FOSSIL CITY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Jeanne Burch Building

August 9, 2022

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

**Council Present:** Jerry Beckham, Cindy Burlingame, Terri Hunt, & Melanie Sperry via Zoom.

**Staff Present:**  Lea Walker, Bill Potter

**Community Present** Mitch Elliot, Jackie Brown, Anne Mitchell, Marsha Holly, Chad Macomber,

**Approve/Amendments to Agenda:** Councilor Burlingame made a motion to approve the August 9th as approved, Councilor Hunt seconded the motion, motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Approval of July 12th City Council Meeting Minutes:** Councilor Hunt made a motion to approve the July 12th City Council Meeting Minutes, Councilor Burlingame seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote

**Approval of August 1st Special Meeting Minutes:** Councilor Hunt made a motion to approve August 1st Special Meeting Minutes, Councilor Sperry seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Approval of bills from July 12th to August 8th, 2022:** Councilor Burlingame made a motion to approve the bills from July 12th to August 8th, Councilor Hunt seconded the motion.

**Approval of financial statement for July 2022**: Councilor Sperry made a motion to approve the financial statement for July 2022, Councilor Burlingame seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

OLD BUSINESS:

**Anderson-Perry Project Update**: A sulfur concentration test was sent into the lab. This will determine the cost for an aerator. A report on the concentration will be available at the next meeting.

**Cemetery:** The city attorney is drafting a resolution and gathering information for the deeds. Our city attorney has drafted a resolution for the city to approve the property.

**Schedule Work Session:** Scheduled work session October 10th at 4:30 pm tentatively.

**Community Development Funds:** Schedule work session for August 24th at 6:00 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Cornhole Tournament 9/13**: A street closure has been requested for Washington to Adams for a cornhole tournament while Cycle Oregon is in town starting at 3:00 pm- 8:00 pm. Local vendors are welcome.

**MOU- Cycle Oregon:** Anne Mitchell will forward the MOU once it is received by Cycle Oregon. Councilor Burlingame made a motion pending approval of the attorney to approve the MOU with Cycle Oregon for the use of baseball field.

**Service Project- Cycle Oregon:** The Wheeler County Emergency Management will be reaching out to the Anne Mitchell for an idea of a service project.

**Paleo Project- Jeffree Kee:** The City of Fossil will send a letter of support for the Paleo Project.

**Paving Project:** The paving project will begin next week for paving Broadway and Washington between the schoolhouse and the Masonic Lodge. The public works will be doing prepping the road the week before. The public works would like to hire extra help and to rent the roller from Joe Jaeger. The extra help hiring wage would be $15 an hour.

ACTION ITEMS:

**Purchase Request (TAG)- SCADA SYSTEM:** Councilor Sperry made a motion to approve the quote by TAG, Councilor Burlingame seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

REPORTS:

**Councilor Hunt**: The summer reading program was very busy all summer. The library will be hosting the cornhole tournament on the last Fossil Friday. Haven House reading has been cancelled this month but will continue on next month. The complaint the city has received has been handled.

**Councilor Sperry:** No update from the ambulance. Mayor MacInnes would like the you to thank an EMT for their service. EMTs are volunteers in our community and there are currently five volunteers. The ambulance board and Asher clinic are working on something for the volunteers.

**Councilor Beckham:** No update.

**Councilor Burlingame**: No update.

**Mayor MacInnes**: The OMA conference has received local gifts from Wilson’s ranches retreat, Mah-hah outfitters, Fossil Dig it buckets, Fossil Painted Hills, Service Creek, Fossil Mercantile for a raffle basket that goes towards scholarships to help assist other mayors in attending conferences. The City of Fossil will hold a volunteer appreciation BBQ and will schedule it at the next meeting for the end of September/October.

**Public Works:**  Planning committee meeting is the August 30th 5:30 pm at the Jeanne Burch building. A staff report will be complied before the meeting. A trash burn had occurred earlier today and has been reported to the Sherriff’s office. Smoky the bear will be in the parade and attending the fair. Sally will be providing backpacks to the kids and smoky the bear swag items. Fire department will be providing some plastic hard hats for the kids.

**City Recorder:** Open swim was a hit this year with around ten students attending. August 9th was the last day and cancelled due to weather. The city has offered to adding in a potential lunch option next year.

**Ordinance Officer**: Due to the short staff in the Sherriff’s department the ordinance enforcement hours are short. City clerk has been keeping the ordinance enforcement officer updated with reports/concerns. A billing issue is being sorted out with the clerk and the ordinance enforcement officer.

**COMMUNITY ISSUES/CONCERNS:**

**Public Comment by Chad Macomber:** When will the next EMT trainings occur?

Mayor MacInnes responded that they will be trying to set trainings up in Mitchell. There is an interest in two volunteer members there. Mayor MacInnes is renewing her certifications to teach those trainings.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

September 13th, 2022\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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