

Waitsburg City Council Meeting – February 16, 2022

Mayor Dunn called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe called the roll. The following were present:

Mayor: Marty Dunn

Council Members: Kevin House, Jim Romine, Jillian Henze and Randy Charles

Others: on file at City Hall

Agenda Approval

Park and Recreation Representatives asked to be rescheduled. With no other changes, agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – January 19, 2022 Regular Meeting

With no corrections, minutes were approved and passed unanimously

Public Comment

Tom Bennett asked about nuisance abatement process related to animal control issues.

New Business

a. City Hall Surplus

City Staff presented the two proposals received for the former City Hall building. City Council discussed both proposals, asked questions of Mr. Hallowell who was in attendance. With no more discussion, Council member Charles moved to accept Mr. Hallowell's proposal with the addition of the claw back provision and inclusion of the RFP in the sale document. Council member Romine seconded. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

b. Vacant Lot Surplus

City Staff presented the lone proposal received for the vacant lot on Main Street. City Council discussed the proposal, asked questions of Mr. Bennett who was in attendance. With no more discussion, Council member Romine moved to accept Mr. Bennet's proposal. Council member Charles seconded. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

c. Backup generator project

City Staff presented updated cost estimates associated with backup generator project for the City's well field that had been delayed by COVID, cost escalation and supply chain issues. City Staff explained the status of the project and whether the City Council wanted to continue with the project as the City's cost share has increased along with the project costs with no assurances the City would be granted additional grant dollars by the State. With no other further discussion, Council member Romine moved to update the project award and grant the project to Walla Walla Electric with Council member Charles seconding. Council asked City Staff to continue to pursue additional grant monies form the state to less the City's potential cost share Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

d. Resolution 746

Resolution awarding the E 2nd Street Culvert to Don Jackson Excavation. After a short discussion regarding the background on the project and time frame completion, Council member Henze moved to approve with Council member Romine seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

e. Resolution 747

