

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 02/12/2019

Mayor Ing – Moody called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Council Members present: Mark Easton
Hans Smith
Aaron Studen
Hannah Cordes

Council Members absent: Alan Caswell

Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Easton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

Deletions:

Presentation: Sports Complex Phase I Project – RWD Architects – will be rescheduled due to weather.

Public Comment:

Leone Edson – Brought photos of water drainage to show Council Members of the area in which she lives that has a Planned Development in it's final stage of approval. Her opinion is that the water runoff is coming from the Planned Development and running through her property and her neighbor's property causing erosion and damage. She would like the Council to investigate the matter further.

Mark Edson – He stated that he feels the same as his wife. He thinks that the Planning Commission does not know about the drainage issues that are happening in that area. He stated that water is running into homeowners' yards from the development and has thought about buying approved dye to test his thinking. He would like Council to review all of the information about the Planned Development prior to making a decision on the final approval.

Dick Pattison – He wanted to speak on the Twisp Airport Advisory Board's proposal on the new lease rate structure. He would like the pilots and the town to work together to come to an agreement with the lease rates as it relates to the new insurance requirements. He is proposing an option that he feels demonstrates fairness to everyone to get them to convert to the new lease.

Paul Barth – He stated that there was always a mud hole on May St. He thinks that Isabella lane is causing the water runoff into May St and not his planned development, as stated by the Edsons. He feels that he has done everything correct and has met all of the engineering standards and even went back and made adjustments after a secondary Engineering review.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Ing – Moody reported that the AWC action days that were scheduled for this week have been cancelled due to inclement weather. She handed out a packet to all Council Members to review the Top 6 Legislative priorities that AWC has adopted for the 2019 legislative session. She also encouraged Council attend any courses, trainings and annual meetings that AWC offers since they are a great way to learn the role of elected officials while getting certification at the same time. Mayor Ing – Moody also stated that she had had meetings scheduled with legislators in Olympia but will now be rescheduling these appointments.

Staff Reports:

N/A

Commission/Committee/Board Reports:

Council Member Easton reported that Friends of the Pool met recently to discuss their upcoming Founders Appreciation dinner on April 14th. They are also working on writing a grant that would fund a study for an in-depth evaluation of the pool.

Council Member Smith reported that the Twisp Airport Advisory Board has met twice in special meetings to come to an agreement on a lease rate.

Mayor Ing – Moody reported on the OCOG meeting, stating that the Council established two priority projects to conclude the 2017-2019 SFY and the upcoming 2019-2012 SFY. These projects include 2 planning studies: Primitive Road study and Mainstreet / Highway Study. She stated that though the County had offered to do the Primitive Roads study in-house within their planning department, the Council decided for purposes of objectivity, inclusiveness, and outreach to hire an outside contractor to do the work instead.

Mayor Ing – Moody also reported that she attended the Twisp Chamber of Commerce Sip and Chat at the Twisp Daily Arts and Crafts Business. She said it was great to hear from local businesses on their plans for upcoming changes to their businesses.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Action: Final Approval Schoolhouse Plat

Council Member Smith moved to approve the Schoolhouse Plat. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Airport Lease Rates:

Council Member Smith opened the discussion on the Airport Lease Rate. He has enjoyed working with everyone on the Twisp Airport Advisory Board and feels that everyone there is hoping for the same success in accomplishing what is needed for the Town and TAAB to reach an agreement. He recommends to the Council that they move forward with TAAB's lease rate recommendation, which is less than the

Council had last accepted. He expressed his support in accepting the lower lease rate being largely due to the value which is brought in by potentially greater numbers of leaseholders who may agree to signing the new lease agreement.

Council Member Studen mentioned that as a person who has been personally affected by fire, he knows a lot about insurance and its importance and value to the insured when something adverse happens to their property. His experience is that the 3rd party is usually the one who gets the brunt when an accident happens, and as such, feels that the insurance conversation and coverage is a critical one for the Town when it comes to the Airport Lease.

Council Member Easton feels that the lease cost and insurance pales in comparison to the cost of owning an airplane and/or a hangar. He would like to know what the numbers would be if the lease rate was more like 70% instead of the proposed 60%. He wanted to make sure the town is receiving enough revenue to cover the cost of ongoing airport expenditures.

Council Member Cordes is in support of TAAB's lease rate recommendation. She feels as a pilot and hangar owner that if the rate goes too high, there will be less pilots willing to convert to the new lease and the funds that could be collected in the meantime will be lost.

Mayor Ing – Moody asked the Council what the level of confidence is that the pilots will sign up with the new lease if their lease rate recommendation were to be accepted. She asked if there was any guarantee that there will be at least a certain number of conversions that can be anticipated over to the new lease. The discussion concluded that though there is no guarantee, it is anticipated that some will and possibly more if their proposed rate were accepted.

Council Member Studen moved to approve TAAB's recommended lease rate option #2 \$394.50. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Twisp Gateway Public Meeting:

Council Member Smith moved to set the Gateway Art Presentation Public Meeting on February 27th at 5pm at the Howards Studio on the TwispWorks Campus. The motion was seconded by Council Member Easton and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Council Committee Appointments:

Mayor Ing – Moody opened discussion of new Council Committee Appointments. Council Members went through the list of available options and made selections.

Consent Agenda:

- Accounts Payable/Payroll
- Minutes Approval: 7/24/18; 10/09/18; 1/8/19; 1/22/19

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 12th day of February 2019.

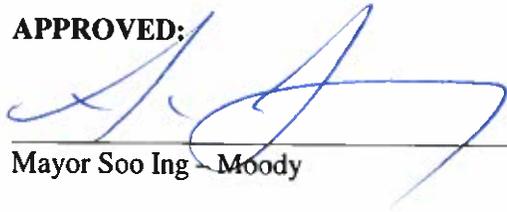
Accounts Payable	EFT # 413-416	1646.42	02/12/2019
Accounts Payable	Warrant # 34562-34599	31711.43	02/12/2019
Payroll	EFT# 321-389 Warrant # 14418	65069.57	01/31/2019

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

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing – Moody adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing - Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer