

## MINUTES OF DECEMBER 27, 2017

The Sumas City Council met in regular session on the evening of December 27, 2017, with all councilmen present. Everyone in attendance stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved for filing.

Mayor Bromley brought up the appointing of Daniel DeBruin to Police Chief at the November 12, 2017 meeting. Bob administered the Oath of Office to Daniel and he promised to protect and serve according to law. Family and friends photographed the event and celebrated with loud applause.

Daniel DeBruin and retired police chief Chris Haugen spoke and relayed gratitude for all the years of service to the City of Sumas, both as Councilman and Mayor. Bob was presented with an engraved desk plate in commemoration of his years of service.

Daniel DeBruin explained his idea behind his request to make a conditional offer of employment to one more of the candidates on the certified list. Officer Bill DeBruin has decided to put off his retirement until one of the new hires gets out of the academy. Gary Debont made a motion to allow the conditional offer of employment. Todd Daniels seconded the motion and it carried. Daniel also informed councilmen that the floater holiday that was just added would be observed by the Police Department on June 1 every year. This is the date in 1891 that Sumas was incorporated. Gary Debont made a motion to set the newly added floater holiday for the police department be taken on June 1<sup>st</sup> every year. Bruce Bosch seconded the motion and it carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Lewis presented the Animal Control Contract for renewal for 2018. There are no changes to the contract and we will still be paying on a per call basis. Bruce Bosch made a motion to renew the contract and Rich Postma seconded the motion, which carried.

Ruben Hernandez brought up television and reported on some of the negotiations he has had with some of the local channels. Contracts need to be signed by December 31, 2017, so Ruben will meet with the TV Committee to try to come up with some ideas before Friday or just not sign and see what happens.

Jim Wright gave the Oath of Office to each recently elected councilmen, Josh Clawson, Bruce Bosch, and Rich Postma.

The new bills were presented to the Finance Committee for approval and payment. Vouchers #39036 through #39073 in the amount of \$48,340.72 and Payroll Voucher #20934 plus the Direct Deposit Run in the amount of \$18,400.00 were approved after a motion by Bruce Bosch and a second by Gary Debont. Bruce Bosch made a motion to accept the November Treasurer's Report. Gary Debont seconded the motion and it carried.

Josh Clawson made a motion to adjourn, with a second from Todd Daniels that carried.

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MAYOR

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CLERK-TREASURER