



CITY OF REPUBLIC
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 3, 2024

Those Present:

Council: Mayor: Gabe Becklin, Council Members: Liz Stinson, Marty Rugo, Mari Jo Olsen, Eric Hulse and Jim Burnside

Employees: Clerk-Treasurer Nick Olsen, Deputy Clerk Robyn Turcotte, Building Inspector Todd Cole & Public Works Director RJ Plaster

Meeting Called to Order:

Mayor Gabe Becklin called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call: All Present

Agenda Approval:

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Liz, seconded by Mari Jo.

Consent Agenda:

- Review Minutes for August 19, 2024
- Review payroll check #'s & Benefit's EBT amount -4358-4362-\$32,299.69
- Review accounts payable check #'s & amount - 65298-65315- \$ 426,677.81
- Review State Transmittal- \$48,209.82

Motion: Unanimous approval after a motion by Liz, second by Mari Jo.

Public Comment:

Amber Maycumber- Amber asked for City permission to hold the Halloween House Event again this year on October 31, 2024 from 3 pm to 7 pm. This event will take place on North Clark Ave from 6th Street to Delaware Street and in Patterson Park.

Motion: Approved unanimously to accept the Halloween House Event, after a motion by Jim, seconded by Eric.

Kelly Bell- Kelly inquired about the work planned for Delaware Court.

Bob Dean- Bob discussed the delays with the power pole and lights at the Skate Park and Tiger Trail parking lot. The process is being delayed temporarily until there is an MOU in place between Ferry County and the City.

Correspondence: No Correspondence

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: No New Business

Ordinances / Resolutions: No ordinances or Resolutions

Department Head Reports

RJ Plaster- RJ reported the public works crew is working on the school water line project; the Otta Seal project is underway; the public works crew has replaced several broken meters with only a few left to replace and RJ was training last week in Yakima for water treatment CEU's. Jim Burnside stressed the importance of finishing the school water line project this weekend.

Nick Olsen – Clerk-Treasurer- Nick reported on the following:

- New Draft Personnel Policy- was presented to Council for review.
- New Mechanical/Plumbing Application Permit- The application streamlines the process by breaking out certain categories from the Building Permit Application.

Motion: Approved unanimously to accept the New Mechanical/Plumbing Application Permit, after a motion by Mari Jo, seconded by Liz.

- Public Works Grant/Loan Application- Nick was seeking Council approval to submit the Public Works Board grant/loan application for the Water system plan update. He isn't sure how much will be loan and how much will be grant but the first step is to get the application in. They can negotiate the amounts if it is approved.
- MRSC Small Works Roster- MRSC has a state-wide small works roster that will be able to streamline the application process for contractors.

Motion: Approved unanimously to pay the \$135.00 annual fee for MRSC membership after a motion by Liz, seconded by Eric.

- **Delaware Street Court Quotes:** Discussion was held regarding the contractors' training for prevailing wage compliance. Of the quotes received, one was found to be in compliance.

- **Motion:** Approved unanimously to accept the bid from Hammer MNT for \$24,075.00 after a motion by Mari Jo, seconded by Liz.

Mayor/ Council Reports:

Gabe Becklin - Discussed RCO Grant support for the Shooting Range and provided updates on the Otta Seal Project. Gabe also addressed the water damage on North Adams and held discussions with the County Commissioners regarding splitting the cost of maintaining the porta potty located at the Tiger Trail Entrance and Skate Park.

Liz Stinson- Liz inquired about a damaged lantern light pole on Hwy 20 West.

Motion: The meeting adjourned at 5:51 PM following a motion by Liz Stinson, seconded by Marty Rugo.

ATTEST:



GABE BECKLIN, MAYOR



ROBYN TURCOTTE- DEPUTY CLERK