

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 9/24/19

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

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

Council Members absent: Aaron Studen

Pledge of Allegiance:

Council Member Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

N/A

Public Comment:

Mark Edson asked about the trees on May Street that he believed had been cut down on the town's right of way. He stated that someone had cut trees and removed some of the wood but left the remainder as a mess. He asked if anyone was going to enforce and clean up the mess. Mayor Ing-Moody thanked him for his comment.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that the Council Retreat had been a success and she felt it was very effective. She thanked the Council and Staff for participating and taking the time to attend. She also reported that we are in the midst of budget season and otherwise it is business as usual. She informed the Council that she has been asked to speak at a Community Wildfire Preparedness Event put on by UW and Pemco Insurance.

Staff Reports:

Council Member Easton asked Director Denham for an update on the Canyon Street Project. Director Denham reported that they are still working on the swales. They need to dig down about a foot and be seeded to finish them. He stated that they will be doing a walk through with the owner of Hurst Construction on Thursday and hope to wrap things up. If the barricades have not been taken down yet, they will be doing that as well. The stop signs will be going in this week at the intersections of 5th and Canyon and 5th and Methow.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports:

Council Member Cordes reported on the Methow Valley Trails Collaborative meeting that she attended. She stated that they are making great progress on the Winthrop to Twisp Trail and most of that is meeting with landowners that seem to be in favor of the trail. On Wednesday November 13th, they are holding a Trails Summit and will be discussing many topics including trail inventory, capacity to maintain the trails, what makes a sustainable trail, how to maintain the current trails, and impacts that rogue trails have. The focus at the summit is education on sustainable trails. They also discussed applying to become a nonprofit and have not reached a consensus yet.

Council Member Smith reported that he attended a PW Committee meeting earlier in the day. They discussed the General Sewer Upgrade plan and talked about applying for grant funding from the Department of Ecology. The President of Varela and Associates was part of the discussion and helped develop a good strategy and proposal for the Ecology grant.

Council Member Smith also attended the Civic Building Committee meeting today. Engineering designs were reviewed with the architects over the phone. According to the cost estimates, the project is fully funded. The next step will be to have plans brought before the entire Council in a public meeting.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Presentation: Apollo – Energy Savings Proposals

Kirsten Wilson from the Department of Enterprise Services along with Scott Lewis and Brent Tracy from Apollo Solutions Group gave a presentation on Energy Savings. First, they discussed the Solar Array Project. There are three places to possibly install solar power. The first is at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, the second is for the well pump at Well #2 on Lincoln St. and the third is for the well pump at Well #3 on Marble St. Next they discussed the Well #2 Pump Motor and VFD Install. It would replace the 50 HP Motor and install the new VFD and well pressure controls. Finally, they discussed the water meter replacement project and the costs associated.

Discussion/Action: Creative Arts District – Letter of Intent, Application:

Mayor Ing-Moody stated that action is required to approve a letter of intent be sent to the Washington Arts Council to formally apply to become a Creative Arts District. If the letter is approved then the application process will formally begin.

Council Member Smith moved to approve the Mayor's signature on the letter of intent to apply to become a Creative Arts District. The motion was seconded by Council Member Easton and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Land Application Agreement Biosolids:

Council Member Smith moved to approve the Land Application Agreement Biosolids as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cordes and passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action: Biosolids Transportation and Handling Agreement:

Council Member Smith moved to approve the Biosolids Transportation and Handling Agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Caswell and passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

- Accounts Payable/Payroll
- Minutes – 9/10/19

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 24th day of September 2019.

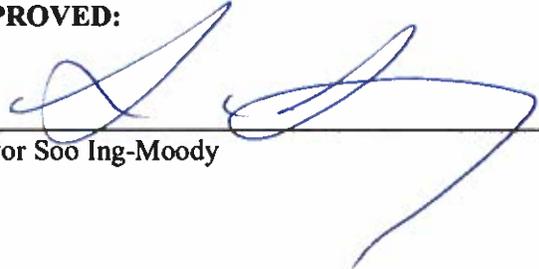
Accounts Payable	EFT# 2228	683.00	9/24/2019
Accounts Payable	Warrants # 35038-35058	22762.31	9/24/2019
Payroll	EFT# 2192-2197	6960.00	9/15/2019

Council Member Cordes moved to approve the consent agenda as presented with the requested edits to the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Council Member Caswell and passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 6:34 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Randy Kilmer