

Council Meeting

January 7, 2020

6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Willey. C.M. Dodd, C.M. Montgomery, C.M. Henderson, and C.M. Milanowski were present. Mayor Willey, Clerk/Treasurer Oster, and Water/Sewer Superintendent Petersen were present. C.M. Cox and Attorney Unzelman were absent. There were 3 citizens as well as Andy Caldwell from Lewis County DEM and Commissioner Bobby Jackson were present.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Montgomery to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Henderson and seconded by C.M. Montgomery to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as well as the Emergency Meeting on Dec. 23, 2019 and Special meeting on Dec. 31, 2019.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Dodd to approve Blank Voucher #201925 for the 2019 Open Period, Claim #'s 19163-19168, 19170-19176, and 19182 in the amount of \$30,816.48 and Payroll #'s 19156-19162 in the amount of \$24,358.62 for a Grand Total of \$55,175.10. Blanket Voucher #202001 for Claim #'s 19155 and 19177-19180 in the amount of \$7,727.12 for a Grand Total of \$7,727.12. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Henderson and seconded by C.M. Montgomery to approve the purchase order for Advanced Electric for an electric and the purchase of a controller for the 6th Ave lift station. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Henderson and seconded by C.M. Dodd to approve the Utility Bill adjustment that was tabled from the previous regular meeting and to approve the Senior/Low income application for Acct# 1458. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Montgomery to table the decision the police vehicle decals until they can see what they will look like. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Henderson to approve the employee raises. Paul and Alex will go up to the next step according to the union contract, Clerk/Treasurer Oster will receive \$1.50 per hour raise, Marshal Rivers and Deputy Howard will be increased by 3%. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Henderson and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to move forward with the RMSA Loss prevention Grant in the amount of \$5000.00, purchases to included security systems at both treatment facilities and replacing the sidewalk in front of the Methodist Church. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to increase the travel reimbursement rate from \$0.545 per mile to \$0.575 per mile for the use of personal vehicles for Town Business. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Henderson to authorize the mayor to sign Resolution #243 which is an amendment to Resolution #242 expanding the impact of the storms from December 2019 and January 2020. Motion passed unanimously.

CITIZEN INPUT

Jilona Speer wanted to thank the Town workers for all their hard work during the flooding and water crisis.

COUNCIL TIME

The Mayor notified the Council that the Town purchased 200 sand bags and will be split between Town Hall and the Truck Shop located near the Sewer Plant. There is currently sand located at the Truck shop and the Town intends to also get some sand located at Town Hall for citizens when they may feel it is needed. They will be available to anyone who is currently in our water system.

C.M. Montgomery asked about the lights at Memorial Park and about what FEMA money would be available for. She was informed that Alex is still working on the lights at Memorial Park. Andy Caldwell explained what project is proposed to be completed with FEMA money, ultimately this is from the 2015 event, progress has been slow to move forward.

C.M. Henderson thanked Andy Caldwell for the flyers he produced for the Active Citizens Committee to go door to door around Town.

C.M. Milanowski welcomed Commissioner Jackson and thanked Andy Caldwell for his work during the rain and water crisis.

Commissioner Jackson urged the Pe Ell residents to sign up for Lewis County Alerts so they can remain informed about all Emergency situations in Pe Ell and Lewis County.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Montgomery to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED _____

ATTESTED _____