

**ENTIAT CITY COUNCIL
MAYOR PRO-TEM SWEARINGEN, PRESIDING
ENTIAT FIRE STATION
MARCH 28, 2019**

ROLL CALL: Mayor Pro-Tem David Swearingen, Councilmember Marie Stenberg, Councilmember Lalla Przespolewski, Councilmember Michael Chambers, and Councilmember Paul Moore. (Mayor John Alt excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Community Development Director RJ Lott, Deputy Clerk Debbie de la Mora, and Public Works Director Mike Herdt.

VISITORS: Kelly Krueger Entiat Resident Isaac Heckman Entiat Land Owner
Bridget Mire Wenatchee World Cathy Montgomery Entiat Valley Community Services

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm and established a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Consideration of Minutes: Regular Session Minutes, March 14, 2019.

Council Action: Councilmember Chambers moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Councilmember Moore. The motion carried 4-0.

B. Payables Warrant Numbers: 22276-22288 Total \$20,640.43

Councilmember Stenberg stated she would like the following in the minutes, "For the past few weeks council has discussed attorney fees and even passed a resolution to maintain these fees at a reasonable cost. At the February 28, 2019 Council meeting, attorney fees that I as a Councilmember had incurred on behalf of the City were brought to question. The total amount was about \$275.00. So, after reviewing the payables set to pay March 28, 2019, I am questioning these attorney fees particular the cost associated with 'City Council member bringing comfort animal to Entiat City Council meetings.' Over \$1,000.00 was spent on researching this. This research could have been provided for free from MRSC and I have provided council with that from MRSC monthly newsletter. I also feel that this was directed at me as I am the only Councilmember with a service animal. And I would like a copy of all research related to this provided by the attorney."

Council Action: Councilmember Stenberg made a motion to amend the payables to withhold the check to Davis Arneil Law Firm, second by Councilmember Przespolewski.

Council discussed whether or not they have more information relating to the credit Mayor Alt stated the City should receive. No one had information.

The motion carried 4-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Ordinance 2019-799 District Use Chart relating to Data Processing Center

Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen opened the public hearing at 1:34 pm.

Director Lott gave an overview of Ordinance 2019-799 which is to continue the existing moratorium. This requires a work plan by either staff or the Planning Commission.

Mayor-Pro Tem Swearingen opened the hearing for public comment at 1:36 pm. No public comment.

Hearing no further council discussion, Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen closed the public hearing at 1:37 pm.

Council Action: Councilmember Chambers made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-799 as presented, second by Councilmember Moore. The motion carried 4-0.

Ordinance 2019-797 Park Lands

Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen opened the public hearing at 1:38 pm.

Director Lott gave a brief overview.

Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen opened the hearing for public comment at 1:40 pm. No public comment.

Councilmembers discussed Ordinance 2019-797.

Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen closed the public hearing at 1:43 pm.

Council Action: Councilmember Stenberg made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-797 as presented, second by Councilmember Moore. The motion carried 4-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS/CARRY-IN ITEMS:

Mr. Heckman stated he has a purchase and sale agreement and is conducting a feasibility study on property along 97A. When he put in his offer for the property his real estate agent told him it was zoned for multi-residential, but after speaking with Director Lott, found out that was incorrect. Mr. Heckman said after speaking with Director Lott, he is here today about the possibly of re-zoning the property to mixed use. He handed out a drawing of what the apartment complex would look like along with a map of his property. Director Lott suggested doing an inclusion to the use chart that would take all Highway Commercial properties and allow for first-floor commercial with second and third-floor residential. Council discussed and would like to see the request go through Planning Commission at their next meeting on April 9, 2019, and have their recommendation presented at the next council meeting.

Ms. Montgomery with Entiat Valley Community Services stated she would like a representative from the City to stop by on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday morning and see what they are doing. She let us know of the Easter Egg Hunt at the City Park on April 20, 2019.

DEPARTMENT/BOARD REPORTS:

A) Community Development:

Director Lott stated April 1st, the Cammack/Olin re-bid is opening. April 17th is the Fire Station Park bid opening. Director Lott attended a meeting at the City of Wenatchee regarding outreach for the 2020 Census. This Census will be key in many areas and he would like to see the city provide assistance/help in filling out the forms and/or put out flyers to help promote city-wide participation.

B) Public Works:

Director Herdt stated he has started street sweeping. His team is getting the park ready to open, and hopes to get the bathrooms opened in the next few weeks. Director Herdt said he has put out job advertisement for seasonal park staff as well as for a seasonal utility maintenance worker.

C) Code Enforcement:

Councilmember Stenberg stated she would like a report.

D) Council Reports:

Councilmember Stenberg stated she is having difficulty finding the time and dates for the Humane Society meetings. Mayor Pro-Tem Swearingen stated at the Entiat School Board meeting they were discussing their funding, and how to afford a new roof and HVAC system.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A) Economic Advisory Board:

Councilmember Moore stated the 75th anniversary celebration is coming up on May 18, 2019, and there has been lots of coordination between different entities here in town. Councilmember Moore stated the Board is close to getting the website launched but has some legalities that our City Attorney will be looking over and addressing as he looks over the website as a whole.

B) Planning Commission:

Councilmember Chambers stated the Planning Commission is walking through the definitions in the use chart and are slowly making progress.

C) Chamber of Commerce:

Councilmember Stenberg gave an overview of the Kite Festival that will be held this weekend on March 30th.

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Resolution 2019-453 Compost Fees

Council Action: Councilmember Moore made a motion to continue discussion of Resolution 2019-453 to the next Council meeting on April 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm, based on waiting to get a response back from MRSC about how the City collects those fees and if there is a better way. Second by Councilmember Chambers. The motion carried 4-0.

Council would like to discuss this at the workshop on April 9, 2019 at 1:30 pm.

Director Herdt stated he would like to open the compost pit the first weekend of April. Council discussed that it will be the same as always until they approve these fees.

Councilmember Moore was excused at 2:27 pm.

Councilmember Chambers asked Director Herdt if he could write out on the invoices to explain what the parts he is buying are for. Director Herdt stated that would not be an issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

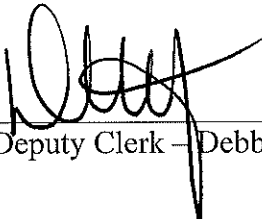
There being no further business, Mayor Pro-Tem closed the meeting at 2:29 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME:

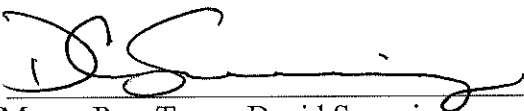
The next scheduled City Council meeting will be held at the Entiat Fire Station on April 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

Minutes prepared by Debbie de la Mora

Approved this 11th day of April, 2019.



Deputy Clerk – Debbie de la Mora



Mayor Pro -Tem – David Swearingen

