

## **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 6, 2024**

**Officials in Attendance:** Mayor Greg McCunn; Councilwoman Tracy Ling and Holly Hungerford; Councilmen Aaron Alvarado, Ron McCoy, John Kabosky.

**Officials Absent:** Councilman Bruce Nupp

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Jim Caruso, City Attorney Mike Waters, Clerk/Treasurer, Julie Culverwell.

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

*A motion to excuse the absence of Councilman Nupp. Roll call vote taken with all in favor.*

***Motion carried.***

### **Audience Comments:**

- Chewelah Independent Staff member, Kat Brooks brought newspapers for all in attendance

**Approval of/Changes to Proposed Agenda:** *Motion by Councilwoman Ling to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Nupp. Roll call taken and all in favor. **Motion carried.***

### **Announcements/Appointments:**

- Mayor McCunn reviewed the interview process for the four candidates for the vacant Council Seat #6.
  - Each candidate will be randomly chosen to sit at the microphone and tell the Council in 3 minutes what their qualifications are for the position.
    - Shane Cody Fairweather
    - Gaylea Nolander
    - Blake Weirs
    - Belle Dean
    - Tim Dollar

### **Executive Session #1 to evaluate the qualifications of the Candidates for Appointment to Council Seat #6. Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(h)**

At 7:01 pm the Mayor announced that the Council would go into Executive Session for fifteen minutes to discuss candidate qualifications. At 7:16 pm the Mayor called the meeting back to order.

Motion by Councilman Kobosky to nominate Tim Dollar. Motion by Councilman McCoy to nominate Gaylea Nolander. Roll call vote taken for nominee Dollar with Councilwoman Ling and Hungerford and Councilman Alvarado and Kobosky in favor. Councilman McCoy voting against. ***Motion passed.***

City Attorney Waters administered the Oath of Office for Council Position #6 to Tim Dollar and Councilman Dollar took his council seat.

### **Presentations:**

- Aaron Qualls, City Planner with SCJ – Moratorium on Behavioral Health Facilities.

### **City Administrator's Report (including):**

- Downtown Canopy Tree Grant, Councilman Kobosky. Keller Group has helped get Chewelah awarded \$68,500 no match grant for downtown tree revitalization.

- Civic Center heating system. Divco has estimated bid for \$16,000 to repair old system.

**Consent Agenda:**

*Motion by Councilwoman Ling approving Consent Agenda consisting of:*

- *January and February Payroll and Claim Vouchers*
- *January 3rd Regular Minutes*

*Seconded by Councilman Alvarado. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.*

**Committee/Commission Reports:**

- Code Review & Enforcement: Councilman McCoy commented on discussion with Aaron Qualls on the moratorium.
- Park/Rec/Cemetery: Councilman Alvarado provided there is a meeting regarding the skate park on March 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at city hall.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- *Motion by Councilman McCoy to adopt Ordinance 990, seconded by Councilwoman Hungerford. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.*

**Adjournment:**

*At 7:58 pm, motion by Councilwoman Ling to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Alvarado. Roll call vote taken with all in favor. Motion carried.*

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Mayor M. Gregory McCunn

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Clerk/Treasurer Julie Culverwell