

Town of Twisp
Council Minutes – 08/26/2014
7:00 PM

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Council Members present: Bob Lloyd
 John Fleming
 Dwight Filer
 Traci Day

Council Member absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Fleming led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing – Twisp Trails and Recreation Plan - Resolution #14-542

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the public hearing to take comments on Resolution #14-542, the Twisp Trails and Recreation Plan at 7:04 pm. There was no public present to make comments. Council Member Day noted that Resolution #14-542 is an update of the 2010 Twisp Trail and Recreation Plan. Mayor Ing-Moody closed the public hearing at 7:06 pm.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming made the motion to approve Resolution #14-542, the 2014 Twisp Trails and Recreation Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Filer and passed unanimously.

Public Hearing - Capital Facilities Plan - Resolution #14-453

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the public hearing to take comments on Resolution #14-543, the Capital Facilities Plan at 7:06 pm.

Changes were made to Resolution #14-453. Park/Recreation, Sports Complex Ball Field Improvements date was changed to 2015. The estimated cost of the project was changed to \$250,000 and the Proposed Funding Source was changed to include Recreation Conservation Office (RCO). Tennis Court for \$72,000 with a date of 2015 and Proposed Funding Source of Kiwanis and RCO was added.

Street System, Off Street Trails – From Methow Street to Trail North of Methow Bridge, the Proposed Funding Source was removed.

Town Hall/Police Department, Patrol Car – Replacement date was changed from 2014 to 2015.

Mayor Ing-Moody closed the public hearing at 7:14 pm.

Motion:

Council Member Day moved to approve the Capital Facilities Plan 2014-2019 as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Filer and passed unanimously.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: None

Deletions: None

Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes

There was no public comment.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She reported Senator Palette and others have sent a letter to President Obama requesting reconsideration on the Individual Disaster Assistance denial. The Mayor intends to send a letter from the Town as well.
- She reported that staff have been contacting local businesses to assess the impact of the disaster in an attempt to assist the Governor's office in creating a visual map of impacts to Town businesses.
- She reported she is in contact with the Governor's office and Senator Cantwell's office regarding her request for funding to enhance our law enforcement personnel.
- She reported that the Department of Commerce has given \$150,000 for tourism for work on a campaign to promote fire affected areas. The contract was given to BrandQuery. She and others will meet with them August 27th to provide input.
- She reported that during her recent trip to Olympia to promote Twisp's park and trail projects to Recreation Conservation Office (RCO), she met with Department of Commerce staff to inquire about opportunities for infrastructure improvements to Town facilities and business enhancement for economic development purposes. She stated that as a result of those meetings, a proposal for pro bono planning to assist us with prioritizing projects is in the works.
- She reported that a letter of intent has been sent to RCO for parks improvements under their Youth and Community Athletic Facilities grants program for our Sports Complex. Full applications are not available until spring 2015.
- She reported that the Public Works Superintendent position is being advertised with a second review of applications on September 8th.
- She reported that the state auditors are here to audit 2012 and 2013 for the Town and an Entrance meeting will be held on August 27th.
- She reported that she and Clerk Moriarty attended a FEMA briefing in Okanogan last week regarding the Public Assistance application requirements for reimbursement of losses due to the fires and flooding.

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.

Superintendent Moss

- He reported that water usage for 2014 will exceed our allowed water rights due to the water drawn by contractors to fight the fires, in addition to the altitude value that failed at the mill reservoir.
- He reported that the back-up generators used to keep the water and sewer systems functioning during the power outage worked well.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

There were no reports submitted.

Council Member Filer Liaison to Okanogan County Transit Authority

- He reported that the Okanogan County Transit Authority has tentatively hired Kelly Scalf as the CEO of OCTA. She would start the job on October 1st.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance #681 – Twisp Municipal Code Chapter 13.60 – Groundwater Well Drilling - MVID Well Project

Ordinance #681 was brought back to the Council as final draft changes were made to address concerns voiced by Council at the last meeting.

Motion:

The motion was made by Council Member Fleming to approve Ordinance #681-Twisp Municipal Code Chapter 13.60-Groundwater Well Drilling as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Day and passed unanimously.

Methow Valley Irrigation District Franchise

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that the franchise agreement between the Town and Methow Valley Irrigation District was not in Council packets at this time as it is still being drafted by Attorney DeTro.

Water and Sewer Rates

Mayor Ing-Moody noted the spreadsheets in Council packets with increases to water rates of 5% and 6.67 % and sewer rate increases of 3% and 5% over a five year period. She stated that the increases are projections of inflation costs. It was noted that regular increases to keep up with inflation avoid large single cost increases.

She stated that the Town has been falling behind in maintaining Town water and sewer infrastructure. She and the Council discussed how to present the water/sewer increases to the citizens of Twisp. They included:

- Listing projects and improvements that need to be accomplished
- Fact sheet
- Benefits of town water and sewer

- Value of our good tasting water

Action: The Public Works sub-committee and Superintendent Moss will meet and discuss the different ideas.

Resolution #14-544 – Okanogan County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan – Community Wildfire Protection Plan and Terrorism and Civil Unrest Mitigation Plan

The Okanogan County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan is a living document and is frequently updated by Okanogan County Emergency Management Services. Resolution #14-544 is the latest update.

Motion:

Council Member Lloyd made the motion to approve Resolution #14-544 – Okanogan County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan – Community Wildfire Protection Plan and Terrorism Civil Unrest Mitigation Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Day and passed. Council Member Fleming abstained.

Council Member Training Requirements (AWC/RMSA)

New state legislation requires elected officials, commissioners, and board members of government entities to attend New Elected Officials training. On October 29, 2014 the Association of Washington Cities/Risk Management Service Agency will offer the required training at a location to be named in Twisp. Council Member Filer has already completed the training as a new council member. Clerk Moriarty will keep the Council posted as the date gets closer.

Council Vacancy

As stated at the July 8th council meeting, Clerk Moriarty will advertise to fill the council vacancy starting September 3rd. Mayor Ing-Moody and Council will review applications the first of October.

Citizen Recognition

Council Member Fleming noted the invaluable service that Hank Konrad gave to the community during the recent disasters. He stated that Hank's Market was always up and running and well stocked with supplies during the power outage and fires. Mayor Ing-Moody noted that Mr. Konrad had agreed to make the store available as an incident center if needed during the disasters.

Action: A letter will be sent to Mr. Konrad thanking him for his support of Twisp during the recent disasters.

Consent Agenda

- Accounts Payable/Payroll
- Minutes – 08/01/14 Special

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 26th day of August, 2014.

Accounts Payable	Checks #30889-30913	\$16,000.61	08/26/14
US Rural Development	EFTs Trans # 1986-1988	\$1,345.00	08/28/14
Accounts Payable	Checks #30914-30918	\$315.00	08/31/14

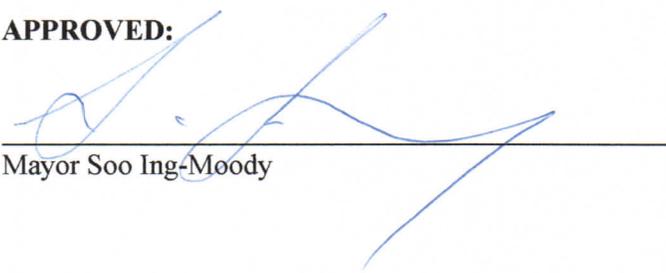
Motion:

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

Adjournment

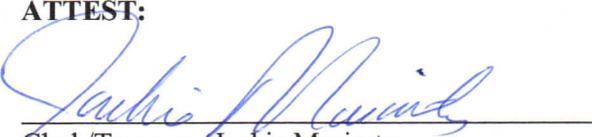
There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty