

**REGULAR SESSION OF
ENTIAT CITY COUNCIL
MAYOR JOHN ALT, PRESIDING
ENTIAT FIRE STATION
NOVEMBER 14, 2019; 7:00PM**

ROLL CALL: Mayor John Alt, Councilmember Paul Moore, Councilmember Marie Stenberg, Councilmember David Swearingen, Councilmember Michael Chambers and Councilmember Lalla Przespolewski.

STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director Mark Botello, Public Works Director Mike Herdt and Clerk/Treasurer Deborah de la Mora.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Alt called the meeting to order at 1:33 pm and established that there was a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Councilmember Stenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

MINUTES:

A. Consideration of Minutes: Regular Session Minutes of October 24, 2019.

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Przespolewski to amend the minutes at the second motion under the payables after Mayor expenses to add in that I said ‘I asked for those expenses for a few months and still do not see them.’ And Mayor Alt responded by saying ‘which part of this witch hunt do you want to know about.’ My response was ‘I can’t believe you are accusing me of a witch hunt how rude. I am doing my job as a Councilmember to be responsible to the City taxpayers’, second by Councilmember Stenberg.

Mayor Alt read a statement from the City Attorney Steve Smith that was provided to Council in March of 2019. Council had a brief discussion. Clerk/Treasurer de la Mora stated she would need to listen to the recorder again to make sure the amendment is accurate.

The motion failed 2-3-0. (Councilmember Moore, Councilmember Chambers, Councilmember Swearingen - Nay)

Council Action: Councilmember Swearingen made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, second by Councilmember Chambers. The motion carried 3-2-0. (Councilmember Przespolewski and Councilmember Stenberg – Nay.)

PAYABLES:

A. Payables Warrant Numbers 22649-22685:	Total \$200,070.68
B. Electronic Fund Transfers:	Total \$ 5,049.96
C. Payroll Check No. 9671 and Direct Deposit:	Total \$ 58,935.45
	Total \$264,056.09

Council Action: A motion was made by Councilmember Swearingen, second by Councilmember Chambers to approve the Payables as presented. Council discussion ensued.

The motion carried 3-1-1. (Councilmember Stenberg – Nay, Councilmember Przespolewski – Abstained due to not having enough time to review the payables.)

CITIZEN COMMENTS

A few citizens raised concerns over the completion of the Cammack/Olin project. Council and Staff addressed their concerns.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ad Valorem Tax and Other Revenue Sources (Published in the Wenatchee World on 11/6/2019)

Mayor Alt opened the public hearing at 7:30 pm. Hearing no public comments, Council and Staff had a brief discussion. Mayor Alt closed the public hearing at 7:32 pm. No action was taken.

Development Code Amendments (Published in the Wenatchee World on 11/6/2019)

Mayor Alt opened the public hearing at 7:32 pm. Hearing no public comment, Council and Staff discussed the revisions. Mayor Alt closed the public hearing at 7:35 pm. No action was taken.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Ordinance 2019-804 Zone Change Proposal

Council Action: Councilmember Chambers made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-804 as presented, second by Councilmember Swearingen. Council had a brief discussion.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

Ordinance 2019-805 Use Districts Designation

Council Action: Councilmember Swearingen made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-805 as presented, second by Councilmember Chambers. Council discussion ensued.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

Columbia Valley Community Health Memorandum of Understanding

Mayor and Staff stated at the advice of the City Attorney, to not sign the Memorandum of Understanding and instead provide a letter of support. No action was taken.

Agreement between City and Standard Pallet Co. for Wood Grinding

Council Action: Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve the agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract, second by Councilmember Stenberg. Council and Staff had a brief discussion.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

Naming of New Park on Olin Street

Director Botello read the staff report.

Council Action: Councilmember Przespolewski made a motion to name the new park ‘Buzz B Park,’ second by Councilmember Moore. Council discussion ensued.

Council Action: Councilmember Chambers made a motion to amend the motion to name the park ‘Theodore “Buzz” Butts Park,’ second by Councilmember Swearingen. Council had a brief discussion.

The motion to amend the motion carried 4-1-0. (Councilmember Przespolewski – Nay)

Council had no further discussion.

The motion to name the new park ‘Theodore “Buzz” Butts Park’ carried 4-1-0 (Councilmember Przespolewski – Nay)

2020 Agreement for Emergency Services

Mayor Alt gave an overview of the Agreement.

Council Action: Councilmember Moore made a motion to approve the Agreement as presented and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement, second by Councilmember Chambers. Council discussion ensued.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

Cities Insurance Association of Washington Policy

Mayor and Staff gave Council an overview of the proposed 2019-2020 policy update. No action was taken.

Department of Commerce Letter about Comprehensive Plan Update

Director Botello gave a brief overview. No action was taken.

Council Action: Councilmember Moore made a motion to amend the agenda order to discuss Employee Wage Ranges before the 2020 Budget Discussion, second by Councilmember Swearingen.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

Employee Wage Range

Council Action: Councilmember Swearingen made a motion to approve the Employee Wage Ranges as presented, second by Councilmember Przespolewski.

Mayor Alt gave an overview of the proposed Employee Wage Ranges. Council discussion ensued.

The motion carried 5-0-0.

2020 Budget Discussion

Council and Staff discussion ensued. No action was taken.

DEPARTMENT/BOARD REPORTS:

A) Community Development:

Director Botello gave a general overview of the committees he is working with.

B) Public Works/Maintenance:

Director Herdt stated his team is working hard to get everything ready before the snow falls.

C) Council Reports:

Councilmember Moore stated the next Housing Authority meeting is on November 21st. At that meeting they will be discussing the potential funding for the acquisition of private property located in Entiat. Councilmember Moore stated he is the new Interim Director for the North Central Washington Economic Development District.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A) Economic Advisory Board:

Councilmember Moore stated the Board is looking for more members.

B) Planning Commission:

Director Botello stated the Commission is looking for more members.

C) Park Board:

Director Botello stated the Board is looking for more members.

D) Tree Board:

Director Botello stated the Board is looking for more members.

D) Chamber of Commerce:

Ms. Swearingen stated the Holiday Bazaar was a huge success. Their next meeting is December 5, 2019 at 6:30 pm, at the Entiat Pub and Grub.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Alt said it has been a privilege to serve for the City. Mayor Alt welcomed Michael Buckingham and wished him well as the future Mayor.

ADJOURNMENT:

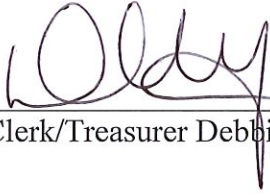
There being no further business, Mayor Alt adjourned the Council Meeting at 8:38 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME:

The next scheduled City Council meeting at the Entiat Fire Station is November 27, 2019 at 1:30 pm.

Minutes prepared by Debbie de la Mora

Approved this 27 day of November, 2019.



Clerk/Treasurer Debbie de la Mora



Mayor Michael Buckingham