

January 15, 2019

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Mayor Sarah Jackson on January 15th at 6:00pm at the Loyalton City Center Auditorium.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

S. Jackson, N. Rogers, J. Markum, D. Reide

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

B. Mitchell

STAFF PRESENT

S. Redmon- City Clerk, K. LeBlanc-Deputy City Clerk, T. Smith-Bookkeeper

GUESTS PRESENT

J. Beard, P. Demartini, R. Demartini, S. Haywood, M. Foreman, L. Horner, J. Mertton, J. Buck, E. Benson, R. Belli, V. Maddox

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Jackson removed item 14.5 and 14.2 until next scheduled council meeting. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the agenda as amended. Motion unanimously carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by D. Reide, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 18th 2018. Motion unanimously carried.

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Reide to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on December 21st 2018. Motion unanimously carried.

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on January 8th 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Deputy City Clerk requested from the council to submit names for the 5th annual Richard Meeder Award. City Book keeper T. Smith announced that the City Of Loyalton Audit is scheduled for March 19th 2019. She also gave an update on the Liberty Bill did not meet 2017 projected revenue. She added that Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric checked the meter, all was good, high bills due to running of aerators and winter heating.

PUBLIC COMMENT

R. Belli asked if you had to be a citizen of Loyalton to receive the Richard Meeder Award.

R. Demartini advised the council that the backflow is still leaking at the high school and that the street lights are still out. Council Member Rogers stated that John has checked on the back flow and will be fixed soon. Boom truck is still broke down, as soon as we get it fixed we will fix the street lights.

TIMED ITEM

Van Maddox Sierra County Auditor addressed the Council. He stated that errors had been made regarding taxes for the past 9 years, the city is responsible to re-pay \$59,809.82. He advised it has to be re-paid in three payments and the audit has yet to be completed. The payments are to be paid back in three installments 53% the first year, 29% the second year, 14% the third year. Council member Markum expressed her disappointment over this issue. Mayor Jackson asked Mr. Maddox to go back to the state and ask for a 6 year pay back as the 3 year would be devastating to the City of Loyalton.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief S. Haywood spoke about training for Loyalton Fire Department, he also stated that there will be more checks coming in for the wild life fires, he also informed the council that the annexation is moving forward through LAFCO, and would like to surplus engine 214, this item will be added to next agenda. Book keeper T. Smith inquired about the \$2,000.00 reimbursement money stating that she thought it should come out of the second check rather than the first.

FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the financial report. Motion unanimously carried. Council member Markum stated that no meeting has been held due to B. Mitchell being not available; she is concerned about the FEMA monies and would like a trial balance for the 1st of every month.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the financial report. Motion unanimously carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve payment of the bills, not to exceed \$17,215.03. Motion unanimously carried.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR USDA

None

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS

It was moved by J. Markum seconded by N. Rogers to approve reconciled accounts 12/18. Motion unanimously carried.

It was moved by J. Markum seconded by D. Reide to approve fund transfer USDA Loans not to exceed \$24,000.00. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION

Vice Mayor Rogers informed the council both plow trucks are now working, she also stated that both maintenance workers are working on water certificates. Vice Mayor Rogers advised the council that the block heater has not been ordered yet. Council member J. Markum inquired about mini excavator and Vice Mayor N. Rogers advised that Portola is unwilling to pay \$58,000.00 so we will have to go back to bid.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

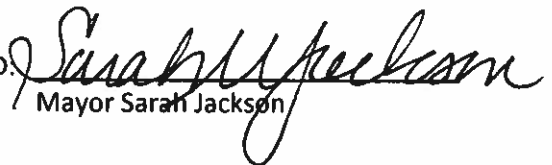
None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the Quarterly Report prepared by Farr West Engineering for quarter four 2018 for submission to the Central Valley Region Water Quality Control Board. Motion unanimously carried.
2. This item will be added to next agenda.
3. Mayor Jackson informed the Council that J. Cussins has signed the agreement to serve as City of Loyalton WWTP Operator.
4. After a brief discussion the council would be willing to negotiate utility services with a new owner of the Loyalton Mobile Estates.
5. This item has been added to next agenda.
6. Council member D. Reide agreed to head performance reviews for all City Employees. Mayor S. Jackson spoke about possibly having each maintenance worker in charge of a specific department. Council member J. Markum inquired about maintenance employee being paid by the City while away on fire.
7. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve commitment of Order and Decorum. Motion unanimously carried. Mayor Jackson stated that the council will have to take the Ethics course which is available online and the Sexual Harassment will be offered by the County.
8. After a brief discussion the Council will offer Mr. Meyers a payment option of \$6388.40 if paid in full and wave late fees or 2 payments of \$3941.00, It was moved by J. Markum seconded by N. Rogers to approve offering Mr. Meyers the payment plan. Motion unanimously carried.
9. Vice Mayor Rogers informed the Council that the maintenance crew is doing a good job and should go smoothly from here on out.
10. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Reide to approve the amendment to chapter 6.28 for animal control regulations. Motion unanimously carried.
11. This item will be added to next agenda.

Meeting Adjourned

APPROVED:


Mayor Sarah Jackson

ATTEST:



Samantha Redmon, City Clerk