

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 6/25/2019

Mayor Pro Tem Smith called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Cordes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

N/A

Public Comment:

Dennis Doyle stated that he doesn't feel we need a separate Parks District. He feels that he is taxed enough, and he doesn't need or want more taxes. He thinks that if we want to run a pool it should be funded as a covered pool and needs to be run properly. He also feels that we don't need more trails that we can't maintain. He stated that his Church recently rented the park for a picnic. Upon arriving he noticed that the park was full of garbage, all the cans were overflowing, and there was dog poop everywhere. He stated that he had to spend time cleaning up the park prior to the event. He left a garbage bag hanging and noticed it was still there 2 weeks later. He also stated that the BBQ grills are filthy and need to be cleaned.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Ing-Moody is away at the AWC Annual Conference in Spokane. Mayor Pro-Tem Smith announced that the County Commissioners have issued a burn ban. The Town of Twisp will follow Twisp's Municipal Code which refers to the County for burn ban information.

Staff Reports:

Director Denham has a pre-construction meeting for the Canyon Street Project on July 8th with an anticipated start date of July 15th. He said that the road will be closed to local traffic only and Trango will have to use an alternate route. He has submitted the application for the North Town Project – some will be funded by TIB. They are working with Varela on specifics. He is expecting to hear about funding for the South Taxiway Airport grant around the first week of July. He also has hired a new Public Works employee to replace the previous hire, so he hopes to get them on board and trained as soon as possible.

Chief Budrow reported that Twisp Police are watching the intersection of Twisp Ave and Lincoln St. There are a lot of people running the stop signs and going too fast. Right now they are educating drivers

as they are pulled over but will be ticking soon as the children are out and about in that area of the Town Park and Pool.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports:

Council Member Caswell reported on the Planning Commission meeting on June 12th. He stated that they completed the zoning amendments for the critical areas of the comprehensive plan update. Planner Danison would like to submit the plan to Council for approval and begin the 60-day review period. At the next meeting they are planning on working on the possibility of open spaces and a clearing and grading permit.

Council Member Easton reported on the TERC meeting on June 12th. They hosted Annette Roth from the Washington State Creative District. After the presentation, it was determined that the Town would be the lead agency along with TERC's help working with Methow Art's to apply for the Creative District. He also reported for the Chamber of Commerce meeting that took place. He said that the Chamber has a new logo: a sunflower in the summer and an icicle in the winter. They are helping to promote Peace Van Outfitters trying to bring campers, hikers and tourism to the area. The idea is that they have all the equipment needed and their customers would just show up and use the provided gear for their adventures.

Council Member Studen reported that he attended the first TranGo steering committee meeting regarding the need to find a suitable site to build a new facility and maintenance shop to service their vehicles. Design West will conduct the feasibility study.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Action: Creative Arts District – Lead Agency:

The discussion was opened by Mayor Pro-Tem Smith about the possibility of the Town becoming the lead agency in the establishment of a Creative Arts District. Methow Arts would do the administrative work and complete the application process. The application process takes about 6-9 months. TERC would help lead and guide the process. The question that remains unanswered is if there is going to be a cost to the town, and if so, what would that look like in the future. Council Members would like to have more questions answered in regard to the process and will table this discussion for a future Council Meeting.

Discussion/Action: Letter of Support – Mural Commission:

Council Member Studen moved to approve a letter of support for the Mural Commission. The motion was seconded by Council Member Easton and passed with Mayor Pro-Tem abstaining.

Action: Resolution 19-643 – Adoption of Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan STIP:

Council Member Caswell moved to approve Resolution #19-643 – Adoption of Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP). The motion was seconded by Council Member Easton and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Resolution 19-644 – Right of Way Acquisition Procedures:

Council Member Studen moved to approve Resolution #19-644 – Right of Way Acquisitions Procedures. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cordes and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Planning Commission Recommendation to Chapter 18.60 TMC – Adopting Updated Section 5 Resource Lands, Critical Areas, and Shorelines:

The Amended version did not make it into the packet so Council Members would like to table this discussion until the next Council Meeting for further review.

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 25^h day of June 2019.

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| Accounts Payable | EFT# 1391-1392 | 1183.00 | 6/25/2019 |
| Accounts Payable | Warrants # 34829-34856 | 195399.48 | 6/25/2019 |
| Payroll | EFT# 1337-1341 | 5660.00 | 6/14/2019 |

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

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Pro-Tem Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:18pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Pro Tem Smith

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Randy Kilmer