

FOSSIL CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JEANNE E BURCH BUILDING
NOVEMBER 8TH 2016

Mayor MacInnes called the meeting to order at 7pm

Council present: Carol MacInnes, Melanie Sperry, Mary Mountain and Jerry Beckham

Staff present: Teresa Hunt, William Potter and Deputy Boyd

Community present: Elizabeth Farrer, Brenda Snow Potter, Roger Morehead, Julie Knox and Marsha Holly

Councilor Sperry moved to approve the agenda with the amendment of adding "declaring Jetter truck for surplus" under new business. Councilor Mountains seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilor Mountain moved to approve the minutes from the October meeting and also approve payment of the October bills. Councilor Sperry seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Web Page

The council wants to develop a new web page for the city with a better design and one that is more user friendly as well as the city employees and council being able to update the web page as needed.

The council had requested Elizabeth Farrar to come to the council meeting so that they could discuss their wishes and expectations with her for the web page.

Ms. Farrar stated that to build a new web page would cost \$2500 to \$3000 and that if she was to do maintenance on the site after it was built, she charges \$100 per hour and invoices in 15 minute increments.

Councilor Mountain moved to contract with Ms. Farrar to develop a new web site and the cost is to be between \$2500 and \$3000. Councilor Beckham seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Park Lights

Mr. Potter reported that Brennah from Seven Peaks Electric is planning on being here the middle of next week to put in the new lighting in the city park for the basketball court and a light in the middle of the park.

Mr. Potter will go pick up the trencher that we need to rent in order to be able to lay the conduit.

Lease Agreement

Mayor MacInnes stated that she needed something in the minutes and that she needed to clarify that we had been working with Kendall for so long that when he said he was ready to sign the lease agreement and that he had a check for the first payment we were so excited that we did not think of the fact that we had signed an agreement with Linda Tatone-Smith to market these lots and so everything we had agreed to do for Kendall should have been knoll and void. It caused an issue with our realtor and Kendall went around telling everybody that the city had entered into a lease with him and that we were financing a lot for him and Mayor MacInnes had to explain to Linda that this had been in the works for two years or ever since she had been Mayor and that she just totally forgot the fact that there was a realtor agreement in place.

Mayor MacInnes stated that we totally dropped the ball on that and we should never have gone forward with Kendall and we should have referred him to our realtor, and Mayor MacInnes apologizes for that on behalf of the city.

Closing on Fossil Heights Lots

Teresa said she had talked to the city attorney and that he had not been able to get a signature on the release documents from the bank.

Mayor MacInnes stated that she would be calling the attorney on this matter.

Christmas Decorating

Councilor Mountain will contact Angi Humphreys and see if the High School Student Body can help with the decorating at the Pine Creek School Complex again this year and that she would like to do it soon after Thanksgiving.

Mayor MacInnes and Councilor Sperry said they would donate some lights to the Christmas decorating.

NEW BUSINESS

Cap on Spending

The council stated that they want a \$500 cap on spending for city employees.

Councilor Beckham moved to place a \$500 dollar spending cap on city employees for anything above normal maintenance expense. Councilor Mountain seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADOPT

The council stated at the October meeting that they wanted the dog ordinance amended to make it clearer that the \$5 registration fee for each dog is a onetime fee.

Councilor Mountain moved to adopt Ordinance No. 441 A: An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 441 an ordinance regulating dogs within the City of Fossil. Councilor Sperry seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilor Sperry moved to adopt Resolution No. 412: A resolution making appropriations for a specific purpose grant. Councilor Mountain seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Audit

Councilor Beckham moved to approve the audit for the 2016 fiscal year. Councilor Sperry seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Surplus Jetter Truck

Mr. Potter stated that the old jetter truck that sits over by the city shop has not been usable for years, the tank is rusted out in places and the truck is of no use to the city.

Mr. Potter requested the council declare the truck surplus, and it and the old white city pickup will be offered at closed bid.

Councilor Mountain moved to declare the jetter truck surplus and offer it for sell. Councilor Sperry seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

STAFF REPORTS

Deputy Boyd reported that during the week of October 30th 10 residences were cleaned up and additional items were hauled from several more residences. They hauled off 9080 pounds of garbage and over 600 appliances to the landfill in Arlington. This was made possible by Waste Management Northwest allowing us free dumping and Habitat for Humanity loaning us a dump trailer to haul the garbage in.

Deputy Boyd also requested the council consider enforcing a mandatory garbage service or purchasing a dump trailer and citizens could request temporary use of the trailer to be parked at their residence so they could load their garbage and then the citizen would have to pay for the tipping fees. These fees could be attached to the water billing.

Teresa stated that she has 313 hours of vacation and 180 hours can carry forward to next year but 133 hours need to be used by the end of this year. The Council approved Teresa using up as much vacation as possible by end of year.

Mr. Potter stated that we did not receive the Special City Allotment grant again this year.

Mr. Potter has talked to Brad from Anderson and Perry and they are looking into using the overflow from the spring in the winter to recharge the existing wells rather than drilling another well. They are talking with the state to see if this would be allowable.

Mr. Potter stated that he would be putting a notice in the paper offering the 1999 old white city pickup and the jetter truck by sealed bid.

MAYOR/COUNCIL

Mayor MacInnes reported that we are finally going to get the ambulance repaired from its collision with a deer and that Stacy Hunt would be doing the repairs.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Carol MacInnes, Mayor

Teresa Hunt, City Recorder