



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 20, 2014
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Perry called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Perry, Councilmembers Whalen, Morton, Manley, and Zaroudny

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, Councilmembers Jones and Ott –
MOTION (Whalen/Morton) to excuse all three absentees – Passed 4/0.

STAFF PRESENT

Public Works Director Neal, Accounting Supervisor Garrison, Police Chief Hernandez, and City Clerk Bolam

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Speaker	Address	Comments
Tom Boyle	1109 9 th Ave	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has been reading minutes on the website – appreciated the updated website offerings – wishes the website was more current in its appearance • ADA bathrooms and roof project are great to see going • Milton Way landscape looking great • Crosswalk improvements long time coming – would like to see flashing lights also

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appreciates Councilmember Whalen's fight for more feedback/stats from EPFD. Feels that residents at the bottom of the hill got the short end of the deal • Welcomed Chief Hernandez • Took survey for COPS grant – suggests that the police department might consider starting a web blog • Marijuana regulations – would like to see council use Ordinance 13-1813 to move forward for just retailers zoned to business and mixed use
Jacquelyn Whalen	1305 13 th Ave	Expressed concern over the meeting recording not working

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of:

- A. Minutes
 - a. October 6, 2014 Regular Meeting
 - b. October 13, 2014 Special Meeting
- B. Voucher and Payroll Approval
 - a. Checks/vouchers 55725-55851 in the amount of \$246,665.22
 - b. Payroll of 10/5/14 in the amount of \$220,697.45.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, to approve the Consent Agenda – **Passed 4/0**.

PUBLIC HEARING

- A. 2015 Proposed Budget (Public Hearing #1)

Accounting Supervisor Garrison explained the utility rate increase that Council recently adopted isn't included yet, and reviewed the budget schedule.

Mayor Perry opened the public hearing at 7:23 pm.

Speaker	Address	Comments
Jacquelyn Whalen	1305 13 th Ave	Expressed appreciation for making the budget so accessible and working so hard on it.

Mayor Perry closed the public hearing at 7:25 pm.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Zoo and Trek Authority Board Nomination

Mayor Perry introduced this item.

Council expressed support for nominees Josh Penner and Bob Walter.

COUNCILMEMBER MANLEY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, to approve the selection of Bob Walter for Position One on the Zoo and Trek Authority Board, fulfilling a three-year term. **Passed 4/0.**

B. Utility Trench Crossings on Milton Way

Director Neal handed out the agenda bill attachments. She explained the background for this opportunity to satisfy a future city need for conduit. The money would come from the electric utility fund.

Discussion ensued regarding conduit size, labor and material costs, the lack of need for this on Taylor St, and the benefit to the school district.

Councilmember Whalen said this is the right time to do this, saying it is investing with today's dollars for an inevitable project that may be 10 years away.

COUNCILMEMBER ZAROUDNY MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Morton, to approve an estimated expenditure of \$60,000 for four separate utility trench crossings on Milton Way between 23rd Ave and Juniper, and authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documents for the same. **Passed 4/0.**

C. Interfund Loan & Related Budget Amendment; Police Vehicles

Police Chief Hernandez explained that an older vehicle lost a transmission in training recently; hopefully it will be replaced within a couple weeks.

COUNCILMEMBER MORTON MOVED, seconded by Councilmember Whalen, to approve the following actions:

- i. Approve the attached ordinance obtaining a loan from the Electric Utility Fund to the General Fund for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for a period of three years at the current LGIP interest rate, and
- ii. Approve the attached ordinance making the necessary budget adjustments to reflect the above expenditures and loan, and
- iii. Authorize the Mayor to execute all necessary documents to accomplish the same.

Councilmember Morton said that, after recent discussions regarding the condition of the fleet, this is an appropriate action to make sure our police have the correct equipment.

Councilmember Whalen said he is very pleased that the city is able to utilize a loan from within.

The motion was voted on and passed 4/0.

7:50 pm – Mayor Perry called a recess; the meeting was called back to order at 8:00 pm.

D. Continued Budget Review

Director Neal explained that tonight's review picks up on page 49 of the document. Discussion included:

- Facilities Maintenance
 - Due to personnel allocation changes, this fund shows the increase. Other funds will collectively show the decrease.
 - The \$4,000 increase largely due to increases in the HVAC contract.
- Non-departmental
 - Concern expressed whether enough has been budgeted for IT needs – staff will look into this and report back.
- Police department
 - Overtime and general staffing levels – Chief Hernandez said he is still evaluating staffing needs of the department.
 - The debt service principle is almost double that of previous years. Staff will check for these details and report back.
- Engineering
 - The budgeted vs projected actual of salaries/wages is different. Director Neal will check this and report back.
- Planning & Community Development
 - The planning contract with Fife is now nearly equal to a full-time position. Staff will report back regarding the \$67,000 budget vs actual for that position.

Council chose to stop the budget review for the night at 9:18 pm.

Chief Hernandez reported on the car crash near the skate park.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Councilmember Zaroundny
 - Attended two fundraisers this week – reminded of the community's love for Milton; so many came out in support of the VFW and Mayor Pro Tem Taylor.
- Councilmember Manley
 - Heard about some good jail service ideas.
- Councilmember Morton
 - Attended fundraiser for Mayor Pro Tem Taylor – appreciated all who came out in support.
- Councilmember Whalen
 - Fundraiser for Mayor Pro Tem Taylor was wonderful – met new resident in Milton at the event who is excited to be here.
 - The City looks clean and nice. Requested that someone talk to EPFD about raking leaves around fire house.

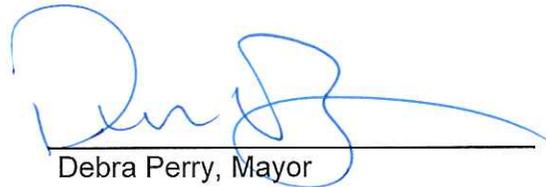
- Watched the electric crew working late on a rainy night last week – it was a professional and coordinated job.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Attended the Seniors' Oktoberfest lunch. Kudos to Public Works employee Brent Lagasa and Police Sergeant Nils Luckman for stepping in to take care of an issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 9:25 p.m.



Debra Perry, Mayor

ATTEST:



Katie Bplam, City Clerk