

City of Sumas
Council Meeting
Minutes of June 10, 2019

The Sumas City Council met on June 10, 2019 with all councilman present. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the May 28, 2019 meeting were approved for filing with one change showing that Mollie Bost prepared the utility rate comparison update and minutes will stand approved.

Mayor Christensen opened the council meeting with citizen input.

Shelley Schultz, Finance Director presented Ordinance 1748 amending 1736 establishing the 2019 salaries. Catherine DeBruin and Officer Kurt DeVries have completed their first year of employment; moving them both up on the step program. Catherine and Kurt both have been doing a great job. Gary DeBont moved to approve Ordinance 1748 and Todd Daniels seconded it, all were in favor the motion carried.

Ruben Hernandez, Public Works Director, requested a road closure for June 29, 2019 for the Community days parade on Cherry Street starting at Third Street to Front Street. Bruce Bosch moved to approve the road closure and Gary DeBont seconded, all were in favor the motion carried.

Gary DeBont moved to waive the fee for the road closure; Todd Daniels seconded all were in favor the motion carried.

Ruben Hernandez, Public Works Director, updated the council about the TV cable, he was informed by SHAW that they will be discontinuing the MPEG2 signal and moving to MPEG4 signal. Sumas will be losing 8 or 9 channels when Shaw switches to the new feed on August 15, 2019; currently our TV cable does not have the right equipment to upgrade to that feed. Mayor Christensen inquired about if there was any other way to receive these channels, Ruben advised there was no other option at this time. Shelley Schultz asked if we have contacted the actual channel provider to see if they would pay for an upgraded receiver. Ruben will reach out the channel providers directly and see if they have any other options.

Ruben Hernandez, Public Works Director, reported that the Friends of the Library would like to have permission to have movie night in the city park. The three dates were June 24th, July 12th and the third one would be July 26th. They are asking to have a noise ordinance exemption to play the movies after 10 pm. Bruce Bosch moved to allow the Friends of the Library to play the movies on the dates they requested, and Todd Daniels seconded, all were in favor the motion carried.

Mayor Christensen asked for the TV committee to meet before the next council meeting.

Michelle Quinn, City Clerk, also asked for a road closure for the Community Days June 29, 2019 on Sumas Avenue between Noble Street and Cherry Street. Gary DeBont moved to approve the road closure of Sumas Avenue and Bruce Bosch seconded, all were in favor the motion carried.

Gary DeBont moved to waive the fee for the road closure; Todd Daniels seconded all were in favor the motion carried.

The bills were presented for approval and payment. Claims Voucher #40634 thru #40681 in the amount of \$141,813.41 and payroll vouchers #21092 thru 21099 and the direct deposit in the amount of \$135,891.09; Bruce Bosch motioned to pay the bills, payroll and the direct deposit, it was seconded by Gary DeBont, all were in favor the motion carried.

Bruce Bosch motioned to approve the manual checks it was seconded by Gary DeBont, all were in favor the motion carried.

Executive Session was called with Attorney Jim Wright present.

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

_____ Mayor

ATTEST:

_____ City Clerk