



## CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

### August 02, 2017

An Open House forum was held at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Ephrata Street Funding Options and the Washington State Department of Transportation's proposal to re-strip SR-28 from Best Western to Oasis Park creating a center turn lane.

City Council of the City of Ephrata, Grant County Washington met in regular session on August 2, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Bruce Reim.

**Members Present:** Mayor Bruce Reim, Mayor Pro Tem William Coe, Council members Matt Moore, Valli Millard, Stephanie Knitter, Tony Mora, and Kathleen Allstot.

**Staff Present:** City Administrator Wes Crago, City Attorney Anna Franz, Community Development Director Ron Sell, Public Works Director Bill Sangster, Community Relations Director Traci Bennett, Police Chief Mike Warren, Fire Chief Jeremy Burns and City Clerk/Finance Director Leslie Trachsler.

Motion to excuse Council member Wanke. (m/s Millard/Moore) Motion carried.

Pledge of Allegiance was said. This meeting is being recorded.

No public signed up to speak.

**Agenda:** There were no corrections to the Agenda.

**Presentations:** None

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

Items on the consent agenda are as follows:

Claims #87093 and 87113 in the amount of \$3,249.94

EFT in the amount of \$21,986.91

Claims #87114 through #87174 in the amount of \$102,801.66

Payroll Checks #45086 through #45166 in the amount of \$82,552.34

Payroll Claims #86972, 86973, 87094 through 87112 in the amount of \$247,103.07

Payroll Direct Debit in the amount of \$6,000

Payroll Direct Deposit in the amount of \$173,559.26

Minutes of the July 19, 2017 Council meeting

Special Event Applications:

1. Block Party – 200 Block of E Street NW, August 26, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Closed Record Decision - Parkside Estates Phase 2 Preliminary Plat:** Crago reviewed the closed record decision process. The resolution in the packet referred to being part of the consent agenda; that was pulled and the resolution was amended to read “as part of the CLOSED RECORD DECISION”.

Director Sell gave a brief staff report. This is a request from the Planning Commission to review and accept recommendation to allow the development of a 28 lot residential major subdivision from Jon McCreary, Parkside Land, LLC. Proposed subdivision is located adjacent to and at the end of Parkside Loop SE. A public hearing was held before the Planning Commission and a resolution recommending approval of the Preliminary Plat was made. Staff recommends Council approval.

Motion to approve and accept amended Resolution 17-967 Approving Parkside Estates Phase 2 Preliminary Plat, a Major Subdivision. (m/s Moore/Knitter) Motion carried.

**2018 Budget Schedule:** Crago presented the 2018 Budget Schedule. This schedule outlines several budget study session and public hearings.

**Vacancy on Ephrata Civil Service Commission:** Deborah Lowe has resigned from the Civil Service Commission. This vacancy has been advertised and letter of interest will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### **City Administrator Report:**

- State Capital Budget & Basin Street Waterline Project Report: Due to the State Legislature’s failure to pass the Capital Budget, the Basin Street Waterline Project has been suspended. The drinking water state revolving fund loan the City is using to finance the project is part of the Capital Budget. Crago reviewed draft letter to Governor Inslee, from Mayor Reim, to lead the State Legislature to a bi-partisan resolution of the *Hirst* matter and pass the Capital Budget.

Motion to authorize letter to Governor Inslee. (m/s Moore/Millard) Motion carried.

- Splashzone Report: Attendance is way above last year significantly. We anticipate this week will be a good week given the high temperatures. The dive-in moving is coming up week from Friday where we will be showing JAWS.

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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Bruce Reim, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Leslie Trachsler, City Clerk