

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 4, 2019**

The Winnemucca City Council met in regular session on Tuesday June 4, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room. Present: Mayor Richard Stone; Council members Mike Owens, Theresa Mavity, Vince Mendiola, Jim Billingsley and Paige Brooks; and, City Manager/Engineer Alicia Heiser, City Attorney Kent Maher and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no public comment, personal communication or correspondence.

MINUTES:

The May 6, 2019 joint City Council-County Commission meeting minutes were reviewed and Council member Brooks moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

The May 21, 2019 regular City Council meeting minutes were reviewed and Council member Mendiola moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

WARRANTS-EXPENSES:

The payments for warrants and expense reports were reviewed and Council member Mavity moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATIONS-AWARDS-PRESENTATIONS:

There were no proclamations, awards or presentations.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION

After review and consideration of the effect each item could potentially have on a "business," as the term is defined by statute, the Council agreed and Council member Owens moved to make a finding that no item on the agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or appears to directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business. Motion carried unanimously.

VARIANCE REQUEST / VW-19-02 / REDUCE SIDE YARD SETBACK / BERNARDI

Betty Lawrence, Planning Department, presented a variance application submitted by Luca Bernardi to decrease the required rear and south side yard setbacks from 5' to 2' to allow replacement of the existing garage at 502 Garrison Street. No comments or objections were received by the planning department. Council member Brooks moved to approve, based on staff findings and recommendations, the variance request to reduce the required rear and south side yard setbacks from 5' to 2' at 502 Garrison Street. Motion carried unanimously.

PRIVATE ACTIVITY VOLUME BOND CAP TRANSFER REQUEST / NRHA

William Brewer, Deputy Director of Nevada Rural Housing Authority (NRHA), requested the City authorize transfer of the City tax exempt private activity bond cap to the NRHA to use to finance single family residences for low to moderate income families. Brewer commented that Winnemucca has contributed close to \$3M since the program's inception in 2006 which has assisted 183 local homebuyers. The bond cap transfer does not create any financial or other obligations for the City. Council member Owens moved to approve the request to transfer to the Nevada Rural Housing Authority the unused portion of the 2019 tax exempt private activity volume bond cap allocated to the City. Motion carried unanimously.

TEAM Q SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT REQUEST / NAEGLE

Branda Naegle, representative of Team Q, requested a change of date for the Team Q Softball Tournament from June 1, 2019 to June 22, 2019 and a waiver of the tournament fees. Council member Brooks moved to approve the change of the date and fee waiver for the Team Q Softball Tournament to be held June 22, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

STREET USE REQUEST / WINNEMUCCA BASQUE CLUB 5K RUN

Paige Brooks, representing the Winnemucca Basque Club, requested to use City streets for the 7th annual Basque 5K run on Friday June 7, 2019 beginning at 6:00 p.m. The run will begin and end at the Winnemucca Golf Course. Council member Mavity moved to approve the street use as requested for the 7th annual Basque 5K run on Friday June 7, 2019. Motion carried unanimously with Council member Brooks abstaining because she is a member of the Winnemucca Basque Club.

STREET CLOSURE REQUEST / WINNEMUCCA BASQUE CLUB PARADE

Paige Brooks, representing the Winnemucca Basque Club, requested the temporary closure of Winnemucca Blvd. from the Model T Motel parking lot to Hurst Street (adjacent to Verner Chiropractic office) for the annual Basque Festival parade on Saturday June 8, 2019 starting at 11:00 a.m. Council member Owens moved to approve the Winnemucca Basque Club request as presented. Motion carried unanimously with Council member Brooks abstaining because she is a member of the Winnemucca Basque Club.

STREET USE REQUEST / JOSHUA ROSE MEMORIAL WALK

Andree Rose, representing the Joshua Rose Memorial Walk, requested use of City streets for the walk route. Rose will provide the Police Department with maps of the route. The 5K event will begin at 5:30 p.m. June 28, 2019 and the route begins and ends at the Boys and Girls Club. Council member Mendiola moved to approve the request to use the City streets for the Joshua Rose Memorial Walk on June 28, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

GOLF COURSE USE-FEE WAIVER REQUEST / JOSHUA ROSE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Andree Rose requested use of the golf course and waiver of the tournament fees for the annual Joshua Rose Memorial Golf Tournament to be held Saturday June 29, 2019. All proceeds go towards the Joshua Rose Memorial Scholarship Fund. Rose commented that \$25,000 was awarded this year from the scholarship fund. Council member Brooks moved to approve the

request to use the golf course and waive the golf tournament fees for the annual Joshua Rose Memorial Golf Tournament on June 29, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

INTERSTATE 11 (I-11) WEBSITE FUNDING REQUEST

City Manager Heiser commented that County Manager Mendiola was contacted by John Tester, a University of Idaho graduate student, who is proposing to develop a website to provide information and promote the proposed route of I-11 through Winnemucca and north to Idaho on Highway 95. The website is estimated to cost between \$1,000 and \$1,200. The County Commission approved a \$300 contribution. Tester will also be asking Malheur County, Oregon, and Canyon County, Idaho to participate and contribute \$300 each. If approved, the City will have input on the website content and will be able to review the website before it goes live. Councilman Owens moved to approve the \$300 funding contribution for the development of the I-11 corridor website subject to Malheur County, Oregon and Canyon County, Idaho participating in the website funding. Motion carried unanimously.

BODE HOWARD MEMORIAL POOL

City Manager Heiser mentioned that there are no major updates to report. The POOL/PACT assessment is scheduled for June 18, 2019. Heiser reported that the swimming portion of the July 4, 2019 triathlon will be held at the pool.

STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS

City Manager Heiser reported: (i) the Railroad Springs project Plan of Development review by BLM requires a full contract package complete with specs and drawings which Heiser will submit tomorrow; (ii) the application for approval of a water project has been submitted to NDEP and Desert Mountain Surveying is working to obtain the appropriate permit from NDWR; (iii) the sellers of the Airport property are not interested in forming a trust to hold the sale proceeds until they can sort out the ownership issues, and it is possible the sale will not be completed; (iv) the Airport heavy aircraft apron expansion and reconstruction project bids will be opened June 14, 2019; (v) the City did not receive any of the FAA discretionary funding; (vi) the playground project is complete with the exception of some swings that need to be installed at Pioneer Park; and, (vii) the Alley sewer upgrade and the Second Street storm drain projects are delayed due to flooding and will not be complete by July 1, 2019.

Council member Owens commented that the local Extension Service office is working on Mormon cricket abatement.

Council member Mavity reported on plans for an Arbor Day event which will include planting trees at the urban fishing pond.

Council member Mendiola reported on the NNRDA and HDA meetings. HDA is awarding \$250 to the Warrior Films (Winnemucca Futures Event) to be used towards upgrading their speaker system. Spring Higley submitted her resignation and will be leaving her position as pool manager to take an aquatics director position in Indiana.

Council member Billingsley reported the WCVA is moving forward with the feasibility study for the convention center to determine if it is practical to keep the East Hall building or to tear it down.

Council member Brooks reported on the FCC talent show and dinner. Brooks attended the Main Street meeting.

Police Chief Dalley reported that Davey Villalobos was sworn in on Monday and will be attending P.O.S.T. in August.

Mayor Stone commented that he will be meeting with a college student from Washington D.C. who is traveling cross country on the Amtrak Railroad and making a video. Stone reported on the meeting he, City Attorney Maher and City Manager Heiser had with Indian colony representatives and consultants regarding their plans for a marijuana dispensary at the Winnemucca Colony.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk

PASSED AND ADOPTED: June 18, 2019

VOTE OF COUNCIL:

AYES: Owens, Mavity, Mendiola, Billingsley
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: Brooks

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Richard Stone
Mayor

Lorrie Haaglund
City Clerk