REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Mayor Mark Marin on May 15, 2018 at 6:00pm at the Loyalton City Center Auditorium.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

M. Marin, N. Rogers, J. Markum

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

K. LeBlanc-Deputy City Clerk, T. Smith-Bookkeeper, Steve Gross-City Attorney

GUESTS PRESENT

M. Meder, G. Donowho, J. Buck, E. Teague, M. Lombardi, Ray Belli, L. Hood, E. Benson, P. Roen, L. Horner, N. Furtaw, S. Stoughtenger, B. Copren, R. Maddelena, B. Mitchell, L. Wright, D. Yegge, L. Ryan, R. Demartini, P. DeMartini, L. Hood, J. Kelley, J. Evans, D. Goicoechea, T. Beals, A. Fassbender, C. Fassbender, M. Funk, S. Jackson, A. Gunier, B. Mitchell, C. O'Riley

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy City Clerk K. LeBlanc informed the council that Public Comment was left off the agenda if will be Item 8 following Staff Reports.

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the agenda as amended and presented to the council. Roll Call: N. Rogers –Aye, J. Markum-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Nancy Rogers informed the Council that the CDF Crew will be here on May 21, to clean the cemetery. A question was brought up about the condition of the flags for the cemetery. Deputy Clerk K. LeBlanc will order new flags for the cemetery and Social Hall.
- 2. Mayor Marin addressed the issue of paying the former retirees; he would like to get this settled. After a discussion amongst the council and members of the audience it was decided that the need of a budget would be helpful so the City could finds the funds to pay them. Steve Gross did state that money could possibly come out of Water/Sewer Enterprise Funds if the percentage was figured out. Mayor Marin will check to see if any of the Settlement Funds from the WWTP could be used to pay retirees. He would like this item added to the next agenda.
- 3. Joy Markum addressed the issue of the Verizon Tower and stated the she heard that T. Beals from Sierra County denied the tower by stating that the tower had to be aesthetically pleasing. Mayor Marin called on Mr. Beals who was in the audience to address this issue. Mr. Beals denied this statement and gave the council a brief history on the discussions he was involved with about the tower. He stated that the City Council might want to check out the deed for the property and stated that the City may be subject to zoning codes. Mayor Marin would like this to be added to the next agenda.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR USDA

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve PP64 in the amount of \$23,622.64.Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve PP65 in the amount of \$87,093.65.Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Marin was asked to go out of order on the agenda as there was time issue for Item #2 under discussion and possible action. Council consented to this request. (See report under item #2)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS

- 1. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the transfer of funds to account 0559 for payment of USDA Loans for June 2018 in the amount of \$30,000. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- 2. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the fund transfer to Fire Department from general account 1956 for the Cherokee Fire in the amount of \$22, 433.12. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- 3. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the fund transfer to Fire Department from general account 1956 for the Central LNU Fire in the amount of \$39,604.46. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- 4. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve funds transfer to the Fire Department reserve account 7234 from general account 1956 for Sierra Valley Hospital District Donation in the amount of \$10.000. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- 5. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the fund transfer to the Fire Department reserve account 7234 from general account 1956 for Sierra Valley Community Foundation in the amount of \$792.88. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION None

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. Samantha Stroughtenger from Farr West presented the council a list of motions for USDA Utilization, after a brief discussion, It was moved by Mayor Marin, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the following recommendations; 1. Work Change Directive for the City of Loyalton Sewer Cleaning and Closed-Circuit Television Video project for additional work, 2. Approval of materials as listed in Table 2 from the funding utilization letter dated 5-14-18. 3. Approval of services immediate available for purchase as listed in Table 3 from the funding utilization letter dated 5-14-18. 4. Approval of services requiring an informal bidding process as listed in Table 4 from funding utilization letter dated 5-14-18. 5. Approval to

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. It was moved by N. Rogers, seconded by J. Markum to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 17, 2018. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, N.Rogers-Aye, M. Marin-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1. Roy Belli wanted to know when the city must have a budget. Tracy Smith stated that we must have a least a preliminary budget by June 30, 2018, but stated she will have to have help. Steve Gross-City Attorney stated that maybe the City could contact Portola to see who they contract out to.
- 2. Eileen Benson asked what the cost of Councilmen Rogers resignation cost the city. Steve Gross-City Attorney stated that the cost was \$2,890.00. He did state that nothing like this had ever happen and he did a lot of work to straighten this out.
- 3. Bill Copren from the Sierra County Fire Protection District met with LAFCO to discuss the issue of fire protection. It was decided to hire a technical specialist to get through the annexation process. He state there will be a cost for this process. The next LAFCO meeting will be on May 29, 2018 here in Loyalton. John Evans wanted to know how long this would take. B. Copren stated it may be awhile

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

1. Assistant Fire Chief Robert DeMartini gave a report to the council. He stated that the Spaghetti Fund raiser was a success and thanked the community for their support. He stated that they have had 49 calls this month, 90% medical. He stated that the Fire Department is looking for water tender. Captain John Evans reported that they are working with the Forest Service on Wild land Fire training. Assistant R. DeMartini would like the community to make sure brush and vegetation around property is cleared away as we may have a high fire danger this summer.

FINANCIAL REPORT

None

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved by M. Marin, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the financial report as presented to the council on 5-15-18. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

It was moved by M. Marin, seconded by N. Rogers to pay the bills not to exceed \$145,367.75. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

waive the City Code competitive bidding requirements from section 4.04.040 Purchase of Goods of \$5000.00 or more and approve the purchase of material listed in Table 5 from 5-14-18 funding utilization letter. 6. Approval to surplus the two existing deteriorated backhoes through the City Process. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

- 2. Mayor Marin addressed the council and public stating that he has spoken to several people regarding the problem with the pig enclosure on 705 Beckwith Street; he stated he is hoping to come up with a solution to the problem. Allison Gunier then addressed the council on the history regarding her daughter's involvement with 4-H and the problems that have persisted with Ms. Markum, she presented the council with extensive back ground materials supporting her dilemma with the pig enclosure and Ms. Markum. Carrie O'Riley represented the 4-H organization stating that she has been working with Ms. Gunier and would like to see the problem resolved in the best way possible. After a lengthy and heated discussion, Council Markum would like the special use permits come before the council for a public hearing. Deputy City Clerk will add to the next agenda.
- 3. After a brief discussion on the additional credit cards it was moved by Mayor Marin, seconded by J. Markum to have Deputy City Clerk order two additional credit cards one for John Evans and one for Robert DeMartini. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- 4. It was moved by Mayor Marin, seconded by N. Rogers to adopt resolution 4-2018 Sierra County Regional Agency Integrated Waste Management Plan and Environmental Document. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- 5. It was moved by N. Rogers, seconded by J. Markum to approve the Cyber Policy issued by SCORE. Roll Call: M. Marin-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, J. Markum-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.
- **6.** Steve Gross- City Attorney addressed the issue of releasing the Attorney Statement (bill) he stated that if a member of the community requested to see the bill then it <u>has to be</u> provided.

Meeting Adjourned

APPROVED:

Mayor Mark Marin

ATTEST:

Kathy LeBlanc, Deputy City Clerk