ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES October 3, 2022 6:00 P.M. Hybrid Meeting

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Sorensen called the October 3, 2022, City Council Meeting to order. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Mayor Sorensen called roll. Mayor Sorensen, Josh Collette, John Heater, Pat Miller, Bethany Whipple-Boling, and Mike Cooper.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of September 19, 2022 minutes. Approval of payroll for \$158,323.64 including EFT's. Pat Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda seconded by Bethany Whipple-Boling. All council members voted in favor. Motion carried.

CHAMBER REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FOR CITYWIDE GARAGE SALE

Mayor Sorensen opened the discussion regarding the Chamber's request for reimbursement for the citywide garage sale. Jillana Bickford briefed council regarding the Chamber's request for reimbursement in the amount of \$1582.61 for the citywide garage sale. John Heater made a motion to approve the Chamber's request for reimbursement in the amount of \$1582.61 seconded by Pat Miller. Josh Collette inquired about the members of the committee. All council members voted in favor. Motion carried.

CHAMBER REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST FOR 2ND QTR TOURISM PLAN

Mayor Sorensen opened the discussion regarding the Chamber's request for reimbursement for 2nd quarter tourism plan. Jillana Bickford briefed council regarding the Chamber's request for reimbursement in the of \$8310.21 for 2nd quarter tourism plan. John Heater made a motion to approve the Chambers request for reimbursement for \$8310.21 for 2nd quarter tourism plan seconded by Josh Collette. All council members voted in favor. Motion carried.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CITY OF MONTESANO

Mayor Sorensen opened the discussion regarding the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Montesano regarding IT Services for 2023. Mayor briefed council on the Interlocal Agreement. Josh Collette made a motion to authorize Mayor Sorensen to sign the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Montesano seconded by Bethany Whipple-Boling. All council members voted in favor. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works-Pat Miller informed council they have a meeting tomorrow at 4:30.

Tourism-John Heater informed council they have a 2023 budget meeting tomorrow.

Capital Facilities-Mike Cooper informed council that they will scheduling a meeting soon and they will be discussing meeting with a consultant that wants to work with the city on long-term capital facilities plan.

STAFF REPORTS

Joe Chyrstal-Informed council that he has been approached by the hospital to have the helicopter landing on their new building eventually. Mayor Sorensen inquired about whether or not the parking lot between Arby's and Starbuck would become an issue and Joe Chyrstal responded that it could be. Pat Miller inquired whether or not the road at Eagles Landing was city or private. Joe Chrystal responded that it was private.

Chief Fulbright-Informed council about the activities of the Fire Department.

Dee Depoe-Informed council that the new cement has been done and there will be more sidewalk improvements and two trees were taken down. Library is back to in-person programming.

Chamber of Commerce-Informed council they are working on the fall festival. The garage doors are on hold until she can get more bids. Pat Miller had some suggestions regarding the garage doors.

Mike Cooper-Inquired about the tourism committee and if the resolution had been found. Mayor Sorensen informed council that the Clerk-Treasurer's office is going through an audit and have been pretty busy. Mike Cooper requested another executive session for labor negotiations. Chris Coker informed council that it is not an executive session, that it is a closed session.

Josh Collette-Like the new parking. Inquired about the office hours at the Visitor Center. Jillana responded that typically they open from 9:00-2:00. Pat Miller inquired about whether or not there is volunteer staff to keep the chamber open on the weekends. Jillana responded that not at this time but will take it to the board.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Sorensen-Informed council that he would like to call for a special meeting on Thursday October 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Will be a short meeting. Chris Coker informed council that there was a resolution passed regarding hybrid meetings. Mayor Sorensen informed council that he saw on social media that there was going to be homecoming parade in town and was not informed by the school. Council had discussions regarding this topic. Mayor Sorensen agreed to get in contact with the school regarding the homecoming parade.

Special Meeting will be October 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Next Council meeting will be October 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Work Session will be October 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mike Cooper made a motion to adjourn seconded by Josh Collette. All council members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Jim Sorensen – Mayor

Wendy Collins - City Clerk/Treasurer