

Rainier City Council
Regular Meeting
August 23, 2016
7 p.m.

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Mayor Schleis. Flag salute led by Jonathan Stephenson

Roll Call: Those present were Mayor Schleis, Councilmembers Guizzetti, Shaw, Arnbrister and Stephenson. Excused absence is Gage. Staff present: Ron Gibson, Charmayne Garrison, Bill Cameron, Tami Justice, Lt. Counts, and Katrina Van Every.

Approval of Agenda: Motion was made to accept the agenda. Arnbrister/Guizzetti. Motion carried 4/0.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Motion was made and seconded to approve the consent agenda to include August 9, 2016 regular meeting minutes, August 23, 2016 claim vouchers 4483-4494 in the amount of \$9,916.89. Claims were audited and approved by the Audit Committee. Shaw/Guizzetti. Motion carried 4/0.

Presentation: Juliette Pia was presented with an appreciation award for her years of service with the Rainier Community Cares Organization. She has taken a job teaching Elementary in Shelton.

Public Comment: No public comment

Staff Reports-Council\Mayor\Committee:

- Mayor-Written report was submitted.
- Lt. Counts-Written report was submitted.
- City Attorney- nothing new to report.
- Public Works-written report was submitted.
- City Planner- Update on comp plan and planning commission will be presenting zoning changes to council.
- City Administrator- Thurston County Sheriff School Resource Officer will cost a total of \$40,000 for the year. We will pay the whole amount and then be reimbursed \$20,000 by the Rainier School District. Once contract is approved and signed by all parties, the SRO will begin in September.

Contacted several different government agencies regarding purchasing a street sweeper and a side-arm mower. Has a few leads and will bring the offers before council in the next few months.

Tami contacted Morris Contracting regarding trimming and shaping our holiday tree. Cody Morris with Morris Contracting stated that it is in such a state of disarray that he cannot repair the tree and that the best plan is to remove it completely. He provided a proposal of \$500 for tree and stump removal. Charmayne is asking for council's approval to remove this tree. Shaw moved to approve the tree removal with the understanding that Ron Gibson approves the removal as a satisfactory job prior to paying the contractor. Council agrees 4/0

We received the Letters of Confirmation from Tenino and Bucoda regarding the funds to be used on our Tipsoo Loop project. Charmayne has submitted the application for Small Cities Preservation Program and we should know by November 19, 2016 if we receive that grant. Once we get approval, project will move forward once weather permits.

905 Tipsoo Loop-asked council to have city attorney move forward with the lawsuit. We are overwhelmed with complaints. For the safety and welfare of the surrounding residents, we cannot keep postponing this nuisance abatement. Although it would save us a lot of time, money and hassle to wait for the foreclosure court date, they are constantly granted postponements and we cannot keep waiting for this. Council moved to proceed with lawsuit 4/0

- Councilmember Shaw-will be absent during the month of September 2016
- Councilmember Stephenson-will be absent during the month of September 2016 pending orders for his training.

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business

New Business:

Joel Baxter with Olympia Master Builders spoke to council regarding the impact fees that the Southeast Thurston Fire Authority is proposing. He wanted the council to be aware of how the impact fees work and that there are different alternatives that are available to the Fire Authority if the impact fees are not passed by the council.

Sheryl Turner agreed to fill the available seat on the Planning Commission.

Adjournment:

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. Shaw/Guizzetti. Motion carried 4/0



Randy Schleis

MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:

Tami Justice

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

