

November 14, 2022

The regular meeting of the Yerington City Council was held in the Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m. with the following present:

Mayor John Garry
Council Members Jerry Bryant, Matt Galvin, Frank Pizzo
Council Member Shane Martin joined via phone
City Manager Robert Switzer
City Attorney Chuck Zumpft
City Clerk Sheema D. Shaw
Chief of Police Darren Wagner
Public Works Director Jay Flakus
Building Inspector Joel Brown

Absent: Public Works Director Jay Flakus

Guests: David Ray, Nick Beaton, Jaycee Grider, Dave & Deb DeGrendele, Jim Sanford, Linda Roloson, Chantae Lessard, Shannon Coombs, Angela Haag

The meeting was called to order within the James Sanford Community Center and roll call was reported by Mayor Garry. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Garry.

Public Participation

Mayor Garry asked for comments. Linda Roloson addressed safety concerns on South Whitacre to West Bridge Street. Thirty signatures were collected from residents in the area. Their suggestions for improvement include 1) speed bumps; 2) installation of a stop sign; 3) a no parking zone by the DMV office. The Public Safety Committee will review a copy of her letter with the signatures.

Dave DeGrendele and Deb DeGrendele also spoke in support of the safety issue on South Whitacre and agreed something needs to be done.

Agenda Approval

Mayor Garry stated the agenda would be approved as presented unless there were any objections or corrections. Mayor Garry asked for public comments, there were no comments and the agenda was approved unanimously.

Minutes

Mayor Garry stated the minutes from the prior meeting dated October 24, 2022 would be approved unless there were any objections or corrections. There were no objections or corrections and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Review Bills Previously Submitted for Payment

1. Discussion and Approval of Bills Previously Submitted for Payment as Follows:
Checks 36019 through 36111 totaling \$2,022,944.51

Bills, Salaries and Vouchers:

Accounts Payable Checks	10/19/2022	36025 through 36053
	10/24/2022	36054 through 36065
	11/02/2022	36068 through 36095
	11/07/2022	36096 through 36111
Payroll Checks	10/17/2022	36019 through 36022
Payroll Vouchers	10/17/2022	10202201 through 10202227
Payroll Checks	11/01/2022	36066
Payroll Vouchers	11/01/2022	11032201 through 11032204
Transmittal Voucher	10/17/2022	10172201
Transmittal Checks	10/17/2022	36023 through 36024
Transmittal Voucher	11/01/2022	11012201
Transmittal Checks	11/01/2022	36067

Mayor Garry stated the bills previously submitted for payment, checks 36019 through 36111 totaling \$2,022,944.51 would be approved unless there were any objections or corrections. Mayor Garry stated no comments were made at this time and the bills previously submitted for payment were approved unanimously.

For Possible Action: Discussion and Possible Action to approve a request from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Mason Valley for ARPA funds in the amount of \$50,000. The funds would be used to assist with final costs of the E.L. Wiegand Early Learning Center on N. Main St. Staff reviewed the request and has determined this is an eligible expenditure within the ARPA guidelines. In its Final Rule, the Dept. of Treasury finds **“that improvements to or new construction of childcare, daycare, and early learning facilities are eligible capital expenditures.”** The Council has the option to approve the request, deny the request, award a lesser amount, or table the item for a subsequent meeting.

Nick Beaton, Boys and Girls Club of Mason Valley presented a request for funds for remaining costs such as furniture and fixtures to complete the Early Learning Center. Councilman Bryant stated he is in favor and asked for clarification if the request of \$50,000 exceeded what is unused from the Helping Hands allocation, would the excess funds come from another source. City Manager Switzer noted that the actual remaining funds are not known at this time and won't be until the final accounting of Helping Hands is completed.

Councilman Galvin inquired about how the money from Night in the Country is spent to which Nick Beaton replied that NITC is general operating funds. He also noted that when they opened the application process in July for the Early Learning Center, the 51 spots for the childcare program was filled in 2 ½ weeks.

Councilman Galvin made a motion to approve the request for funds from the Boys and Girls Club of Mason Valley for ARPA funds in the amount of \$50,000. Councilman Bryant seconded the motion. There were no public comments and the motion carried unanimously.

For Possible Action: Discussion and Possible Action on a request to waive fees for use of the James Sanford Community Center by the Rotary Club for an event Tuesday, November 22nd. The Council has the option to approve, disapprove, or modify fees charged for the event.

James Sanford spoke to request no rental fees be charged for the use of the Community Center for their Thanksgiving Dinner. The event will be fully catered with no need for the kitchen, just a small stage for a musician and tables and chairs. Rotarians, guests and some children will attend.

Mayor Garry stated he is in favor of approving this request. A motion was made by Councilman Pizzo to approve, seconded by Councilman Bryant. There was no further discussion or public comments and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Garry noted that Councilman Martin left the meeting at 10:31a.m.

For Discussion Only: Discussion on an ordinance addressing large events on first reading and by title; BILL NO. 426, ORDINANCE 22-04; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING YERINGTON CITY CODE, TITLE 4, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, ADDING CHAPTER 7, TITLED "LARGE EVENT," AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO.

Discussion only on above item. Needs further work and clarification on the tiers. No action taken.

Public Comments

Mayor Garry asked for public comments and there were none at this time.

Department Reports

Department Heads had no items to report.

Mayor Garry called Officer Brandon Coombs to the front, along with Chief Wagner and Officer Coombs' wife Shannon. Officer Coombs was recognized for his promotion to Detective and was presented with his Detective Shield. Congratulations were offered all around.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor of the City of Yerington

ATTEST:

City Clerk