

Town of Twisp
Council Minutes – 10/22/13
7:00 PM

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

Council Members present: Bob Lloyd
 Traci Day
 John Fleming

Council Member absent: Clint Estes

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Lloyd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: Ordinance #671, Leasehold Excise Tax

Deletions: None

Public Hearing – Twisp Municipal Code Chapter 18-Zoning, Ordinance #669, Overnight Rentals

Mayor Ing-Moody opened the public hearing to take comments on Ordinance #669, Overnight Rentals at 7:05 pm. There was no public at the hearing. Mayor-Ing Moody closed the hearing at 7:05 pm.

The Council discussed that Ordinance #669 will allow accessory dwellings to be included as a structure for overnight rentals or accommodations and that overnight rentals and overnight accommodations will be allowed in commercial zones through an Administrative Permit process. It was discussed that overnight rentals have been allowed in residential zones for years and that overnight rentals already in place are grandfathered and will not be affected by these changes.

The Council discussed the conditions specific to Administrative Permits for Overnight Rentals and Overnight Accommodations: Town Business License, Transient Accommodation Permit, Okanogan County Health District Permits, as appropriate for food services, and parking requirements as conditions that will guide citizens through the steps to have a permitted business.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming made the motion to approve Ordinance #669, amending portions of Title 18 of the Twisp Municipal Code, pertaining to Overnight Rental, Overnight Accommodations, and Bed and Breakfasts. The motion was seconded by Council Member Day, and passed unanimously.

Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes

There was no public comment.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She has met with the Finance Committee. Work is being done to balance the 2014 Budget.

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 Department Heads.

Methow Valley Irrigation District Test Well

Council Member Day asked if the Town had received the information requested by Council at the previous meeting, pertaining to the test well drilled on Dave Schulz's property. Project Manager Greg Knott had stated that the Methow Valley Irrigation District (MVID) would provide such information to the Town. It was reported that Mayor Ing-Moody had received only email up-dates on upcoming events.

Action: Clerk Moriarty will ask Mr. Knott for the information that he stated at the September council meeting he would provide to the Town.

Superintendent Moss

Council Member Fleming noted how good the newly paved streets between Hwy 20 and Glover Street look and how quickly the project was completed. It was discussed how complicated and time consuming the job was for Superintendent Moss and what a great job he did working with all the various contractors and citizens.

Chief Budrow

When asked by Council what spike strips are, Chief Budrow explained that the spike strips loaned to the Town by Okanogan County Sheriff's Office would be used to stop or slow down a vehicle during a chase, as needed.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

There were no reports submitted.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

5th Avenue Parking Change Request

Tania Gonzalez and Carl Rapp, who operate Rainbow Bridge Pre-School and Daycare at 214 5th Avenue, have made a request to the Town to designate a no parking zone in front of their business. They stated in a letter that a no parking zone would make it safer to load and unload children at the daycare.

Council members were going to view the site for a better understanding of the issue. The question was asked if loading and unloading from the South Lincoln Street side of the property would be a better idea. The Council tabled the item until the next Council meeting, pending more information.

Ordinance #672 – Repealing Chapter 15.20 regarding Fire Limits and Fire Zones

Building Inspector Sandoz noted that Chapter 15.10 of the Twisp Municipal Code (TMC) regarding Fire Limits and Fire Zones is an outdated TMC section as Fire Limits and Fire Zones are already established under the International Building Code and Fire Code, both of which have been adopted by the Town of Twisp.

Motion:

Council Member Day moved to repeal Chapter 15.20 of the Twisp Municipal Code regarding Fire Limits and Fire Zones. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming, and passed unanimously.

Resolution #13-523-Adopting an Interlocal Agreement with AWC related to a Joint Self-Insured Health and Welfare Benefit Program

The Town of Twisp has received health care insurance from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) for many years. AWC has become a self-insured health and welfare benefit organization. The Town, in order to continue to be part of the AWC Health Care Program, is required to adopt an Interlocal Agreement of the joint self-insured health and welfare benefit program.

It was noted that there will be no cost increases to the health care insurance provided by AWC for 2014.

Motion:

Council Member Lloyd made the motion to adopt the Interlocal Agreement between the Town and the Association of Washington Cities Employee Benefit Trust creating a joint self-insured health and welfare benefit program. The motion was seconded by Council Member Day, and passed unanimously.

Ordinance # 671 – Imposing a Leasehold Excise Tax

Ordinance #671 would authorize the Town to contract with the Department of Revenue (DOR) for administration and collection of a Leasehold Excise Tax. The Twisp Public Development Authority (PDA) pays a leasehold tax to the DOR, a portion of which reverts back to Okanogan County. With Ordinance #671 in place, the Town of Twisp would receive 4% of the taxable rent as defined in RCW 82.29A. 120 for tax generated in Twisp.

Motion:

Council Member Lloyd made the motion to approve Ordinance #671, which imposes a Leasehold Excise tax contract with the Department of Revenue for the administration and collection of the tax. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming, and passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- Accounts Payable/Payroll
- Minutes – September 24 and October 8, 2013

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 22nd day of October, 2013.

Payroll	#13603-13606	\$3,500.00	10/15/13
Checks	#30276-30297	\$19,178.91	10/22/13
US Rural Development	EFTs Trans # 2365-2367	\$1,354.00	10/28/13
Checks	#30298-30303	\$378.00	10/31/13

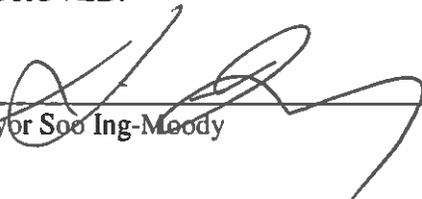
Motion:

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

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty