

Minutes of October 22, 2018

The Sumas City Council met on the evening of Monday, October 22, 2018 with all councilman present. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the October 08, 2018 meeting were approved for filing with no changes.

Erika Nuerenberg, Assistant Director, from the Whatcom County Department of Health presented to the council the 2018 Whatcom County Community Health Assessment Report. This Health Assessment Report is done every 5 years for their national accreditation and to share our community health assessment with each city. Ms. Nuerenberg highlighted the main concerns affecting Whatcom County.

Fire Chief Jerry DeBruin and Fire Commissioner Graham spoke about the contract between City of Sumas and Whatcom County District 14 about meeting the millage revenue requirements for the 2021 contract.

Shelley Schultz, Finance Director, presented Resolution 778 for Unclaimed Property to be sent to the Washington State. Bruce Bosch moved for the Mayor to sign resolution 778 and Todd Daniels, seconded all were in favor motion carried.

Ruben Hernandez, Utilities Superintendent, asked for Third Street Closure for the Trunk or Treat on October 31, 2018 between the hours of 04:30 pm – 7:30 pm. Gary DeBont moved to allow for the road closure and Todd Daniel's seconded, all were in favor the motion carried.

Ruben also asked to have the fee waived for the road closure. Gary DeBont moved to waive the fee and Todd Daniel's seconded, all were in favor the motion carried.

Ruben wanted to inform the council about the Sewer Lift Station Surge Protection Devices advised the project is complete but forgot to factor in the sales tax amount which was an extra \$1147.50 over the bid proposal presented to the council prior.

Ruben spoke about the completion of the Knueman Road waterway cleanup. The 1st phase was completed with the mini excavator the next phase will be planting trees in the spring, this will alleviate the blackberries and grass that grow along the bank, they have now have cleared pathways along the banks for easier access to clear debris.

Ruben Hernandez updated on the playground everything is set up to go. The last thing needed is the engineered woodchips. Ruben presented two bids one from Game Time for \$5477.08 and one from Perry Pallet for \$4882.50. Game Time woodchips are certified, and Perry Pallets is still in the process of getting its certification. Game Time could have the wood chips delivered next Friday where Perry Pallet were three weeks out before they could deliver the woodchips. Bruce Bosch moved to accept Game Times bid of \$5477.08 and Gary DeBont seconded, all were in favor motion the carried.

Ruben also advised that the city was scheduled for its semi-annual water chlorination. The starting date is November 01st. 2018 and ending on November 09, 2018. It has been posted on our Facebook page and email notices were sent to the community.

Michelle Quinn, City Clerk, called for a public hearing for November 13, 2018, regarding off street parking Section 20.56. Bruce Bosch moved to call for the public hearing for November 13, 2018 and Todd Daniel's seconded, all were in favor motion carried.

Kyle Christensen, Mayor, is working on putting together a community survey to send out to the community. The survey responses would be helpful for grant money and funding for moving forward with this information from the community.

Kyle Christensen spoke about the budget being on schedule at this time.

Bruce Bosch motioned to pay the bills Gary DeBont seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.

Josh Clawson motioned to adjourn the meeting Todd Daniels seconded; all were in favor the motion carried.