

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 12/28/2017

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Council Members present: Alan Caswell
 John Fleming
 Hans Smith via telephone
 Josh Thomson

Council Member absent: Aaron Studen

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Thomson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the public comment period at 5:34 P.M.

Mark Edson read a section of the Twisp Municipal Code Section 17.40.050 regarding drainage plans with all new developments. He stated he had sent a letter in September 2017 and has reissued it several times but cannot get an answer from the Town with regards to drainage issues near his property. Mayor Ing-Moody stated that she and Public Works Director Denham had recently discussed the issue and that Director Denham should be in touch with Mr. Edson soon.

Public comment period closed at 5:37 P.M.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody had nothing to report.

Staff Reports

Written staff reports were submitted and placed in the Council packets for review. Mayor Ing-Moody asked Council if they had any questions regarding the reports submitted by the Department Heads.

Moriarty – Clerk Moriarty stated that legal counsel had recommended another section be added to the 2017 Budget Amendment to clarify the creation of new fund #311. Clerk Moriarty stated Resolution #17-615 regarding the Public Records Disclosure Process had been renumbered to #17-317.

Denham – Director Denham was not present for the meeting.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

Council Member Caswell informed the Council he had attended the Planning Commission meeting and that the Commission recommended the Council pass Ordinance #724 Wireless Communications Facilities after holding a public hearing. He stated the group discussed the Idle-A-While property briefly as well as

the development of the Twisp River Suites property and the fact that the project needs to include 30% open space which has not been completed.

Clerk Moriarty stated that the Chairman of the Planning Commission Vicki Hallowell had resigned at the same meeting.

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that she and Clerk Moriarty had attended the Methow Watershed Council (MWC) meeting. The Mayor of Winthrop was also in attendance. She expressed displeasure against the proposed use of consensus decision making and that the item was tabled until the next meeting to decide if the idea would be in the best interest of the MWC. Mayor Ing-Moody stated there was a small group of volunteers who would be reviewing the Hirst Decision on water rights. The group consists of Okanogan County Commissioner Andy Hover, Natalie Kuehler, Bill Tackman, and Mayor Ing-Moody. She also stated she would be attending the next MWC meeting.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Action: Resolution #17-618 – Fee Schedule-

Motion: Council Member Smith moved to approve Resolution #17-618 - Fee Schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed unanimously.

Action: Ordinance #724 – Wireless Communications Facilities

Mayor Ing-Moody discussed Ordinance #724 – Wireless Communications Facilities. Council Member Fleming asked that the Ordinance be summarized for the Council. The Mayor reported that cities are fighting communications companies wanting to use the right of way for their equipment. Twisp is further behind other cities with regards to technology but stated the Town needed to align its laws with State and Federal laws for the future.

Motion: Council Member Fleming moved to approve Ordinance #724 – Wireless Communications Facilities as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Caswell and passed unanimously.

Discussion: Personnel Policy Manual Updates: Clerk Moriarty discussed some of the changes related to the Personnel Policy Manual as recommended by legal counsel. Some of the changes included definitions of immediate family and the new law for 2018 regarding paid sick leave. Mayor Ing-Moody asked the Council to review the changes and forward any questions to Clerk Moriarty. She stated that the item will be moved to an action item at the next meeting if there are no changes.

Action/Discussion: North Cascades Smoke Jumper Base (Letter of Support): Mayor Ing-Moody reported that it had taken a long time to put together the letter of support to keep the North Cascades Smokejumper Base and asked the council to pass the action to send the letter of support in 2018.

Motion: Council Member Fleming moved to approve the Letter of Support for the North Cascades Smoke Jumper Base. The motion was seconded by Council Member Thomson and passed unanimously.

Action: Final Project Acceptance – SR20 Curb and Sidewalk Project

Motion: Council Member Fleming moved to approve the Final Project Acceptance of the SR20 Curb and Sidewalk project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Caswell and passed unanimously.

Action: Recognition of Service-Mayor Ing-Moody presented Council Member Thomson with a certificate of appreciation for his time served on the Town Council. The Council, Mayor, and staff thanked him for his service and wished Council Member Thomson luck in the future.

Consent Agenda

- Accounts Payable/Payroll

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the Town Council. The following voucher/checks are approved for payment by a majority vote on this 28th day of December, 2017.

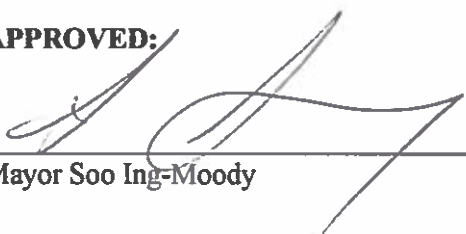
FP Francotyp-Postalia	EFT – Trans #3173	\$500.00	12/14/2017
US Dept. of Agriculture	EFT – Trans #3186	\$22,652.00	12/19/2017
US Dept of Agriculture	EFT – Trans #3187	\$683.00	12/19/2017
John Deere Financial	EFT – Trans #3188	\$142.92	12/19/2017
Accounts Payable	Check #33647-33670	\$445,582.55	12/28/2017
Accounts Payable	Check #33671-33677	\$441.00	12/28/2017

Council Member Smith moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty