

Waitsburg City Council Meeting – February 21, 2024

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: Jillian Henze, Jim Romine, Kevin House and Jennifer Bishop.

Others: on file at City Hall

Agenda Approval

With no changes to the agenda, agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting

With no corrections, minutes were approved and passed unanimously.

Public Comment

New Business

a. Governor Smart Award Presentation

Representatives from the Washington State Department of Commerce were in attendance to present the City with a Governor's Smart Award for its ARPA sewerline improvement project.

b. Council member resignation

Council member Charles submitted his resignation. City staff provided the process for filling the position. With no more questions, Council member Romine moved to accept the resignation and request City Staff to put out notice for the vacancy. Council member House seconded and motion to accept was approved and passed unanimously.

c. Fire Hydrant System

Discussion related to the ongoing improvements to the City's fire hydrant system and the possible way to funding future improvements. City Staff presented options to the City Council and took questions regarding funding mechanisms. Discussion only, no action taken.

d. City owned property

City staff was recently informed that the City still had ownership of a parcel of land at the end of E 6th St. City has no use for the ground or plans to use it in the near future and recommended the City Council initiate the surplus property process. With no other further discussion, Council member Henze moved to surplus the land with Council member Romine seconding. Motion to approve the request was approved and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Mayor's Report

Mayor Dunn thanked Randy Charles for his service to the City.

Council Reports

Council Member Henze reported on various Committee activities and ongoing events at the library.

Council Member Romine commented on the watershed logging incident and U-turn concerns on Main St.

City Clerk Report

City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe reported on a variety of day-to-day operational items.

Approval of Bills

With no questions related to the City’s obligations, Council Member Romine moved to approve with Council Henze seconding. Motion to approve the bills was approved and passed unanimously.

January Payroll Clearing (Warrants 27578 - 27588)	\$24,389.54
-Includes direct deposit run on 1/29/2024 for \$10,733.04	
February Payroll Clearing (Warrants 27590 - 27600)	\$23,606.18
-Includes direct deposit run on 2/13/2024 for \$10,784.99	
February Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 27601 – 27633)	<u>\$106,458.74</u>
Total \$	

Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Approved:

3/27/2024

Attest:

Mayor

City Clerk