

DAYTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Tuesday Jan. 10, 2023

HYBRID MEETING

ZOOM AND IN-PERSON MEETING

Dayton, Washington 99328

CALL TO ORDER:

A. Call to order

Mayor Weatherford calls the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmembers: Teeny McMunn, Dain Nysoe, Tiger Dieu, Kyle Anderson, Jim Su'euga, Shannon McMillen, Laura Aukerman

Staff: Deb Hays - City Clerk/Treasurer, Ryan Paulson - Public Works Director, Misty Yost – Deputy City Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Approval of agenda

1. ACTION: Consider authorizing 1/10/2023 City Council Agenda as presented:

Aukerman makes a motion authorizing 1/10/2023 City Council Agenda as presented. Su'euga seconds the motion. Agenda approved, unanimously.

C. Public Comment – No Public Comment.

- D. Sheriff Joe Helm - Columbia County Sheriff's Department – Helm provides the council with the latest incident reports. He also reports on staff training, Citizens Academy meetings, Crime watch, posey program and upcoming community events and programs. Helm also thanks the community and other organizations for the Law enforcement appreciation event.

- E. Tina Bobbitt – Columbia County Emergency Management Director- *Bobbitt updates the council on emergency calls within the City and County. Council and Mayor Weatherford question Bobbitt on her plans for formation of Emergency response groups. Bobbitt states that they are currently working on the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.*

- F. Ryan Rundell – Columbia County Board of Commissioners- *Rundell updates council in on new hires, union negotiations and budget amendments.*

Flood control District report. No Report. Council questions Rundell on letter from commissioner in regard to the flood control hazard mitigation plan. Rundell Responds that the county is still pursuing grant moneys to develop a flood hazard mitigation plan but does not have a timeline for implementation of plan. Council questions Rundell about dissolving the Flood Control Dist. Rundell responds that the Flood Control District will likely be dissolved to lack of funding for insurance.

- G. Presentation – Larry Hector & Connie Taylor-Randall, of Walla Walla/Columbia County Accessible Communities Advisory Committee give a presentation on the Accessible Communities Act and the need for better accessibility for people with disabilities. Council questions Taylor-Randall in regard to grant money and funding for past and future projects. The group also speaks in regard to projects past, present and future for Columbia County.

- H. Presentation and Discussion – Charter Communications Franchise Agreement. Mayor Weatherford, Ryan Paulson and Council discuss the franchise agreement and possible issues with the Representatives from Charter Communications.

I. Consent Agenda - Action

1. Approval of December 13, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of Claims Voucher Warrants as audited by the Finance Committee in the amount of \$161,679.60. Voucher #'s 54847-54860, 54875-54905, 54908-54912, 54943-54947.
3. Approval of Payroll Voucher Warrants for December 2022 in the amount of \$91,680.62. Voucher #54861-54874, 54906-54907, 54913-54942.

McMunn makes a motion to authorize Consent Agenda. Nysoe seconds the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

J. Items for Council Consideration/Action.

1. **Consider appointing Dain Nysoe to serve as Mayor Pro-Tern for 2023**

Jim Su'euga nominates Dain Nysoe. Council discusses. McMunn Seconds. Motion passes 4 to 2. With Aukerman and Dieu voting against.

2. **Recommended Action-** Consider Authorizing Resolution No. 1506 -A Resolution of the City of Dayton, Washington, sponsoring a Non-City Entity Application for Membership in the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Workers' Compensation Retrospective Rating Program (RETRO) for Columbia County Public Transportation. David Ocampo General Manager of Columbia County Public transportation explains the need/requirement for Resolution 1506. Council questions Ocampo and discusses. ***Su'euga makes a motion Authorizing Resolution No. 1506, A Resolution of the City of Dayton, Washington, sponsoring a Non-City Entity Application for Membership in the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Workers' Compensation Retrospective Rating Program (RETRO) for Columbia County Public Transportation. Aukerman seconds the motion. Motion carries unanimously.***

K. Standing Committee Reports/Comments

Public Safety – **Anderson reports on School zone issues and new signage and crosswalk concerns.**

Public Works -**Aukerman -Reports on priorities for public works, sewer plant issues, need for new equipment. Aukerman also reports on completion of repairs to the flap gate as well as research with other cities for the cost and repairs.**

Finance Committee -**Nysoe – No report.**

Parks and Grounds –**Su'euga – No report.**

Planning and Community Development – **McMunn reports on the number of permits reported from the Columbia County Planner. McMunn also reports on other workshops that she attended.**

Human Resources – **Dieu –Reports on discussions about employee contracts as well as policy changes and new termination process.**

Transportation – **McMillen -No report.**

Chamber –**Teeny McMunn – No report.**

L. Department Reports

Mayor Reports/Comments – **Mayor Weatherford updates council on city council workshops, projects for 2023 as well continuing negotiations for the purchase agreement for wastewater treatment plant project. Weatherford also introduces a letter regarding the sediment build up in the Touchet river for the Councils approval and signatures. To be sent along with a similar letter from the County Commissioners to be sent out to other groups and government agency for assistance with this matter.**

Public Works Director – **Ryan Paulson – Paulson reports on permitting and repairs to the Touchet river floodgate, as well as downed trees in the park. He also reports on replacement of water meters, break in's and vandalize at the City Cemetery and restrooms. Paulson informs council that he is working with the sheriff's office in regard to these issues. Paulson also reports on sewer plant issues and repairs that are needed as well as purchase of new equipment as well as on upcoming classes for grant writing. Paulson discusses issues that may arrive with the possible building of a new facility on port property.**

City Clerk Treasurer –**Debra Hays- Hays updates council on finalizing of budget issues as well as grants, end of year and annual reports.**

M. Unfinished Business- No unfinished business.

N. New Business – No new business.

O. Final Public Comment- No public comment

P. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting is adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Su'euga makes a motion to Adjourn the City Council meeting of January 10th, 2022, Aukerman seconds the motion. Motion carries, unanimous.

Next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for 2/14/2023.

City of Dayton


By: Zac Weatherford

Attested:


Deb Hays, City Clerk Treasurer

Approved:

2/14/23
Date