

July 18, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Mayor Mark Marin on July 18, 2017 at 6:00pm at the Loyalton Social Hall.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

M. Marin, K. Gallegos, J. VanDaam, N. Rogers (as corrected)

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

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

GUESTS PRESENT

K. Graves, J. Buck, D. Yegge, P. Roen, J. Markum, E. Benson, Roy Belli, M. Lombardi, , M. Funk, B. Funk, J. Gullixson, B. Mitchell, D. Russell, D. Goicoechea, E. Teague, Ray Belli, P. Huebner, T. Beals, L. Horner, J. Markum, C. VanDaam, M. Funk, C. Russell, L. Ryan, B. Funk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(1 attachment) Mayor Marin announced that Item # 1 on the agenda should read 2 wells instead of three and one well house. It was moved by J. VanDaam, seconded by K. Gallegos to approve the agenda as amended. Roll Call Vote: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, M. Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Mayor Marin gave an update on the Verizon tower stating that the City is waiting on a watermark copy. Mayor Marin also addressed the public on the water valves on Main Street stating that the business owners can now turn on the water for themselves as the timers have been stolen on several occasion and it would cost the City \$80.00 to replace them. Mayor Marin gave a brief report on the settlement of the WWTP.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(1 attachments) It was moved by K. Gallegos, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the regular meeting on June 29, 2017. Roll Call: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. B. Mitchell requested that when the city crew mow or use the weed eater at the park to be careful around the trees.

2. J. Markum inquired how she could have an item put on the agenda, Deputy City Clerk K. LeBlanc stated to just bring it to City Hall and it would be added to the agenda. She also asked who the gentleman sitting with the council was and was told by Mayor Marin it was the City Attorney Steve Gross.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

None

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(1) It was moved by J.VanDaam, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the transfer of the WWTP Litigation Settlement Funds to MM account 4321. Roll Call Vote: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR USDA

None

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS

It was moved by K. Gallegos, seconded by J. VanDaam to approve the fund transfer for \$24,000 to account xxxxx0559 for payment of USDA loans July 2017. Roll Call Vote: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

It was moved by J.VanDaam, seconded by K. Gallegos to approve the USDA loan payment of \$202,343.13. Roll Call Vote: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

(1 attachment) Mayor Marin stated he has spoken with the auditors and the audit looks good, he then thanked K. Lombardi for all her hard work.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved by K. Gallegos, seconded by J. VanDaam to approve the financial report as presented. Roll Call Vote: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

(1 attachment) With no questions regarding the bills, It was moved by J. VanDaam, seconded by K. Gallegos to pay the bills not to exceed \$445,355.98. Roll Call Vote: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION

Mayor Marin announced that a meeting will be held with Larry Johnson and Paul Winklemen next Tuesday to address the problems at the WWTP.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. City Attorney Steve Gross addressed the council and public in regards to the two wells and one well house, he gave a brief history of the wells. Mayor Marin stated that it would be of great cost to the city to rehab the wells and stated that this seemed to be the best course of action. He also stated that the wells have been declared inactive from the State Water Resource. J. Gullixson addressed the council with a list of objections to the above mentioned item. He gave a brief report on his property. D. Goicoechea also gave a report of the history of the wells. City Attorney Mr. Gross then addressed Mr. Gullixson on his list of objections to the item. It was moved by K. Gallegos, seconded by J. VanDaam to surplus the two wells and one well house and to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with the property owner D. Goicoechea for the City to transfer ownership of the wells and well house to property owner. Roll Call: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.(as corrected)

2. (2 attachment) Councilmen Rogers stated that the amendment to the ordinance will change from a 14 day cutoff to a 72 hour cutoff for delinquent bills. It was move by K. Gallegos, seconded by J. VanDaam to adopt urgency ordinance NO 409. Roll Call: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

3. Mayor Marin informed the council that the Museum would like to use the city lawn mower. He has no problem with the usage but did stipulate that if the mower is damaged the museum must pay for it. He also requested that the mower is has fuel before it is returned. It was moved by K. Gallegos, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the usage of the mower with the stipulations. Roll Call: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

4. Deputy City Clerk informed the council that they need to fill the vacancy for LAFCO and SCORE left by B. Mitchell. J. VanDaam stated he will take the LAFCO vacancy and K. Gallagos will take the SCORE alternate vacancy. It was moved by J. VanDaam, seconded by N. Rogers to approve J. VanDaam for LAFCO and K. Gallegos for SCORE alternate. Roll Call: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

5. Mayor Marin stated that prior council had modified the Holiday Schedule and the current council will be looking into changing it. After a brief discussion it was moved by J. VanDaam, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the holiday pay for July 3, 2017. Roll Call: J. VanDaam-Aye, K. Gallegos-Aye, N. Rogers-Aye, Mayor Marin-Aye. Motion carried.

6. (1 attachments) It was moved by K. Gallegos, seconded by J. VanDaam to approve the appointment of Kate Graves to the position of City Clerk. Deputy City Clerk K. LeBlanc then administered the Oath of Office to Kate Graves.

Meeting Adjourned

APPROVED: 

Mayor Mark Marin

ATTEST: 

Kathy Leblanc, Deputy City Clerk