

City Council Meeting
June 25, 2013

Present: Mayor Rose Hanser, Councilpersons Evan Stewart, Tom Jankowski, and Lawretta Miller

Absent: Councilperson John Williams

Also Present: Fire Chief Ryan Reid, Public Works Director John Bleth, City Clerk/Treasurer Michelle Richards and Assistant Police Chief Kris Egan

Mayor Hanser called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, City Clerk/Treasurer Richards called the Roll Call.

Consent Agenda:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Stewart seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

- a. Minutes of 6/11/13 Regular Meeting
- b. Claims Roster 6/20/13
- c. May Financial Report
- d. Bonds Payment Authorization

Departmental Reports:

Reports were given by Assistant Police Chief Egan, Fire Chief Reid, Public Works Director Bleth and City Clerk/Treasurer Richards.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor Hanser reported that Montana Department of Environmental Quality is reviewing the backwash issue again to see if there is anything that can be done.

Public Comment and Participation: None.

Unfinished Business:

Councilperson Stewart moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-R05, notice of intention to increase the water and sewer rates. Councilperson Jankowski seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment. Motion carried with all in favor.

New Business:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve Resolution No. 2013-R07, approving compensation of city employees, council members and the mayor. Councilperson Stewart seconded the motion. Discussion: Councilperson Jankowski agrees with basing the 3% raise for the employees on the highest paid employee in each collective bargaining unit to keep everyone on the same playing field and keeps the gap between the higher paid and lower paid employees from increasing. Councilperson Miller doesn't feel the council members should receive additional compensation for committee meetings and conferences. After being elected as a council member, she was surprised at

how much the council members are paid. Councilperson Stewart made a motion to amend by striking the last paragraph of the resolution regarding the compensation of council members and the mayor. Councilperson Jankowski seconded the motion. Discussion: Current practice and compensation for council members and the mayor will continue as previously adopted until a decision is made whether to change it or not. No public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor on amendment. Original motion carried as amended with all in favor.

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the appointment of Jake Prentiss as Public Works Director. Councilperson Stewart seconded the motion. No public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilperson Stewart made a motion to approve Change Order No. 3 for a \$12,798.75 deduction to the Woodrose Street Sewer Repair. Councilperson Miller seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

Administrative Matters:

Councilperson Stewart requested that the compensation for the City Council and Mayor be put on a future agenda for consideration.

Mayor Hanser announced there will be a Budget/Finance Committee meeting at 6:30 p.m. on July 16, 2013 at City Hall.

Adjournment:

Councilperson Stewart moved to adjourn. Councilperson Jankowski seconded. Mayor Hanser adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Michelle Richards, City Clerk/Treasurer