Waitsburg City Council Meeting – November 19, 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, Marty Dunn, Deb Callahan and KC Kuykendall
Others: Gwen Gobel, Tom and Anita Baker, John Langford, Jim Lynch, Lois Winchester, Bonnie Olson, Dan Katsel, Joy Smith, Trace Katsel, Derek and Savana Katsel, Melissa Shumake, Kame Shily, Sofia Mercado, John King (WWCSO) Dena Wood Susan Donegan 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 – November 19, 2014 Regular Meeting
With no objections minutes were approved and passed unanimously.

Public Comment
None received.

New Business
a. Washington State Liquor Control Board Q&A
Karen McCall was present to answer questions related to recreational marijuana. Discussion item, no action taken.
b. Public Hearing – Property Taxes
Public Hearing related to the possible raising of property taxes 1% as allowed by law, in addition to the potential tapping of banked capacity for debt service related to a possible bridge replacement project. No public comment received.
c. Resolution 2014-640
Resolution setting the tax levy for the 2015 budget year, and authorizing any increases in property taxes for the 2014 collection year. With no more discussion related to property taxes, council member Kuykendall moved to approve Resolution 640 with no increase in the percentage rate or use of banked capacity with Council member House seconding, the motion to approve Resolution 640 approved and passed unanimously.
d. Public Hearing – 2015 City Budget
Public Hearing related to the projected revenue and expenditures for the City’s 2015 budget. No public comment received. Discussion item only, no action taken.
e. Public Hearing – Alley Vacation
Public hearing associated with an application to vacate and alley off of W. 4th Street. No public comment received. Discussion item only, no action taken.
f. Ordinance 2014-1026
Ordinance approving the vacating of an alley off of W. 4th Street and requiring the property owners to proceed with a boundary line adjustment to have all of the alley included with the address of 209 W 4th Street. With short discussion, Council member Callahan moved to approve with Council member Kuykendall seconding. Motion to approve the ordinance was approved and passed with four votes with Council member Newell abstaining due to a perceived conflict of interest.
g. Resolution 2014-641
Resolution adopting the Walla Walla County solid waste management plan. With no discussion, Council member Dunn moved to approve with Council member Newell seconding. Motion to approve was approved and passed unanimously.
h. Resolution 2014-642
Resolution releasing retainage owed to Moreno & Nelson construction for work done on the Main Street ADA retrofit project. With no discussion, council member Dunn moved to approve with Council member Newell seconding. Motion to approve the resolution was approved and passed unanimously.

**Mayor’s Report**
Mayor Gobel updated the Council on the 2015 Waitsburg Celebration Days event.

**Council Reports**
Council Member Callahan offered a thank you the public works crew for spraying of the cemeteries. Council Member House commented on the status of the Mill Site art piece.

**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 Dunn moved to approve with Council Member Newell seconding. Motion to approve the bills was approved and passed unanimously.

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October Payroll Clearing (Warrants 9149 - 9163)  $ 18,300.10
November Payroll Clearing (Warrants 9164 - 9178)  $ 17,930.51
Claims Clearing Vouchers (Warrants 18474 - 18575)*  $ 71,856.06
Total  $ 108,086.67
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**Adjournment of Meeting**
There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Approved: 12/17/2014 Attest:

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Mayor City Clerk

Council Members were present during a retirement celebration an hour before the council meeting for Public Works Director Dan Katsel who is retiring on December 1, 2014 after 40 years of service to the City of Waitsburg.

*includes the issuance of a warrant to go with Resolution 2010-642