

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

October 16, 2018

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 Eaton at 6:29 p.m. on October 16, 2018.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Heidi Sparks
 Bruce McGee Richard Herr
 Irv Wilke
 Bill Mountsier

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Scot Stokes
 Richard Klose

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: Matthew Lurker, Chief Administrative Officer

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

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

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 2, 2018, as presented, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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:

- Laurel Chamber of Commerce minutes of September 13, 2018; Laurel Chamber of Commerce Agenda of October 11, 2018.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims for the month of October 2018 in the amount of \$189,740.77.**
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 September 2018.**
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 10/7/2018 totaling \$186,232.78.**
- **Receiving the Committee/Board/Commission Reports into the Record.**
 - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of October 2, 2018, were presented.
 - Library Board minutes of August 14, 2018, were presented.
 - Library Board minutes of September 11, 2018, were presented.

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

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Sparks. 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.

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REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**
 - Appoint Jackson Booth to Laurel Police Department.

Motion by Council Member Herr to approve Jackson Booth to the Laurel Police Department, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. 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.

Police Chief Musson gave Council a brief overview of Jackson. Jackson is from Columbus Montana; he has worked as a reserve officer for Stillwater County. A few members of law enforcement from various agencies within Stillwater County were present.

City Judge Jean Kerr performed the swearing-in ceremony for Jackson Booth.

Chief Musson and Officers from various agencies within Stillwater County read the Criminal Justice Code of Ethics with Mr. Booth.

Chief Musson presented Mr. Booth with Badge No. 106.

Retired Police Captain Mark Guy presented the LPD color brass.

Chief Musson announced to Council that he has chosen to retire. His last day with the City will be October 31st.

- **Resolution No. R18-75: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement between the City of Laurel and the Drug Enforcement Administration “DEA” assigning a Laurel Police Officer to the Tactical Division Squad Task Force for a one-year period.**

Motion by Council Member Mountsier to approve Resolution No. R18-75, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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. R18-76: A resolution of the City Council accepting an easement from CHS, Inc. for the purpose of the construction and maintenance of an access road for City facilities and authorizing the Mayor to accept the easement on the City’s behalf.**

Motion by Council Member Wilke to approve Resolution No. R18-76, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. 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.

- **Motion to authorize the Laurel Jaycees to enter into a sublease with the 4-H Shooting Sports pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in their September 26, 2018 Proposal.**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to approve the motion to authorize the Laurel Jaycees to enter into a sublease with the 4-H Shooting Sports pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in their September 26, 2018 Proposal, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. 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.

- **Motion to authorize the Laurel Jaycees to enter into a sublease with the Laurel Shooting Education Program pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in their August 6, 2018 Proposal.**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to approve the motion to authorize the Laurel Jaycees to enter into a sublease with the Laurel Shooting Education Program pursuant to the terms and conditions contained in their August 6, 2018 Proposal, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. 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:

Emergency Services Committee will meet October 29th at 6:00 p.m. This will be the last meeting of the year and last meeting Chief Musson will attend prior to his retirement.

The most recently Meet with a Council Person was not well attended. Council Member Wilke stated that he has not heard from any of the constituents he is representing since becoming a Council Member.

Discussion at the next Workshop in regards to Centron/Pintler contracts.

Planning Board is still in need of members; those interested should submit a letter of interest.

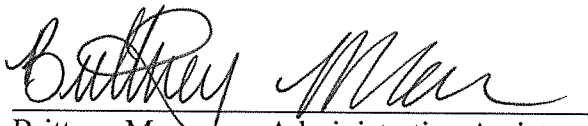
MAYOR UPDATES: None.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

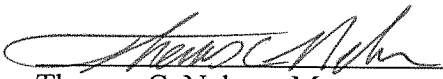
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member McGee to adjourn the council meeting, 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.

There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.


Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 6th day of November 2018.


Thomas C. Nelson, Mayor

Attest:


Bethany Langye, Clerk/Treasurer