment.
- Terry Lee of Loon Lake, regarding “tiny housing” movement.

Approval of/Changes to Proposed Agenda:
Motion by Councilman Norvell to approve proposed agenda as presented, seconded by Councilwoman Norvell. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Announcements/Appointments:
- 9-hole disc golf course is now open (at the acreage that the City owns just under Pinebrook).
- City Planner, C/A and Mayor will make final technical presentation in Olympia for the spray park on August 15th.

Presentation: None

Consent Agenda:
Motion by Councilman Norvell approving Consent Agenda consisting of:
  >July 5th Regular Minutes
  >July Payroll and Claim Vouchers
Seconded by Councilman Schalock. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

Committee/Commission Reports:
- Public Safety, Councilman May: Process of discussing alterations to parking on Main Street.
- Park, Councilman Schalock: Discussed changes to park hours as to be presented later this evening.

City Administrator Report:
- The well is back up and functional. We have two wells that we currently rely upon. They are approximately 15 feet apart, pull out of the same reservoir, and operate off the same electricity. The issue was not with the pump, not with the motor that runs the pump – it was the electronics on the wall that told the pump to turn on. That was 1950's/1960's tech – it's equipment you can't get anymore. (In response to comments made on Facebook: Those two wells have two different sized motors and different pumps. We don't have the capability to keep extra pumps or motors on hand due to the expense – even if we had, they would have been
sitting on the shelves for 40 years and most likely would not work when installed.) Now we have the electronics for the one pump updated (new electric soft start and all new equipment to actually call for that pump/motor to come on) -- the motor and pump are 40 years old but they're currently very functional. We want to spend another $9,000 on the second pump to get the same electronics installed to make sure it's also up to date. We need to continue to move forward with the new well/pumphouse/main line extension because we could still be stuck in the same position again. This is why we are spending the money on a new plan to drill a well/ pumphouse a mile away so we have a true redundant source.

- The City will be advertising rebates available to customers through Energy Efficiency Funds from BPA. These will be available to commercial business owners for the purchase and installation of qualified energy efficient lighting and to residential customers who heat with electric resistance heat for installing approved Ductless Heat Pumps and Smart Thermostats.

- Referencing the Public Safety Committee's discussion regarding parking options -- members of the committee would like to look at options and bring those ideas to Council with the assistance of E & H Engineering. The estimated cost of the proposal to evaluate the safety, aesthetics, practicability, and feasibility of altering the striping along Main Ave from 395 to 5th St. is $4,000. Motion by Councilman May approving $4,000 Proposal by E & H Engineering to evaluate alteration of park striping along Main Ave., seconded by Councilman Schalock. During discussion, Councilwoman Norvell stated that she was a professional engineer and would like the opportunity to review it herself before spending City funds. The C/A stated there was no rush but it's important that business owners and the public be involved, and they won't be able to comment unless they have something to visualize – the $4,000 includes that process – he did not have a preference either way, he was just asked to put something together. Roll call vote taken with none in favor. Motion failed. It was the consensus of the Council to allow time for Councilwoman Norvell to review the matter.

City Attorney Report: None
Police Chief Report
Fire Chief Report

Old Business:
- The C/A stated that the Committee recommends setting the hours for both city parks as 6AM to 10PM – he noted that the proposed closing time aligns with the time set in the City's nuisance ordinance. Motion by Councilman May to introduce Ordinance #924 by title, seconded by Councilman Norvell. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried. The clerk read Ordinance #924 by title. Motion by Councilman May to adopt Ordinance #924 amending Chapter 12.28 of the CMC regarding Municipal Park Uses (hours of operation), seconded by Councilman Wight. Discussion followed by roll call vote taken with Councilwoman Norvell and Councilman Norvell voting against. Remaining votes in favor. Motion carried.

- The clerk read the introduction of Ordinance #925. Motion by Councilwoman Norvell to adopt Ordinance #925 Amending the 2018 Budget, seconded by Councilman Norvell. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

- Motion by Councilwoman Norvell directing administration to approach PACA with proposed Ground Lease Agreement as presented regarding the pool property, seconded by Councilman May. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.
New Business:
• Councilman Schalock, Councilwoman Wuesthoff and Diane Evans explained the concept of a “Certified Creative District”. Motion by Councilman Schalock supporting the creation of a “Certified Creative District” in the City of Chewelah, seconded by Councilwoman Norvell. Roll call vote taken with Councilman May voting against, remaining votes in favor. Motion carried. Councilman Schalock and Councilwoman Wuesthoff agreed to represent the City on a Creative District Planning Board.

Adjournment:
At 7:35 PM, motion by Councilman Wight to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Norvell. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Dorothy L. Knauss
Clerk/Treasurer Pamela McCart