

MEETING MINUTES
Teleconference
November 9th, 2021

Mayor MacInnes called the meeting to order 7:00 P.M.

Council Present: Melanie Sperry, Jerry Beckham, & Terri Hunt

Staff Present: Lea Walker

Community Present: Mitch Elliot, Rodney Hines, Marsha Holly.

Approve/Amendments to Agenda: Councilor Sperry motions to approve the November 9th agenda as amended: removing tabled from childcare, Councilor Hunt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of October 12th City Council Meeting Minutes: Councilor Sperry made a motion to approve the October 12th Council Meeting Minutes with meeting place correction, Councilor Hunt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of October 25th City Council Work Session Minutes: Councilor Sperry made a motion to approve the October 25th Council Meeting Minutes, Councilor Hunt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of bills from October 12th to November 8th, 2021: Councilor Sperry made a motion to approve the bills from October 12th to November 8th, Councilor Hunt seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Approval of financial statement for October 2021: Councilor Hunt made a motion to approve the financial statement for October 2021, Councilor Beckham seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Senior Meal Site invited council to the Veterans Day dinner but was cancelled due to COVID.

The City of Fossil received an approval letter for the Small City Allotment for \$100,000 which is for paving roads.

Census Bureau sent a thank you letter for participating in the Census and information to help within the next Census.

OLD BUSINESS:

Anderson-Perry Project Update: ASR design walk through with Brad Baird on Nov 18th at 11 am -3 pm

Industrial Park: Completed.

Ordinance Fee Schedule: The consensus is to move forward for Paul to draft our resolution for our Ordinance Fee Schedule to the City of Fossil based off of the ORS.

Childcare: The childcare ad will need to include "the" after "if so," and add "Childcare Coordinator" in bold above the ad.

ARPA: Councilor Sperry makes a motion to move the ARPA money into the LGIP, Councilor Hunt seconds this motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote. The council will later discuss the use of the funds after the first of the year.

Museum Roof: Roof is finished and is dry. There is more damage to sheetrock than originally thought because the temporary fixes to the roof did not keep out all the moisture. I have submitted to insurance for payment of roof and asked how they wanted to proceed in fixing the sheetrock on the inside.

Gateway Signs: Voting will be anonymous unless they call in. Lea will put their name down on when they vote. Pictures will be close to the same color as possible. Voting will start Nov 15th and end till Dec 13th. Trish Denney, the administrator, will be able to receive votes from Haven House.

MOU Fair board: Wheeler County Judge agreed there will not be a need to hold a work session. Two council members will be able to answer questions for the Wheeler County Fairboard.

Christmas Light Contest: Lea created advertising for the Christmas Light contest for residential and commercial and the Tree Lighting Ceremony. The Lighting Ceremony will be held Dec 5th. Cathy Goldsmith agreed to read to the community. Lea will look into speaking with the community for assistance in hosting the event. City hall will gather utensils.

Property sale: DEQ has no problem with the sale. Bill Potter has begun putting together a sale advertisement The biggest concern is the property has no legal access unless bought by a joining landowner. The city will need a utility easement for a water and sewer main that runs from the Industrial Park to the Motel. The tax assessed value of the landlocked property is \$23,000. The minimum bid will start at \$8,000. Mayor MacInnes will confirm with CIS that we will not be held liable for anything that may occur in the future. The city of fossil will add to the sales advertisement that they have to have an easement. Councilor Sperry makes a motion to set the minimum bid to \$8,000 the easement for access, and the outcome of CIS response to keep the City of Fossil not liable, Councilor Beckham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Purchase Requests (2): There are two requests from the Public Works Director. The first purchase request is for the disconnect switch in Well 3 it currently does not have and will have to have one in order to wire a generator. The second purchase request is for wiring of the generator and Automatic Transfer Switch. The city has budgeted for this expense. Councilor Hunt makes a motion to approve the purchase request for the wiring of the generator and Automatic Transfer Switch in the amount of \$8,934.81 Councilor Sperry Seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Councilor Sperry makes a motion to approve the purchase request for the disconnect switch for a total of \$2,108.00, Councilor Hunt seconded this motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

REPORTS:

Councilor Hunt no update

Councilor Sperry: Currently working on scheduling an ambulance meeting. No report from Susan. Working on meeting for religious exemptions and purchase for radios. Welcome Brenda Blessings to the community.

Councilor Beckham: Generator is delayed till around the 1st of December. Then we will complete the lift station and then the wastewater project should be done.

Councilor Burlingame: Absent.

Mayor MacInnes: Mayor MacInnes will attend the OMA meeting in Salem. She was granted another term in the OMA; this will allow her to speak to the governor's office. The county is currently battling with COVID and reminds everyone to fill the community with kindness. Don't forget to check on your neighbors during these times to ensure they are doing okay. Major tree fallings have occurred within the City of Fossil. City of Fossil requests notice to help ensure there is no blockage of the cities right away.

Public Works: Public meeting for the variance is no longer needed. The property owner is not interested in a variance anymore. File is closed, the Tenneson bill will be sent to property owner for expense to date.

City Recorder: Our councilors and city officials are mandatory child abuse reporters as bill was recently passed this past month. Barb Sitton's family request to continue the marathon during stroke awareness month.

Ordinance Officer: There are currently two new cases and following up within the week. There was miscommunication with the billing for the new ordinance enforcement officer and will be resolved with this week.

COMMUNITY ISSUES/CONCERNS:

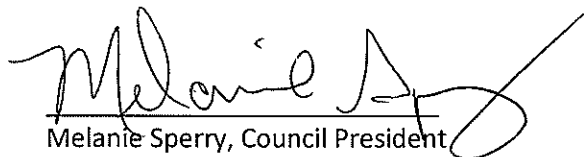
Marsha Holly requested the City of Fossil send out thank you letters to Sally, Alex Logan, and BEO.
Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

December 14th, 2021

Approved



Carol E MacInnes, Mayor



Melanie Sperry, Council President

