

Minutes of 05-12-2020 Regular Meeting of the East Hope City Council

The Regular meeting of the East Hope City Council was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mayor Vernon Fleisher. Council members Tom Grimm, Lonna Bernard, Ian Barrett, and Debbie Field were present and constituted a quorum. The regular meeting was conducted via the Zoom meeting app and the City had a couple audience participants join the meeting.

Audience Comments:

No audience comments were given.

Approval of Minutes

Council member Barrett moved to approve the regular minutes of 04-14-2020, and special meeting held 4-24-2020, council member Bernard seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Approval of Bills/Financial Report

Council member Grimm moved to pay the April bills in the amount of \$18,609.22, council member Field seconded and the motion carried 4-0. The financial and quarterly reports were reviewed.

Public Hearing:

None

Old Business

City Park Update & Playground Equipment Fundraiser

Bob Larsen is sending a \$1000 donation for the playground equipment, a \$500 donation for the park in general and \$125 for a Veteran's Memorial tile. At this time, we have not received the quote for the pavers, this will be decided at a later date. The City has designated June 9th as our Arbor Day 2020, council and volunteers will be planting the Veteran's Memorial area and the monument area that day. The clerk will check with Cindy on the progress of the sign.

Water Facility Project Update

Council discussed the final pay request from Earthworks Northwest. Council member Barrett moved to approve the final pay request in the amount of \$78,570.57, council member Bernard seconded and the motion carried 4-0. Council discussed the performance bond and the date of substantial completion. They feel that the date of substantial completion for the project was when the 3rd sand filter was altered to meet compliance with IDEQ specifications (4/30/2020) and that the one-year warranty should start at that point. They have asked to have this reviewed by the city attorney and to hold on a decision until then.

Ellisport Bay Sewer District Discussion

Council has been given 3 dates for a joint sewer meeting (5/17, 5/20, 5/27) and council would prefer May 20th if that works for everyone else. Council has concerns regarding the sale of "ER's" outside of the service area or LID #1 and they also have concerns regarding the expansion of the sewer district plans reflected in their feasibility study. Council also does not feel that the representatives for East Hope are representing how East Hope residents actually feel.

Transportation Plan Update

Due to COVID-19, the city will look at holding a public meeting sometime in June. It will hopefully be in person and via the Zoom meeting app.

Zone Map Update

Due to COVID-19, the city will look at holding a public hearing hopefully during July to discuss, take public comment and take action on the proposed zone map update. The public hearing will need to meet all advertising requirements and will hopefully be in person and via the Zoom meeting app.

New Business

Draft Fiscal Year Budget 2021 Discussion

Council reviewed and discussed the draft budget for fiscal year 2021. The clerk will make some updates to the draft and present the new draft at the June meeting for review. The public hearing is scheduled for August 11th.

Water Rate Study

Council reviewed the information received from Keller Engineering regarding their quote for doing a water rate study. Keller suggested that the City may look at using Idaho Rural Water for this service to save funding. The City had received a quote from IRWA last year for \$3,500, council member Grimm moved to have IRWA perform the water rate study, council member Barrett seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Council Confirmation on Keller Engineering Contract

Council member Barrett moved to confirm the engineering contract with Keller Engineering, council member Grimm seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Staff Report

Planning and Zoning

The City has received 2 building permit applications, the permits were for a deck/entry on Lookout Blvd and a roof repair on Wellington. No new land use applications since the last meeting and staff is working on the zoning map update.

Water/Streets

Hydrant flushing and drainage ditch work is occurring.

Clerk

AIC conference will be a virtual training. Clerk has submitted the paperwork for becoming a Notary Public and will update everyone when it is complete.

Announcements

The next regular council meeting will be June 9, 2020 at 5:30 pm. Having no further business, council member Grimm moved to adjourn, council member Bernard seconded and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Vernon Fleisher, Mayor

Attest:

Christy Franck, City Clerk