

Town of Twisp
Council Minutes – 07/24/12
7:00 PM

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Council Members present: Bob Lloyd
 Traci Day
 Clay Hill
 John Fleming
 Clint Estes

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Lloyd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing – Resolution #12-503-Six Year Transportation Plan

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the Six Year Transportation Plan public hearing at 7:04 pm. There was no public to make comment. Mayor Ing-Moody closed the hearing at 7:05 pm.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: Action: Regarding Regional Transportation Authority Board Plan

Deletions:

Public Comment Period

Greg Studen, 135 Johnson Street, commented on the lack of storm water drainage on Johnson Street and West Twisp Avenue in the vicinity of his home, the Twisp River Suites, and the Twisp River Pub. He stated the recent heavy rain storm was an example of how much water can be left standing after a downpour. He also commented on how the lack of drainage causes issues in the winter. He asked for short and/or long term solutions to the storm water drainage problem.

Mayor Ing-Moody assured him that this issue will receive further attention and discussion.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes –06/12/12, 06/25/12, 06/26/12, 07/11/12
- 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 24th day of July, 2012.

Check	#29251	\$50.00	07/03/12
Payroll	#13250-13253	\$3 ,490.00	07/15/12
Checks	#29290-29325	\$48,185.12	07/24/12

US Rural Development	EFTs # 1622-1624	\$1,354.00	07/28/12
Checks	#29326-29330	\$315.00	07/31/12
Checks	#29331-29332	\$157.88	07/24/12

Motions:

Council Member Day moved to approve the minutes from June 25, June 26 and July 11, 2012 as presented and the minutes of June 12, 2012 as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Estes and passed.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She is talking with the Washington Chapter of American Planning Association to facilitate workshops on economic vitality for the Town. They will work pro bono and are planning experts in various fields including urban design, economic development and engineering. A strategic plan will be crafted as a tangible product to help Twisp remain vital.
- She is discussing a joint grant application to the Community Economic Revitalization Board with Twispworks. The focus of the grant would be economic enhancement including improvements to parks and recreation.
- Alison Gillette, an Ameri-Corp Vista volunteer, will be conducting a survey aimed at Twisp businesses. The data will be utilized to set goals aimed at economic revitalization of Twisp.
- In preparation for budget season, Clerk Moriarty will be attending a budget training session in August and she will be attending an Employee Benefit Program Expo.
- She reminded the Council and Department Heads that the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) has vital training pertinent to them on-line and to save the date of October 17th as there will be an AWC Regional Conference in Omak.
- She has met with District #6 Chief Waller and will continue to do so monthly. Chief Waller will provide monthly run sheets of department activity in Twisp.
- Ken Doran and Fire Secretary Vicki Hallowell are inventorying fire gear and equipment.
- Council Member Lloyd asked if Council would be seeing a monthly run sheet on Twisp only from Okanogan Fire District 6 or all activities. He requested that Council receive a monthly report of all Twisp and County activity.
- Dave Sandoz has completed the training program with Larry Surface. Mr. Surface is handling inspections this week while Mr. Sandoz is on vacation.

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.

Superintended Moss:

- The town hall roof replacement project has been completed and approved by him. The Town has a ten year warranty on the roof.
- He had a good discussion with Mr. Studen about the developing area around Twisp River Suites and the Twisp River Pub and the stormwater drainage issue.
- Property at 125 W. 2nd Avenue, had the water service freeze two times this last winter. He and other staff members strongly encouraged the businesses on that meter to keep the water flowing to avoid further freezing. As a result, the account had a large overage. He asked the Council to

give the customer credit for a portion of the bill as the customer should not be responsible for an error in meter placement.

Motion:

Council Member Lloyd moved to accept Superintendent Moss' recommendation to forgive \$265.74 of overage charges on Acct. 2628. The motion was seconded by Council Member Estes and passed unanimously.

Police Chief Budrow:

- The lines of communication are open with the Winthrop Marshall's Office and there is good response from both sides.
- He wanted the Council to know there is now a camera in the council chambers feeding to the police department.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

There were no reports submitted.

Council Member Hill attended the Transportation Authority Board meeting as the Town's representative. The Board has reconvened after a number of years and wants a Transportation Plan measure placed in the November ballot, requiring it to be submitted to the Okanogan County Auditor's office in August. Council Member Hill explained the three options that were discussed at the Board meeting. Option 1 would be a .03% sales tax increase which would continue the status quo for the Senior Nutrition program. Option 2 would be a .04% sales tax increase which would slightly enhance the program's equipment and provide more trips to the transportation hub of Omak. Option 3 would be a .05% sales tax increase which would include more bus routes to additional areas with a possible connection to the Link bus service in Chelan and Wenatchee.

Council Member Hill was not able to ask all the questions he wanted to ask at the meeting and was therefore unable to answer all of Council's questions of these options. Since the Board requires a vote from the representatives at the next meeting in order to meet time restraints, he was given permission by the Council to act as the Town's representative with the Board.

A consensus of the Council was that the Board's desire to be on the November ballot may be premature since many questions remain unanswered, including the objectives and philosophy of the program.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #12-503-Six Year Transportation Plan

A public hearing was held at this Council meeting for Resolution #12-503 the Six Year Transportation Plan. The Plan as presented at the June 26, 2012 Council meeting (including a change to Twisp Avenue – Reconstruct – Magers to SR20 to include sidewalks) received no public comment.

Motion:

Council Member Lloyd moved to approve Resolution #12-503 the Six Year Transportation Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hill and passed unanimously.

Airport Potable Water Project – Update

Mayor Ing-Moody, Council Member Fleming and former Council Member Smith met and discussed the Airport Potable Water agreement and realized that there were still more questions to be asked and answered before the draft agreement could be completed by the attorney for review by the Twisp Airport Improvement Club. She has tentatively scheduled a meeting with the Club for August 9th to further discuss these matters before proceeding.

Ordinance #647 Regarding Enforcement and Burn Ban

The Town’s Burn Ordinance is proposed to change to mirror Okanogan County’s burn ban timeframes. District #6 Chief Waller is supportive of these proposed changes. A suggestion was made to change the text from corporate limits to “within limits of the Town of Twisp”. A final draft of Ordinance #647 will be submitted to the Council at the next meeting.

Dog Licensing Issues

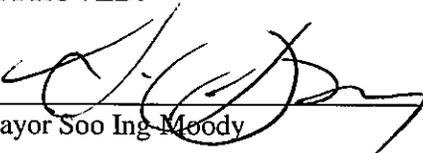
Twisp Municipal Code Title 6.10. 028 pertaining to Failure to License Dogs will be changed to allow the Twisp Police Department the ability to cite dog owners who do not license his or her dog after a warning citation. The warning will allow citizens the opportunity to purchase a license without penalty.

The dog licensing changes will be resubmitted to Council at the next meeting in ordinance format.

Adjournment

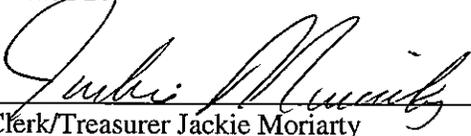
There being no further business to come before the Council; Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty