Waitsburg City Council Meeting – October 15, 2014

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

Roll Call
City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe called the roll. The following were present:
Mayor: Walt Gobel
Council Members: Kevin House, Karl Newell, and KC Kuykendall
Others: Delores Nettles, Dena Wood, Gwen Gobel and City Attorney Kris Hedine and Assistant City Attorney Jared Hawkins

Agenda Approval
With no objections to the agenda, the agenda was approved and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes – September 16, 2014 Regular Meeting
Minutes amended to reflect the actual discussion and voting on new business agenda item a, will no objections minutes were approved and passed unanimously.

Public Comment
None received.

New Business
a. WWCSO Update
Walla Walla County Sheriff John Turner was in attendance to present his quarterly update on police activity in the City during the previous quarter.

b. Marijuana Zoning Revisitation
Discussion related to the City’s current zoning related to the retail sale of marijuana in the City of Waitsburg. Council discussed the current zoning regulations as well as recent upholding of various City bans and the City Attorney’s attorney concerns regarding the bans. Walla Walla County Sheriff John Turner also gave his opinion on the subject as did Mayor Gobel and other Council members. Discussion only, no action taken.

c. Public Hearing/Resolution 2014-639
Public Hearing related to the City of Waitsburg application to the United State Department of Agriculture for assistant with its public art project as a part of the City’s 150th Anniversary. With no comments from the public regarding the City’s request for assistance, council member Newell moved to approve Resolution 639 with Council member Kuykendall seconding, the motion to approve Resolution 639 approved and passed unanimously.

d. Engineering Agreement
Agreement with Anderson Perry for engineering services related to water line improvements along Main Street, 1st Street and Jay Street. City Administrator briefed the Council the project and after a short discussion Council Member Newell moved to approve with Council Member House seconding the motion. Motion to approve the agreement was approved and passed unanimously.

e. 2015 Budget Projects/Task
Discussion item related to various department/fund projects/tasks they relate to the 2015 City Budget. Discussion only, no action taken.

f. Pool Liner
Item related to the current pool liner’s age and corresponding leak(s). Council discussed various replacement options and costs. Council Member House provided some information about a spray on project that would potentially work in place of relining the pool. Item tabled until further information could be obtained regarding the product.

g. Ordinance 1025
Ordinance updating the City’s municipal code related to the beginning and ending utility cycle dates. With no discussion, Council member Kuykendall moved to approve with Council member Newell seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

**h. Sewer Funding Coalition**
Item related to the possibility of the City of Waitsburg going a coalition headed by the City of Shelton for the lobbying for changes in sewer funding for Cities and other sewer related districts. Council felt the efforts would be better spent through the Association of Washington Cities. With a lack of a motion to join the coalition, the request to join was left unapproved.

**i. Student Representative Appointment**
Appointment of Emma Philbrook as the City’s Student Representative for the 2014-2015 school year. Ms. Philbrook read her oath before taking her seat on the Council.

**j. Art Raffle Drawings**
Emma Philbrook drew the winning tickets for the public art raffle for a clay statue and rooster painting done by Jeffrey Hill. John Stellwagon won the statue and Barb Miller won the Rooster painting.

**Unfinished Business**

**a. Ordinance 2014-1024**
Ordinance updating the Municipal Code related to the use of independent contractors in the cemeteries to set headstones. Council discussed the wording updates to the Code and Council member Kuykendall moved to approve with Council member House seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.

**Mayor’s Report**
Mayor Gobel informed the Council about the kick off meeting for the 2015 Waitsburg Celebration Days and the need for volunteers.

**Council Reports**
Council Member Kuykendall commented on the AWC push on infrastructure funding and did a quick update on the Fairgrounds.
Council Member Newell urged the Council to continue to support the Sheriff’s office prescription drug take back day events.

**City Clerk Report**
City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe informed the City Council on various day to day business matters of the City.

**Approval of Bills**
With no questions related to the City’s obligations, Council Member Kuykendall moved to approve with Council Member Newell seconding. Motion to approve the bills was approved and passed unanimously.

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September Payroll Clearing (Warrants 9114 - 9133) $ 18,851.51
October Payroll Clearing (Warrants 9134 - 9148) $ 18,701.75
Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 18433 - 18473) $ 87,182.04
Total $ 200,001.52
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**Adjournment of Meeting**
There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

**Approved: 11/19/2014 Attest:**

Mayor City Clerk