



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 21, 2016

City Council of the City of Ephrata, Grant County Washington met in regular session on September 21, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by City Administrator Wes Crago.

Crago called meeting to order and requested a vote for Chairperson. Motion to appoint Matt Moore as Chairperson. (m/s Millard/Allstot) Motion carried.

Members Present: Council members Mark Wanke, Matt Moore, Valli Millard, Stephanie Knitter, Tony Mora and Kathleen Allstot.

Staff Present: Fire Chief Jeremy Burns, Community Development Director Ron Sell, Public Works Director Bill Sangster, Police Captain Eric Koch, Recreation Director Ray Towry and Deputy Clerk Sandi Grout.

Motion to excuse Mayor Reim and Councilmember Coe. (m/s Millard/Allstot) Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

The meeting is being recorded.

No public signed up to speak.

Agenda: Addition to Agenda Item 3, Section VII.

Consent Agenda: Motion was made to approve consent agenda. (m/s Knitter/Mora) Motion carried.

Items on the consent agenda are as follows:

Claims #85546 through #85607 in the amount of \$125,878.91.

Manual Claims #86092016, 87092016, 88092016, and 89092016 in the amount of \$2,253.46.

EFT payment in the amount of \$24,552.54

Minutes of the September 7, 2016 Council meeting

Final Plat for Highland Estates No. 3

Public Hearing – Open Session for 2017 Budget Input: Public Hearing was opened at 7:02 p.m. There were no public comments or questions. Crago addressed the 2017 Budget process. Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

Public Hearing on Ordinances – Public Hearing was opened at 7:04 p.m. This is the second Public Hearing. Community Development Director Sell gave the Staff Report on all of the following Ordinances. This is a request to update the Ephrata Municipal Code 18.04, Lot Line Adjustments, 18.29, Design Standards, 18.33, Improvements, 18.36, Reimbursement for Utility Installations, 18.55, Segregation for Conveyance Plats, 19.17, Marijuana Regulations, 20.04, Environmental Policy Act, and 21.02, Street and Utility Construction Permits. Section 18.04, Lot Line Adjustment updates are minor changes to application procedures. Section 18.29 updates are minor changes to clarify existing information. Section 18.33 adds “Complete Street” standards and definitions and other minor clarification updates. Section 18.36 modifies grammar. Section 18.55 is a removal of the section due to its incompatibility with state platting rules. Chapter 19.17, Marijuana Regulations is a new section moving portions of the Marijuana Regulations from Chapter 19.04 to a new Chapter 19.17 and adding Medical Marijuana standards to the new section. Section 20.04 updates the State Environmental Policy Act rules to current standard and changes the person that is responsible official. Section 21.02 updates the street and utility construction permit standards to include the most recently adopted construction standards packet, to clarify bonds and other standards to make them current. Chapter 20.04, Environmental Policy Act, Chapter 21.02, Street and Utility Construction Permits.

No appeals were filed on this matter.

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation commented with a concern that this non-project action may not have an effect at this time but in the future when individual projects relating to marijuana production, processing and retail sales may have an effect and requested a chance to review with ample time to comment at that time.

Ordinance 16-10: Amending Article VI of EMC Chapter 18.04 “Lot Line Adjustments”

Ordinance 16-11: Amending Chapter 18.29 “Design Standards”

Ordinance 16-12: Amending Chapter 18.33 “Improvements”

Ordinance 16-13: Amending Chapter 18.36 “Utility Installations”

Ordinance 16-14: Amending Chapter 18.55 “Conveyance of Plats”

Ordinance 16-15: Amending Chapter 19.17 “Marijuana Regulations”

Ordinance 16-16: Amending Chapter 20.04 “Environmental Policy”

Ordinance 16-17: Amending Chapter 21.02 “Street and Utility Construction”

There was no public comment. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ordinance 16-10, Amending Article VI of EMC Chapter 18.04 “Lot Line Adjustments” Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-10. (m/s Millard/Wanke)
Motion Carried.

Ordinance 16-11: Amending Chapter 18.29 “Design Standards” Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-11. (m/s Allstot/Millard) Motion carried.
No public comment. Close hearing at 7:10 p.m

Ordinance 16-12: Amending Chapter 18.33 “Improvements”
Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-12. (m/s Mora/Knitter) Motion carried.

Ordinance 16-13: Amending Chapter 18.36 “Utility Installations” Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-13. (m/s Wanke/Knitter) Motion carried.

Ordinance 16-14: Amending Chapter 18.55 “Conveyance of Plats” Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-14. (m/s Knitter/Allstot) Motion carried.

Ordinance 16-15: Amending Chapter 19.17 “Marijuana Regulations” Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-15. (m/s Allstot/Millard) Motion carried.

Ordinance 16-16: Amending Chapter 20.04 “Environmental Policy” Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-16. (m/s Mora/Wanke) Motion carried.

Ordinance 16-17: Amending Chapter 21.02 “Street and Utility Construction”
Motion to approve and accept Ordinance 16-17. (m/s Millard/Knitter) Motion carried.

Items for council Consideration: Karen Riste, 130 D Street SE, addressed Council on behalf of her request to increase the number of allowed household pets. No action.

Nighttime Use of Street-Legal Golf Carts: Crago and Koch reported to council on the pros and cons of nighttime Golf Cart use. Discussion by Council. No action.

Bio Selector: Motion to Authorize and enter agreement with TML Construction for bio Selector Construction upon legal counsel’s approval. (m/s Mora/Knitter) Motion carried.

City Administrator Report:

2016 Budget Report: Crago reported Cash Reserves are up \$4,000. Expenses are currently 16% below projected and Revenues are 15% below.

Splash Zone 2016 Attendance Report: Revenue and Expenses are below average this year. Attendance was down due to weather and unforeseen closures.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Matt Moore, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Sandi Grout, Deputy Clerk