

February 22, 2021
City Council Meeting Minutes

The February 22, 2021 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Staner. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then Delaney, Rausch, Hosch, Kelchen and Knepper answered roll call.

A motion was made by Kelchen, second by Rausch to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

No speakers addressed the Council.

Council reviewed the items in the consent agenda including City Council minutes 02/08/21 and City Council work session minutes 02/15/21, Library Board minutes 02/02/21, Cascade Municipal Utilities minutes 02/10/21, Cascade Economic Development minutes 01/27/21, Liquor License Renewal for Grace's Place. Motion by Delaney, second by Knepper to approve the items in the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Council discussed again adding another stormwater intake on Garfield to collect stormwater before it hits 1st Ave. This would be a grated intake in the street. Our engineer has reviewed and feels connecting to the new storm intake on Garfield close to 1st would be the best location. Council would like the engineer to review Garfield Street and identify the best location to place this grated intake. Once the engineer reviews the stormwater and identifies the best location to add another grate, we will get costs. Motion by Kelchen, second by Delaney to have Jake review best location and then get costs. Motion carried unanimously.

Council again discussed moving forward with asphaltting the community parking lot on Buchanan Street SW. Council discussed exactly what they want to have done at this location. We want to keep the grass strip on the south side of the parking lot. We want to maintain a grass strip on the East side and grade the parking lot so the storm water runs to the east side. We will also leave a grass strip along Buchanan Street just wide enough for the mower. We want the lot to be done to get the maximum parking spots. We also discussed the area on Buchanan Street SW right off of 1st Avenue. We will redo this parking area and place a sidewalk in the front of where the cars park. We will place some big planters and a bench in the grass area. The area next to the alley at the end of this area will be asphalted for a few parking spots that can be used by the apartment tenants. Motion by Kelchen, second by Delaney to go out for updated bids with the changes discussed. Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed quotes for new police vehicle. We received a quote for a 2021 Ford Police Interceptor for \$34,523 and a Ford F150 Police Responder 4x4 truck for \$36,151 from Herb Green Ford. The Police Chief addressed the City Council regarding these quotes. He also commented that if we were to get a Dodge Charger or Durango, it would cost an additional \$2500 - \$4000 to install the radio and light equipment. A truck is not the best option since the box can't be used to store anything since dust will get in. The Ford Interceptor is the lowest cost vehicle. There was some discussion held on graphics for the new car. Knepper and Hosch would like the graphics to be more visible than the current car has. After discussion, motion by Kelchen, second by Rausch to purchase the Ford Interceptor from Herb Green Ford and have the decals look like the current car. Motion passes 3-2, with Knepper and Hosch voting No.

Council reviewed the Downtown Façade Renovation Reimbursement for Lyons Service Center Towing & Recovery for the items that were for the front of the building. The cost of improvements for the front of the building totaled \$9,653.57, so the reimbursement would be \$1,930.71. Motion by Delaney, second by Kelchen to approve the reimbursement for Lyons Service Center Towing and Recovery. Motion carried unanimously.

Council received a report from the Police Chief and City Administrator. The Police Chief had nothing to report at this time. The City Administrator provided information to the Council about the Chamber's annual dinner being held April 14. The City has a table for 8 reserved. An update concerning the levee project was provided. The week of February 22nd surveyors will be onsite. Mobilization will start the 2nd or 3rd week of March.

With no other business, Kelchen moved and Delaney seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:57p.m.
Motion carried.

Deanna McCusker, City Administrator

Greg Staner, Mayor