Waitsburg City Council Meeting – March 18, 2020

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, Terry Jacoy, KC Kuykendall and Kate Hockersmith **Others:** On file at City Hall

Agenda Approval

At the request of the City Staff, item a under new business was added to the agenda. With no other changes, agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – February 19, 2020 Regular Meeting

With no corrections, minutes were approved and passed unanimously

Public Comment

Planning Commission Chairman Karen Gregutt updated the City Council about the Planning Commission activities

New Business

a. Coronavirus Outbreak/Resolution 2020-701

Liz Jesse with Walla Walla County Emergency Management was in attendance to brief the City Council on the Coronavirus outbreak and Walla Walla County's efforts associated with it. After discussion the outbreak and need for an emergency declaration, Council Member Kuykendall moved to approve the declaration with Council member Hockersmith seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

b. Ordinance 2020-1063

Ordinance amending the 2020 budget to account for expected flood recovery related funding. With no further discussion, Council member Kuykendall moved to approve with Council member Romine seconding. Motion to approve was approved unanimously.

c. Resolution 2020-700

Resolution authorizing the City Administrator to submit a grant application to the Washington State Historical Society for improvements to City Hall. Council discussed the project and the potential costs and as well as timing going forward. With no more discussion, Council member Hockersmith moved to approve with Council member Romine seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

a. Flood Recovery Items.

Follow up discussion from the prior month's council meeting related to flood recovery costs and offsetting revenues. Staff presented a summary of the City efforts as well as lingering issues going forward the City will have to address. Discussion only, no action taken.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Dunn informed the Council that City Hall staffing will be adjusted slightly to allow for staggered work weeks. He also expressed his appreciation to Council members Hockersmith and Kuykendall for their years of service on the City Council.

Council Reports

Council Member Hockersmith commented on continued committee work as well as informed the Council and attending public that she had decided that she was pulling out of the race for Mayor, feeling that a change in leadership was unwise during the current state of events affecting the City. She encouraged everyone to vote for Marty for Mayor.

Council Member Romine commented about the Milton-Freewater Pool and their contracting efforts associated with their community pool.

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 House moved to approve with Council Hockersmith seconding. Motion to approve the bills was approved and passed four votes to one with Council member Jacoy voting against.

February Payroll Clearing (Warrants 23182 – 23188)	\$17,843.20
	\$17,845.20
-Includes direct deposit run on 2/26/2020 for \$8,825.03	
March Payroll Clearing (Warrants 23190 – 23196)	\$15,151.54
-Includes direct deposit run on 3/12/2020 for \$7,248.22	
Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 23197 – 23231)	<u>\$182,642.75</u>
	Total \$215,637.49

Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at8:43 p.m.

Approved: 4/15/2020 Attest:

Mayor

City Clerk