

Town of Twisp
Council Minutes – 03/13/12
7:00 PM

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

Council Member present: Bob Lloyd
 Clint Estes
 Traci Day

Council Members absent: John Fleming
 Hans Smith

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Lloyd led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: None

Deletions: None

Public Comment Period

Amy Stork, Director of Twisp Public Development Authority (PDA), gave their monthly report to Council. She reported:

- The Town received the PDA's annual financial report.
- She met with Council Member Day and Superintendent Moss concerning partnerships with the Town.
- The PDA received a \$5,000 grant from the Icicle Foundation. The funds will be used to honor the history of the TwispWorks property which was originally an United States Forest Service complex.
- Three Vista volunteers will be working in association with the PDA.
- A number of the complex's buildings will be painted this year.
- The PDA is halfway to their goal to raise \$255,000 to fund a solar project that will be built under a state renewable energy incentive program.
- New maple trees to replace the present maples along the south end of the complex will be planted this summer in anticipation of the older maples being removed at some point.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes –02/28/12
- 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 13th day of March, 2012.

Cashmere Valley Bank	EFTs Trans # 456 & 457	\$1,863.35	03/01/12
WA St. Dept. of Health	Ck # 29004	\$87.00	03/07/12
Alexander Motors	Ck # 29005	Void	03/07/12
Alexander Motors	Ck # 29006	\$23,000.00	03/08/12
Checks	29007-29036	\$20,883.87	03/13/12
WA St. Dept. of Licensing	Ck # 29037	\$1,912.25	03/13/12

Motion:

Council Member Estes moved to approve the consent agenda and minutes from February 28, 2012 as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lloyd and passed.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She attended the Office of Columbia River’s Policy Advisory meeting and feels her time was well spent updating the attendees on Twisp issues.
- She attended a Mayor’s meeting with mayors from local cities.
- She held an inter-departmental meeting with all department heads.
- She met with Don Waller, District #6 Fire Chief, and discussed costs associated with our fire station on W. 2nd Ave.
- She will be discussing potential annexation of the Town of Twisp’s Fire and Rescue Department into Fire District #6 with the District #6 Fire Commissioners.

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.

Superintendent Moss reported:

- The Wastewater Treatment Plant is still having issues with the clarifier and biological activities produced from the clarifier.
- The new public works truck is here and he feels it will be a great addition to the fleet.
- The fire hydrant located near the fire station on W. 2nd Avenue is in good working order.
- Removal of sand and gravel from downtown streets will start soon.

Commission/Board Reports

There were no Commission reports submitted.

Committee Reports

There were no Commission reports submitted.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Discussion: Town Hall Building

Mayor Ing-Moody, Superintendent Moss and Building Inspector Sandoz updated the Council on their findings pertaining to Town Hall's structural inadequacies. Superintendent Moss reported that the building doesn't meet the minimum requirements needed to withstand an earthquake in Category D (our location) in a seismic evaluation. It was also discussed that the building doesn't meet hazardous materials codes and doesn't have a firewall to protect the administrative area from the shop areas prescribed by code. A question was posed as to whether the public works shop should be located in Town Hall, or if the space would be better suited as office space like the rest of the building.

The most deficient perimeter walls are the shop walls. To safely use the shop area, the interior walls would need to be constructed to bolster the structure and eliminate the issue of sheer caused by the deficiency. It was discussed that considerable cost may be necessary if the shop was to remain a shop and meet standards as prescribed by code. Demolition of the shop portion of the building was also discussed.

The deficiencies in the perimeter walls of the administrative portion of the building were discussed and Superintendent Moss has a course of action he would take to strengthen the perimeter walls when the cap is removed from the building during the roof replacement project. He would insert rebar and concrete into the walls to alleviate the possibility of the walls bending.

Superintendent Moss presented the Council with a conceptual drawing of a proposed shop building he believes would encompass the needs of the public works department into the future. The drawing included a heated bay for snow removal equipment. The shop space at Town Hall would then not be needed by public works.

The Mayor and Council discussed possible funding options for improvements to Town Hall. It was expressed that the cost of any Town Hall project may exceed desirable debt service obligations for the Town and may leave the Town financially at risk. They discussed general obligation bonds and the process and timelines needed to put a bond before the citizens of Twisp while allowing adequate time for community input and discussion.

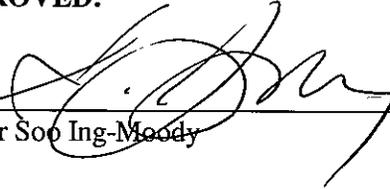
Mayor Ing-Moody will be meeting with the Town Hall Action Committee and is looking to Council for direction on Town Hall repair options and will supply cost estimates as they become available.

Action: Building Inspector Sandoz will ask Larry Zimmerlund for detailed engineering and associated costs for repair of the shop and administrative building walls of Town Hall.

Adjournment

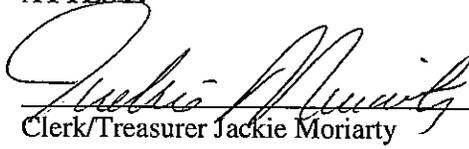
There being no further business to come before the Council; Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty