

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

NOVEMBER 21, 2017

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Council President Poehls at 6:30 p.m. on November 21, 2017.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Doug Poehls
 Bruce McGee Richard Herr
 Chuck Dickerson Scot Stokes
 Tom Nelson Bill Mountsier

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: None

Council President Poehls led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Council President Poehls asked the council to observe a moment of silence.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Mountsier to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 7, 2017, as presented, seconded by Council Member Dickerson. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Laurel Chamber of Commerce: Minutes of October 12, 2017; Agenda for November 9, 2017.
- WBI Energy Transmission Letter

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims for the month of November 2017 in the amount of \$265,079.06.**
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.
- **Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of October 2017.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 11/5/2017 totaling \$185,806.55.**
- **Receiving the Committee/Board/Commission Reports into the Record.**
 - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of November 7, 2017 were presented.
 - Council Workshop minutes of November 14, 2017 were presented.
 - Public Works Committee minutes of October 16, 2017 were presented.
 - Library Board minutes of October 10, 2017 were presented.
 - Tree Board minutes of November 2, 2017 were presented.
 - Park Board minutes of November 2, 2017 were presented.

The Council President Poehls 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 McGee. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR:

Arbor Day Proclamation – May 1, 2018.

Council President Poehls read the Arbor Day Proclamation and proclaimed May 1, 2018 as Arbor Day in the City of Laurel.



REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT):

Roger Giese, 211 4th Avenue, asked for clarification regarding the Mayor-Elect. He questioned if the Mayor-Elect is employed by the City can he become Mayor.

Council President Poehls stated he will request the subject be placed on the next Workshop Agenda along with the City Attorney's position on the matter.

Mr. Giese questioned if when filing to run for office the Mayor-Elect was made aware of that.

Council President Poehls stated that it was his understanding, when filing for office, Yellowstone County verifies the applicant is a resident and a registered voter, within the specified area.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Re-Appointment of Steve Solberg to Laurel Urban Renewal Agency for a four year term ending December 31, 2021.**

Motion by Council Member Herr to approve Steve Solberg to the Laurel Urban Renewal Agency, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Council Member Dickerson requested the stripping on SE 4th Street to be discussed at the next Workshop. He stated he understood the epoxy that was going to be put down was going to be heated into the pavement itself. He witnessed the street being painted with reflective added, but not heated. He would like clarification on this project.

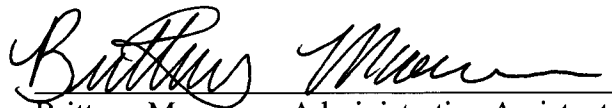
Council President Poehls requested the procedure of the Mayor-Elect swearing in be placed on the next Workshop Agenda.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:


Motion by Council Member Dickerson 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 seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.


 Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 5th day of December, 2017.


 Mark A. Mace, Mayor

Attest:

 Bethany Keeler, Clerk/Treasurer