

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 04/23/2019

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Cordes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

N/A

Public Comment:

N/A

Interview: Methow Watershed Council Appointee:

Travis Thornton was interviewed by Council Members for a 2-year term on the Watershed Council.

Council Member Studen moved to approve Travis Thornton to Watershed Council for a 2-year term. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cordes and passed with Council Member Smith abstaining.

Presentation: Methow Arts Alliance – Creative Arts District:

Amanda Jackson-Mott gave a presentation on the Creative Arts Districts Program. Methow Arts has applied for the town to be recognized as a creative arts district. She stated that being a part of a creative arts district will help promote the town and its art organizations and programs with marketing tools that may include signage. She stated that certified districts usually have access to more funding. On June 11, Annette Roth will be at the Council Meeting with more information and to answer questions.

Presentation: Okanogan County Juvenile Detention Center:

Presenters from the Okanogan County Juvenile Detention Center were on hand to give an update on some programs and results from the previous year. They are working on a Parent Mentor program that would mentor to other parents who need the support as their child makes changes in life. They are currently working on the logistics for renovating the Detention Center and will be adding a Homeless Youth Coordinator soon. They currently do not have anyone from Twisp under supervision which is a positive thing for our community.

Presentation: Okanogan Sheriff's Office Dispatch – Emergency Communications:

Mike Worden with the Okanogan County Sheriff's Dispatch gave a presentation on the new radio communications infrastructure that is needed for County-wide Operations. He has been running Dispatch for 7 years and knows that the current infrastructure is failing in some places and needs to be repaired. He is asking for a letter of support from Council to the County Commissioners for a \$5 million communication improvement project which would be part of the .2% tax increase proposal.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that the Headwaters celebration this past Saturday was a success. Senator Maria Cantwell was in attendance and was honored for her support and to celebrate with everyone. The Mayor announced there will be a new Clerk/Treasurer starting on Monday April 30th.

Staff Reports:

Public Works Director Denham reported that he recently met with the Core of Army Engineers on the riverbank stabilization problem. They have a good understanding on what is happening and a plan for the future. May 6th will be a meeting with the program directors for a long-term plan on the riverbank erosion. The town has recently put up signs describing various town projects that will be happening or are currently happening to keep citizens informed of all the projects the town has been hard at work doing. The Sports Complex project will be moving forward with a bid opening soon and hope that construction will soon be underway. As per funding requirements, it needs to be built this year. Director Denham stated that there is a slight delay with the Gateway Art project but there is no concern of losing any funding at this time.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports:

Council Member Easton reported on the Twisp Chamber of Commerce meeting – stating that the members are energized with Jamie as their new marketing director. They feel there is a change to the membership and they are making positive changes. Council Member Studen reported that Trango set up a table at the Climate Change March to participate in the transportation element of the event. He stated that ridership is growing. Council Member Caswell reported on the Arbor Day Celebration stating that it was a great community event.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Action: Airport Ground Lease Amendment:

Council Member Smith recommends that the Twisp Airport Advisory Board sees the latest version with the comments from RMSA regarding insurance requirements prior to Council taking any action. This discussion will be moved to a future meeting.

Action: Canyon Street & Water Main Improvement Project – Engineer’s Recommendation of Award to Hurst Construction:

Council Member Studen moved to approve the Engineer’s Recommendation of Award to Hurst Construction for the Canyon Street & Water Main Improvement Project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Easton and passed unanimously.

Action: Arbor Day Proclamation:

Council Member Smith moved to approve April 22, 2019 as Arbor Day in Twisp, WA. The motion was seconded by Council Member Easton and passed unanimously.

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 23rd day of April 2019.

Accounts Payable	EFT# 938-939	1183.00	4/23/19
Accounts Payable	Warrants # 34702-34723	51284.84	4/23/19
Payroll	EFT# 858-861	25976.07	4/15/19

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 Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing – Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Randy Kilmer