

**Town of Twisp**  
**Council Minutes – 07/11/17**

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Council Members present:     Aaron Studen  
  Alan Caswell  
  John Fleming  
  Hans Smith  
  Josh Thomson

Council Member absent:       None

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Council Member Caswell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Hearing – Six Year Transportation Plan 2018-2023 - Resolution #17-608 - Adoption of the Six Year Transportation Plan**

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the public hearing at 5:31 pm to discuss the Town of Twisp Six Year Transportation Plan. There was no public input.

Mayor Ing-Moody closed the public hearing at 5:32 pm.

Council Member Thomson asked the Council if they believed adequate community involvement had been done regarding the proposed round-about at the south intersection of Glover Street and SR20; he mentioned hearing negative comments about the placement of a round-about in Twisp. Mayor Ing-Moody stated that it has been discussed as a concept at several public meetings. The Council agreed that many opportunities have already been given and that no concrete decision has yet been made on when and how the intersection would be improved although an accepted recommendation has been approved by the council. Council Member Thomson requested that the language be changed in the Six Year Transportation Plan from “round-about” to “intersection improvement” until a decision for construction is made.

**Motion:**

Council Member Smith moved to adopt Resolution #17-608 approving the Six Year Transportation Plan as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed unanimously.

**Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda**

**Additions:** None

**Deletions:** None

### **Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes**

Jeff Palmberg, the Pastor for the Twisp Community Covenant Church was present to bring to the Town's attention the erosion taking place along the bank of the river behind the church that is owned by the Town.

Joe Marver, owner of the Twisp River Suites and the Twisp Pub addressed the Council regarding the conduct of the town's planner. Mr. Marver also announced that he has listed both the Twisp River Suites and the Twisp Pub properties for sale.

Mark Edson, resident on May Street, was present to discuss three items:

- He felt the need to place borrowed/rented traffic cones on the edge of the road to warn drivers that there was an abrupt edge on May Street.
- He stated he believed that a recent rain storm moved soil from the Barth Old School Short Plat site to his property. Mr. Edson is unhappy with the delay in Mr. Barth's asphaltting the road. He also inquired, if he was to build a retaining wall to divert any future washouts and it effected his neighbor's property, would he be liable?
- Along SR20, Mr. Edson owns a piece of property that has access off of SR20 and up the hill to his residence. In the fall of 2016 he placed a sign on the lower portion of his property stating it was not for pedestrian use. His sign had been removed by public works staff because they didn't believe that it was placed on Mr. Edson's property. Mr. Edson would like to repost his property and inquired as to whether the sign would be removed again.

Mayor Ing-Moody stated that someone would be in contact with Mr. Edson after staff researched his questions.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- State Capital Budget – The legislators are going back into session on 07/17/17 to discuss the Capital Budget in which an appropriation of \$750,000 for the Twisp Civic Building is being considered. She hopes to hear by next week if the town will receive this appropriation for construction.
- She announced the Public Works Shop ground breaking ceremony set for Friday, July 14, 2017 at 1:30 pm at the construction site on Ewell Street.
- She reported that the interviews for the Public Works Director position have been concluded and she plans to make a decision next week.

### **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.

Council Member Smith asked Chief Budrow if police calls have increased; Chief Budrow responded that calls have been steady.

Clerk Moriarty stated that the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financial report and revenue position report were on the table for Council's review.

### **Commission/Committee/Board Reports**

Council Member Fleming reported that he had spoken to other Methow Watershed Council (MWC) members that agreed the meetings should be held for business and that public interjections are counter-productive and should be heard only at the time allotted for public comment unless otherwise solicited from a Council Member to aid in discussion. Council Member Fleming stated that Methow Watershed Council Member Mike Fort is still asking him to determine an amount of water that the Town needs for the future.

Council Member Studen reported on the Okanogan County Transit Authority (OCTA) meeting held on July 10, 2017. Council Member Studen stated that the bus routes from the Omak/Okanogan area to the Methow Valley will continue to run through Brewster until a confirmed wait time on the Loup Pass is established. Bus stop shelters for riders to wait in have been ordered; Council Member Studen stated that a location for a Twisp shelter has been undetermined at this time; Mayor Ing-Moody stated that OCTA Director Kelly Scalf had planned to speak to her about the issue but she has not heard from her lately on a date.

Council Members Smith and Fleming reported on the Twisp Airport Advisory held on June 28, 2017 they both attended:

- Fred Wert was elected Chairman by the Board.
- The Board made a request for a copy of the airport budget.
- The Board discussed the roles of the Airport Manager and the Airport Advisory Board; they would like the Council's direction.
- Revenue sources were discussed.

Council Members Smith and Fleming both felt that there was good discussion at the meeting.

Mayor Ing-Moody discussed two resolutions presented to her by the Airport Advisory Board as being invalid. The content of the resolutions pertains to administrative tasks that are not in the Board's realm of authority. Mayor Ing-Moody will set a meeting with Chairman Wert to discuss the resolutions and the process for future Board requests.

### **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Action: Resolution #17-609 – Approval of Airport South Taxiway Plan**

Council Member Thomson questioned Section 9 – Operational Safety and Phasing Notes of the draft south taxiway design documents and suggested we have T-O Engineering rephrase the section regarding the runway safety area and the number of working days they are requiring. Interim Public Works Director Moss will contact T-O Engineers and have that section reworded.

#### **Motion:**

Council Member Fleming moved to adopt Resolution #17-609 approving the design and construction plans for the Twisp Airport South Taxiway as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and passed unanimously.

**Action: Resolution #17-610 – Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the Town of Twisp and the Town of Winthrop**

Mayor Ing-Moody discussed the draft Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Services from the Town of Winthrop for the time period of one month (July 12, 2017 through August 11, 2017). The agreement states Winthrop will pay \$25,000 per month and there is an option of extending the agreement up to 3 months with mutual agreement between the Town of Twisp Mayor and the Town of Winthrop Mayor.

**Motion:**

Council Member Fleming moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the Town of Twisp and the Town of Winthrop as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and passed unanimously.

**Action: Subdivision Ordinance – Sections 17.20, 17.25, 17.30, 17.35 and 17.40**

Council agreed to recommend the Planning Commission continue with the additional review of the Subdivision Ordinance.

Mayor Ing-Moody followed up on a discussion that was introduced by the Council at the annual retreat related to the Town Planner working with the Planning Commission to work on items the town deems as priorities. Council Member Smith stated that code inconsistencies need to be addressed as they are discovered, especially those related to variances. These matters should take precedence over general changes to the code. A continuing priority for the Council is code pertaining to the development and standards of roads, sidewalks, and drainage since more construction and development is taking place.

**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 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2017.

Francotyp-Postalia	EFT Trans #1725	\$500.00	06/12/17
Payroll	EFTs Trans # 1600-1618, 1620-1625, 1640-1645 Checks 14257-14271	\$60,502.88	06/30/17
Cashmere Valley Bank	EFT Trans #1682	\$608.36	07/01/17
US Rural Development	EFT Trans #1683	4395.00	07/02/17

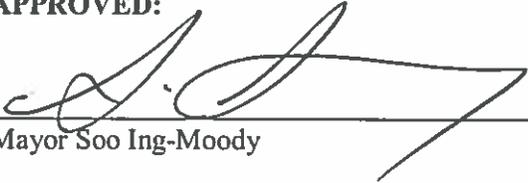
Accounts Payable	Checks 33247-33282	\$22,667.17	07/11/17
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Council Member Fleming moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smith and passed.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 6:46 pm.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

**ATTEST:**

  
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Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty