

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

June 16, 2015

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Mark Mace at 6:30 p.m. on June 16, 2015.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Doug Poehls
 Chuck Dickerson Richard Herr
 Tom Nelson

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Bruce McGee Scot Stokes
 Bill Mountsier

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: None

Mayor Mace led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Mayor Mace asked the council to observe a moment of silence.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 2, 2015, as presented, seconded by Council Member Herr. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Montana Department of Revenue: Application for Issuance of a one (NEW) Montana Domestic Brewery License for High Plains Brewing, LLC at 611 East Main Street.

Application for All Alcoholic Beverages License No. 03-044-9195-001 for Fowl Play, LLC at 220 South 1st Avenue.

Laurel Chamber of Commerce: Minutes of May 14, 2015; Agenda for June 11, 2015.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS.

PUBLIC HEARING.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of May 2015.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 06/07/2015 totaling \$190,192.99.**
- **Receiving the Committee/Board/Commission Reports into the Record.**

--Park Board minutes of June 1, 2015 were presented.

--Health Insurance Committee minutes of June 2, 2015 were presented.

--Budget/Finance Committee minutes of June 2, 2015 were presented.

--City-County Planning Board minutes of June 4, 2015 were presented.

--Council Workshop minutes of June 9, 2015 were presented.

--Laurel Library Board minutes of May 12, 2015 were presented.



--Laurel Urban Renewal Agency minutes of May 18, 2015 were presented.

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The mayor asked if there was any separation of consent items. There was none.

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Poehls. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**

Cemetery Commission:

Mayor Mace reappointed Lee Barndt and Tom Nelson to the Cemetery Commission for two-year terms ending June 30, 2017.

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve the Mayor's reappointments of Lee Barndt and Tom Nelson to the Cemetery Commission, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

City-County Planning Board:

Mayor Mace reappointed Greg Nelson to a Council appointment for a two-year term ending June 30, 2017 and Hazel Klein to a Mayor appointment for a two-year term ending June 30, 2017 on the City-County Planning Board.

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve the Mayor's reappointments of Greg Nelson and Hazel Klein to the City-County Planning Board, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Board of Appeals:

Mayor Mace reappointed Ed Thurner to the Board of Appeals for a two-year term ending June 30, 2017.

Motion by Council Member Dickerson to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Ed Thurner to the Board of Appeals, seconded by Council Member Nelson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Park Board:

Mayor Mace appointed Irv Wilke to the Park Board to fill a term ending December 31, 2018.

Motion by Council Member Nelson to approve the Mayor's appointment of Irv Wilke to the Park Board, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Resolution No. R15-56: A resolution of the City Council adopting a Management Budget to assist the City's Department Heads with projecting and managing their respective budgets for the fiscal year.**



Motion by Council Member Herr to approve Resolution No. R15-56, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Resolution No. R15-57: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract for the City Prosecutor position between the City of Laurel and Elk River Law Office.**

Motion by Council Member Poehls to approve Resolution No. R15-57, seconded by Council Member Nelson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Resolution No. R15-58: A resolution approving Amendment No. 6 to the previously adopted Task Order No. 16 of the Agreement for Professional Services dated June 5, 2007, as amended via Resolution No. R14-88 on December 16, 2014, between the City of Laurel and Great West Engineering, Inc., for the final design, bidding, construction and post-construction phases of the Wastewater System Improvement Project.**

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve Resolution No. R15-58, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

- **Resolution No. R15-59: A resolution of the City Council authorizing the Mayor to sign renewal agreements with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana, Delta Dental and VSP for the provision of the Employee Health Insurance Program.**

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve Resolution No. R15-59, seconded by Council Member Poehls. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Council Member Poehls stated that the Emergency Services Committee will meet on Monday, June 22nd, at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers to discuss promotion of the safety mill levy and the closure of the underpass.

Council Member Nelson stated that the Cemetery Commission will not meet in July in order to get through the budget cycle and allow staff and the commission members some time to plan the course of action for some long-range issues for the future.


Council Member Eaton requested a presentation at the next workshop regarding the reasons why alleys cannot be paved. She has been getting calls from residents requesting that their alleys be paved and would like to have the explanation on record so the information is available to give to citizens.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:


Motion by Council Member Nelson to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All five council members present voted aye. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.


Cindy Allen, Council Secretary



Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 7th day of July, 2015.



Mark A. Mace, Mayor

Attest:



Shirley Ewan, Clerk/Treasurer