

Town of Twisp
Council Minutes – 01/13/15
7:00 PM

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Council Members present: Bob Lloyd
 Dwight Filer
 Aaron Studen

Council Member absent: Traci Day
 John Fleming

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Filer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: None

Deletions: None

Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes

Gayle Clemens, Twisp, spoke about pedestrian safety in Twisp. She stated she had witnessed numerous incidents of pedestrians not being acknowledged at crosswalks by drivers. She stated that she was willing to participate in a Community Task Force to look at the issue of pedestrian safety in Twisp.

Mayor Ing-Moody stated that pedestrian safety concerns had been raised in the recent past and that Chief Budrow has been gathering information from other communities. It was noted that some options considered included installing flags at crosswalks that pedestrians could carry while crossing the street and the installation of flashing lights by the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Mayor Ing-Moody stated because Highway 20 is under the control of the Department of Transportation, the DOT would be involved in any infrastructure improvements to pedestrian safety on Highway 20.

Ms. Clemens was thanked for her concern and willingness to participate in a task force to educate the community. In the meantime, she was encouraged to remain in contact with Chief Budrow.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She reported that there is a Council of Governments meeting scheduled for February 9th to discuss the Human Services Transportation Plan.
- She reported that February 18 & 19 are Association of Washington Cities Action Days in Olympia. If any council member wanted to attend, they should register with AWC. Clerk Moriarty can assist with registration.
- She reported that Representative Condotta had called with new suggestions for the member requested capital budget for the town hall. She is scheduling a Town Hall sub-committee meeting to discuss and implement the suggestions.
- She reported that the application to the Department of Commerce for the Planning Only Grant for revitalization of downtown Twisp is in the writing stage at this time.

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.

Chief Budrow

Chief Budrow reported that a number of the vehicle prowls noted on his monthly police report were for cut lines to fuel tanks whereby gas was then drained from vehicles.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

There were no reports submitted.

Council Member Filer: Liaison to Okanogan County Transportation Authority

Council Member Filer reported that he had attended an Okanogan County Transportation Authority (OCTA) board meeting the night before and the first transit bus had just arrived in Okanogan. The board members toured the bus and noted the state of the art features of the bus. He stated that the transit service will start this summer.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #15-551 – Building Inspector Contract

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that the Town's agreement with Winthrop to contract for building inspector services did not change from 2014 to 2015. Mayor-Ing Moody noted that the Council will see an accounts payable payment for \$200 to Winthrop for Inspector Straub's "Existing Buildings Code" training carried over from 2014, but note that from 2015 and forward the

building inspector's training costs are confirmed by Winthrop to be their responsibility as covered in the contract.

Motion:

Council Member Filer moved to approve Resolution #15-551, building inspector services contract with the Town of Winthrop. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed unanimously.

Isabella Ridge Plat No. 1 – Preliminary Approval

The Planning Commission held an open public hearing on December 10, 2014 to take public comments on the Isabella Ridge Plat No. 1 and at that time voted to recommend preliminary approval of the Isabella Ridge Plat No. 1 to Council.

Motion:

Council Member Lloyd moved to give preliminary approval to Isabella Ridge Plat No. 1. The motion was seconded by Council Member Filer and passed unanimously.

Mary Bean Recognition Proclamation

Mary Bean, a long time Twisp resident, turned 100 years old on December 30, 2014. Mayor Ing-Moody and Council want to recognize her long standing value in the community, due to her many achievements and contributions.

Motion:

Council Member Studen moved to approve the proclamation honoring Mary Bean on her 100th birthday. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lloyd and passed unanimously.

Department of Health Grant Approval for Application Submittal

Director Denham reported that the Town is working on a Drinking Water Grant through the Washington State Department of Health. The process is very competitive with many communities asking for funds. Director Denham and RH2 are reviewing Twisp's application. The Town is presently asking for funds to improve out of commission wells and funding for cross control connection and back flow management plan.

DNR Agreement for the Rental of the Airport

The Town of Twisp and the Department of Natural Resources has had a standing contract for rental of the Twisp Municipal Airport property for emergencies.

The Council discussed adding language to better note which portion of the airport property could be occupied under the sub-section Property. It was noted that at some point, there will be improvements to the game field portion of the Sports Complex property. At such time, the Town will not want that portion used, if possible. Mayor Ing-Moody will add language to better define which property would be available for rental use in the case of a future emergency.

Motion:

Council Member Filer moved to approve the Department of Natural Resources agreement for rental of the Airport property as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Position

Council Member Fleming is the present mayor pro-tem but he asked for and received approval of the Council to be gone through March. Mayor pro-tem positions are reappointed every six months and Council Member Fleming’s appointment has expired.

Mayor Ing-Moody asked if the Council was ready to appoint a mayor pro-tem. Council Members Lloyd, Studen, and Filer stated that they would rather wait until Council Member Day returned from a vacation to make that decision. The appointment of a mayor pro-tem will be rescheduled for when Council Member Day returns.

Consent Agenda

- Accounts Payable/Payroll
- Minutes – 12/18/14

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 13th day of January, 2015.

M.V News	Check # 31179	\$266.88	12/22/14
Francotyp-Postalia	EFT Trans # 2893	\$500.00	12/23/14
Payroll	Checks # 13946-13961 EFTs Trans # 2951-2954	\$43,415.58	12/31/14
Accounts Payable	Checks # 31180-31215	\$33,051.03	12/31/14
Cashmere Valley Bank	EFTs Trans # 71-73	\$2,341.51	01/01/15
Accounts Payable	Checks # 31216-31224	\$5,576.20	01/13/15
Payroll	Checks 13963-13966	\$3,650.00	01/15/15

Motion:

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

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 7:40 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty