

MINUTES OF August 23, 2018

The Sumas City Council met in regular session with all councilmen present except Gary Debont. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the August 13, 2018 council meeting were approved for filing.

Councilman Daniels reported the outcome of the Building Permit Committee meeting regarding the Beardslee CUP and Variance application. The committee has met with Rollin and Ruben and has no objections. They felt the project conformed to the space and there is a catch basin for storm water runoff. Councilman Postma made a motion to approve the conditional use permit application for the Beardslee project located in the 200 block of W. Third Street. Todd Daniels seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried. Todd Daniels made a motion to approve the variance permit application for the Beardslee project located in the 200 block of W. Third Street. Josh Clawson seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried.

Councilman Daniels reported the outcome of the Building Permit Committee meeting with regards to the HD Investments, LLC CUP application for the property located at 404 E. Front Street. He stated they determined the project conforms and fits into the surrounding Front Street area. It was recommended to have trash enclosures at both ends of the parking lot and landscaping that is easy to maintain with a pleasing appearance. Councilman Clawson directed a question to Chief DeBruin. Should there be a crosswalk from the project location to Hovel Road? Chief DeBruin recommended not until a sidewalk is in place on Hovel Road extending all the way to the new ballfield entrance. Todd Daniels made a motion to approve the HD Investment, LLC CUP application for the property located at 404 E. Front Street based on the report of decision. Bruce Bosch seconded the motion all were in favor and the motion carried.

Chief DeBruin reported Officer Pluschakov was in phase three of FTO, which the last step of training before patrolling alone. He also stated he is very pleased with the performance of all the officer currently serving the City of Sumas.

Clerk-Treasurer Schultz reported she attended the 2019 AWC Budgeting conference, learned a lot and has new ideas to make the process go smoothly. She presented a budget timeline. She encouraged the Mayor and Council to reach out to neighbors for items they feel are important and return to the next meeting with any suggestions for the 2019 budget.

Clerk-Treasurer Schultz advised the council of the need to call for a public hearing September 24, 2018 at 7pm regarding a conditional use application submitted by Teal Jones Lumber Services. Bruce Bosch called for a public hearing September 24, 2018 at 7pm with regards to the Teal Jones Lumber Services conditional use permit application. Todd Daniels seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Schultz advised the council of the need to call for a public hearing September 24, 2018 at 7pm regarding a zoning conditional use application submitted by Thomas and Linda Young. Bruce Bosch called for a public hearing September 24, 2018 at 7pm with regards to the Thomas and Linda Young zoning conditional use permit application. Todd Daniels seconded the motion all were in favor, and the motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Schultz presented a resolution needed to cancel a check and re-issue. Bruce Bosch made a motion to adopt Resolution # 775 calling for the cancellation of treasurer's check number 39625. Todd Daniels seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Schultz reported for Superintendent Hernandez, as he is attending a water conference. She informed the council of the basketball court project completion. All feedback has been positive. Playground equipment is ready for installation and community work party is set. Mayor Christensen confirmed the work party date will be September 12th from 9am to 3pm.

Mayor Christensen reported the Planning Commission had met. The commission agreed that the required parking space for multi-family residential should be changed from 1.5 spaces per unit to 2 spaces per unit. City Planner, Rollin Harper will be working on an ordinance to change this in the zoning code. Another meeting has been set for September 19, 2018 at 5:15pm. Council man Bosch advised the council the committee wants to be used by the city to fulfill their purpose.

Mayor Christensen informed the council of another community outreach event, 2 scoops with the Mayor will be at Edaleen Dairy, September 22, 2018 at 6:30pm. He reported he will be delivering welcome baskets to new residents the evening of Wednesday, September 29. And performing a ribbon cutting for a new Restaurant, Lil Nut Café in the near future.

Mayor Christensen reported Attorney Wright added Section 5 back into the Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Sumas and Whatcom County Fire District #14 for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services and was ready to execute. Bruce Bosch made a motion to authorize Mayor Christensen to sign the agreement. Josh Clawson seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried.

Mayor Christensen recommended to council a step increase for the Clerk-Treasurer position. Clerk-Treasurer Schultz has demonstrated exemplary service over the past months and feels her years of service and knowledge is deserving of the step increase. Todd Daniels made a motion adopting Ordinance 1729 amending the 2018 salaries. Bruce Bosch seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried.

Attorney Wright requested a public hearing, regarding the moratorium prohibiting marijuana business, to be set for September 24, 2018 at 7pm. Bruce Bosch called for a public hearing to be set for September 24, 2018 at 7pm regarding the moratorium on marijuana business. Todd Daniels seconded the motion, all were in favor and it carried.

The bills were presented to the Finance Committee for approval and payment. Claims Voucher 39820 through 39848 in the amount of \$39,552.02 and payroll voucher 21010 plus the direct deposit run in the amount of \$19,250.00. All bills were approved after a motion by Bruce Bosch, seconded by Todd Daniels, which carried with all in favor.

Bruce Bosch made a motion to adopt the July 2018 Treasurer's report. Josh Clawson seconded the motion and it carried.

Josh Clawson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Todd Daniels seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer