

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 2/25/2020

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Studen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

N/A

Public Comment:

Kyrie Jardin is part of the Dark Skies Coalition and he stated he would like to be part of the conversation when the Planning Commission works on the Comprehensive Plan.

Miles Milliken wanted to comment on the new Town Hall. He thanked everyone for their hard work on the new building and he thinks that Twisp needs it. He thinks that the layout and design look great; he's ready for it to be built. He had a question regarding operations of where Town Hall will be located while the new building is built. Mayor Ing-Moody responded that Town Hall will be using temporary housing until the building is ready.

Katrina Auburn stated that the Town has done a great job with the design of the new building. She is concerned that the corner tower may be too tall and would like to see it come down in size. She stated that overall, the layout of the building is great.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that the next Council meeting will be run by Mayor Pro Tem Smith as she will be in Washington DC representing AWC at the National League of the Cities Congressional Conference. She stated that it's business as usual in Town with a lot of projects coming up.

Staff Reports

Director Denham reported that he had a great conversation with the Engineer with Rural Development and it all looks promising. Council Member Caswell asked Denham if he knew what the height of the new solar streetlights are compared to the height of the new building. Denham responded that he wasn't sure of the exact height but believes it should be about 20 ft high. Mayor Ing-Moody stated that she would like to ask the architects for a concept drawing of the towers showing what the height of the communications

tower will look like in comparison to the corner tower height. She stated that the architects may be able to adjust the height of the corner tower, if it is deemed desirable, but stated that the architects had shared that any changes to the corner can only be done if they do not require redesign of the structural integrity of the building at all.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

Council Member Cordes attended the recent Parks and Recreation Meeting. She stated they are continuing to work on the Parks Comprehensive Plan and are hoping to present it to council soon. They took public comment last week and felt there was valuable feedback given. She also attended the Tree Board meeting. They are making plans for Earth Day and Arbor Day, participating in a Valley wide celebration. They are also working on the Tree Management Plan for 2020 and are setting small attainable goals. Council Member Cordes attended the Friends of the Pool meeting. She said they continue to discuss the feasibility of a year-round pool or recreation center and are setting short term goals for the pool. Room one was present to talk about their organization's ability to help pay for pool passes for those in need.

Council Member Easton attended the Chamber of Commerce Sip and Chat. He said that all Board Members were reelected. He said they are continuing to talk about future events. The new website has gone live, so he encouraged everyone to check it out. They have a summer Art Walk/Brew Fest coming up in June. The next Sip and Chat is for April 20th at the Coaches Lounge.

Council Member Easton reported that Nick Hershenow from Parks and Recreation Commission, Dwight Filer from Tree Board, Council Member Caswell, and Council Member Easton met to discuss the Earth Day Celebrations in Twisp. Dwight offered to give a history tour of trees in Twisp. They also discussed some cleanup ideas. The plan is to come up with a list of ideas and then present them to Director Denham and Council for final approval.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Action American Legion Proclamation:

Mayor Ing-Moody stated that Keith Morden has been part of the American Legion in Twisp and would like to proclaim the Town of Twisp as an American Legion Town. Unfortunately, he was unable to attend the meeting so the Council would like to postpone this discussion for a future meeting.

Discussion/Action: Planning Commission 2020 Priorities Workplan:

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the discussion on the Planning Commission's 2020 Workplan. Planning Commission submitted a letter to Council stating the priority list they felt should be worked on during this year. Council Member Caswell stated he felt the list would take longer than a year to get through. He stated there was public comment at the last Planning Commission meeting that a property owner would like to rezone his property and was hoping that it would be part of the 2020 Workplan. Council Member Smith stated that he feels the list incorporated everything that Council requested for their priorities. He does feel that we need to resolve the sign code issues. Mayor Ing-Moody feels it's important for a sign code as the Town is going to be working on Wayfinding Signs and it's imperative that there is a functioning sign code in effect. Council Member Smith stated his desire to rearrange the priority list to move #3 – Title 14 Development Permits and #4 – Sign Code up in priority to #1 and #2 positions. The Council was unanimous in agreement that the Planning Commission could move forward with the priority

list on the 2020 Workplan, with the priority changes, and that staff would draft a letter identifying this final decision.

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 25th day of February 2020.

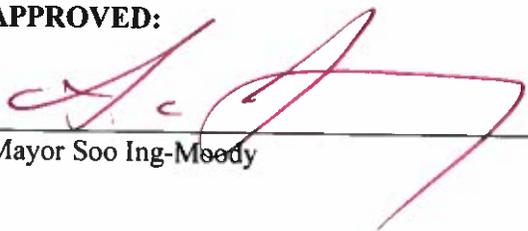
Payroll	EFT# 503-507	5760.	2/14/2020
Accounts Payable	Warrant # 35355-35372, 1535-1537	30423.45	2/25/2020
Accounts Payable	EFT#	826.06	2/25/2020

Council Member Easton 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 Ing – Moody adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Randy Kilmer

