

Regular City Council Meeting

Carnegie Library

May 17, 2021

In the absence of Mayor Karlin, Councilman Ferguson opened the meeting at 7:00PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Others Attending are:

Council: Justin Ferguson, Leonard Woehler, Ken Rockeman, Dan Thomasson was absent.

City Attorney: Jim Lippert

City Staff: Nadine Stosich, Clerk/Treasurer

Public: Barbara Selk, Linda Brunckhurst, Mike Shirley, Angela Selby, Lois Huffman, Monte Koch, Meggen Whalin

Councilman Rockeman gave the Invocation.

Councilman Woehler moved to approve the minutes of the 5/3/21 Regular City Council Meeting, seconded by Councilman Rockeman. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Monte Koch, representing the Chamber of Commerce, asked for the Council's permission to use the northwest corner of the park for the Farmers Market again this year. The Market will be held Friday evenings from 4:30 to 7:30, starting 7/16/21 and running through 9/10/21. They would also like to put a 10x10 storage shed in the park for their use during the Farmers Market. Councilman Rockeman moved to approve the use of the park for the Farmers Market and to approve putting a movable shed on site for storage, seconded by Councilman Ferguson. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Meggen Whalin, representing the Big Timber Grade School PTA asked the Council for use of the city park on 5/25/21 for an end of school year bash/carnival. They would need the park from 3:00PM– 8:00PM. Councilman Ferguson moved to allow the PTA use of the park for their end of school bash and carnival on 5/25/21, seconded by Councilman Woehler. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Councilman Woehler moved to table any action on RES #1000, A RESOLUTION RELATING TO FINANCING OF CERTAIN PROPOSED WATER PROJECTS: ESTABLISHING COMPLIANCE WITH REIMBURSEMENT BOND REGULATIONS UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, seconded by Councilman Rockeman. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

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Jim Lippert was asked to look into the possibility of us incorporating or adding additional surcharges to a defendant's fees. He discovered that we cannot charge more in surcharges and fees per state law. We may consider assessing a fee or a fine for any person pulled over within the city limits who refuses to blow into an intoxilyzer. This would be lawful. The current law states that the individual will lose their license for 6 months but there is not a fine associated with it. Jim will report back at the next meeting with more information on potential income to the city.

Public Comments: Co-Coordinator of the Crazy Mountain Fiber Fest, Lois Huffman expressed disappointment that 3rd Street was closed for construction just before the Fiber Fest. This closure eliminated parking and two entrances into the Civic Center. Councilman Ferguson apologized on behalf of the Council and agreed to check the Community Calendar before scheduling future street closures. City Clerk, Nadine Stosich reported that Republic Services will start construction Monday, May 24th on the new scales at the transfer site and they should be completed by June 1st. Discussion on the new rates will take place at the next Regular City Council Meeting.

Council Concerns: Councilman Rockeman expressed concern for the lack of street signage on 4th Ave. in front of Doggie Day when trying to turn left onto Boulder Street. He is also worried about traffic leaving The Fort parking lot, turning left onto 5th Ave. These two areas seem to be causing some problems.

Councilman Ferguson moved to approve the claims for the 2nd half of April, seconded by Councilman Woehler. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Councilman Rockeman moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:43PM, seconded by Councilman Woehler. Motion carried by unanimous vote of the Council present.

Justin Ferguson, Council Chairman

ATTEST:

Nadine Stosich, Clerk/Treasurer

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