

Town of Twisp
Council Minutes – 05/12/15
7:00 PM

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Council Members present: Bob Lloyd
 John Fleming
 Traci Day
 Aaron Studen

Council Member absent: Dwight Filer

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Fleming led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Fleming shared a few thoughts regarding his Town Council position. Council Member Fleming explained that he had initially been undecided about re-running for his position until he took a walk around Twisp and thought of how much he likes and cares about the Town and the ways in which he has seen the Town improve during his term. He ended by stating as a result, he has decided to re-run.

Public Hearing – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Grant – Police Vehicle

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the public hearing to discuss the submission of a grant/loan application to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for the purchase of a new police department patrol vehicle at 7:07 pm.

There was no public present.

Mayor Ing-Moody closed the public hearing at 7:10 pm.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming moved to approve the submission of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) grant application and authorized the Mayor to sign. The motion was seconded by Council Member Day and passed unanimously.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: None

Deletions: None

Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes

There was not public present.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She thanked Mayor Pro-Tem Lloyd for filling in while she was on vacation.
- She reported she has been appointed to participate in AWC's newly formed Operation Strong Cities Advisory Committee. The objective of the committee is to assist AWC with recognizing priority items to bring forth to the state in ensuring that cities remain vital and strong in the future. The committee will have its first meeting the end of May and will then meet a couple of times a year during other AWC functions. AWC will be covering all travel and accommodation costs associated with this position.

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 Day complimented Public Works Director Denham and his crew on the striping job done at the park and on Glover Street.

Council Member Fleming asked Director Denham how much time he was spending on the Methow Valley Irrigation District project; Director Denham stated that the project is going well and that the time spent was fair thanks to the cooperation between Lloyd Logging, Trout Unlimited and the Town.

Council Member Fleming asked how work on the swimming pool was going. Director Denham stated that mechanically the pool is in good shape, however, so far we do not have a pool manager and we only have two returning lifeguards. Director Denham mentioned that some leaks have been detected and fixed and the Friends of the Pool committee are purchasing a new water heater for the showers.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

There were no reports submitted.

Mayor Pro-Tem Lloyd announced to Council that Twisp is hosting an AWC Small Cities Connector meeting to be held at the Senior Center on Wednesday, May 20th from 6 – 8 pm; he encouraged everyone to attend. He will be attending as mayor pro-tem. Mayor will be in Olympia to present for a Community Economic Revitalization Grant that day.

Clerk Moriarty reported on the Okanogan Council of Governments (OCOG) meeting held on Monday, May 11th. Clerk Moriarty shared that the group approved an Interlocal Agreement that will go to each member agency for review and approval through their respective Council; the group approved the Unified Planning Work Program for State Fiscal Year 2016; and they discussed various policy and procedural documents that will need to be drafted and approved prior to June 30, 2016 when the group will no longer have Okanogan County as the financial lead.

Clerk Moriarty attended an Emergency Management meeting on Monday, May 11th that was set to initiate a meeting of city/town and county officials for planning. Unfortunately there was not a quorum so there was no business conducted. The by-laws that were passed in 1998 will be reviewed and suggestions made for updating and brought to the next meeting.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Action: Resolution #15-556 – Older Americans Month Proclamation

Mayor Ing-Moody discussed Resolution #15-556 proclaiming May as “Older Americans Month”. This year’s theme is “Get into the Act”.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming moved to approve Resolution #15-556 as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lloyd and passed unanimously.

Discussion: Fire District #6 Fire Protection Service

Mayor Ing-Moody reported that Fire District #6 had been contacted by staff and asked to provide dates they would be available to meet with the Town regarding the current contract. Fire Chief Waller suggested meeting on May 12th at their rescheduled Commissioners meeting, unfortunately that was the same date as the Town Council meeting. Mayor Ing-Moody suggested a workshop be set up consisting of our two public safety committee members and Commissioner(s) of their choice. Staff will work on setting a meeting.

Mayor Ing-Moody conveyed that Council Member Filer had expressed his interest to participate in the discussions and asked Council if they wished to wait for his return before initiating discussions with District 6. The Council unanimously decided to proceed in the meantime, with Council Member Filer participation upon his return.

Mayor Ing-Moody asked for a volunteer to take Council Member Filer’s place on the Public Safety committee in his absence; Council Member Lloyd volunteered to be the alternate.

Action: Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) Grant

Mayor Ing-Moody explained to Council that when she had previously brought the CERB grant proposal to them for approval, she understood that the Town could use in-kind match towards the project; she was recently informed that the in-kind match that would have been provided by TwispWorks was ineligible and instead needed to be a cash match. Mayor Ing-Moody stated that approximately \$16,000 would be the Town’s match requirement for a grant (of \$50,000) from CERB. The Mayor explained that the General Fund ended with a larger balance in 2014 than anticipated due mostly to a fluctuation in sales tax. She asked Council if they would approve approximately \$16,000 be spent as match to develop a plan to assist with business revitalization efforts for historic downtown area.

Motion:

Council Member Day moved to approve the expenditure of approximately \$16,000 as cash match if the Town receives the Community Economic Revitalization Board grant to develop a plan to support businesses. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed unanimously.

Action: Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Project – Engineering Award

Public Works Director Denham explained he and Council Member Fleming had conducted phone interviews as part of the process in choosing Shea Carr Jewell, Inc. (SCJ) Engineering as the potential engineer for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) project. Director Denham also checked references; he was satisfied with the reports given by other cities that had worked with SCJ. Director Denham stated that the agreement with SCJ was currently being reviewed by the Washington State Department of Transportation.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming moved to approve the agreement with Shea Carr Jewell, Inc. (SCJ) Engineering contingent on the approval of the Washington State Department of Transportation and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed. Council Member Lloyd abstained.

Consent Agenda

- Accounts Payable/Payroll
- Minutes – 04/14/15

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 12th day of May, 2015.

US Rural Development	EFTs Trans # 954-955	\$1000.00	04/28/15
Accounts Payable	#31414-31435	\$24,483.65	04/28/15
Payroll	EFT's Trans # 998-1000 1003, 1006, 1008-09, 1012-13, 1038-1042 14018-10425	\$48,427.60	04/30/15
Accounts Payable	#31436-31440	\$315.00	04/30/15
Cashmere Valley Bank	EFTs Trans # 1086-1088	\$2,341.51	05/01/15
Accounts Payable	# 31441-31483	\$46,311.58	05/12/15

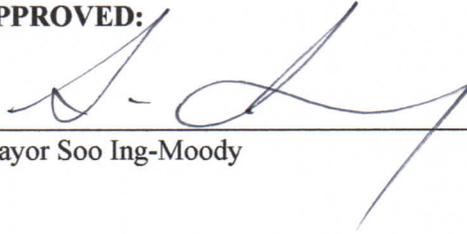
Motion:

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

Adjournment

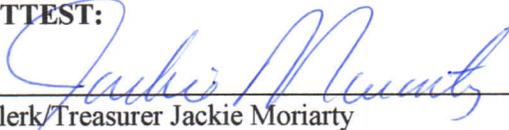
There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty