

August 15th, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Mayor J. Gerow on August 15th, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Loyalton City Auditorium

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor J. Gerow, D. Riede, J. Markum, D. Gayner

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

City Clerk- Kathy LeBlanc

GUESTS PRESENT

P. DeMartini, R. DeMartini, J. Buck, T. Easley, L. Easley, B. Mertton, C. Johnson, L. Horner, N. Rogers, L. Garza, J. Cameron, S. McIlravery, S. Heywood

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Riede to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. It was moved by D. Riede, seconded by D. Gayner to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 18th, 2023. Motion unanimously carried.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

1. A Letter was received by LeTina Vanetti in regard to a place do conduct the Drive-Thru Mass Vaccination Clinic. After a discussion it was decided to use the Loyalton Fire Department Parking lot. Assistant Chief DeMartini will coordinate with LeTina Vanetti.
2. City Clerk reported to the council on the Payment Plan for our insurance. Councilmember Markum will contact G. Morris in regard to the payment plan.

ACCEPTION OF RESIGNATION LETTER FROM SARAH JACKSON

It was moved by D. Gayner, seconded by J. Markum to accept resignation from Sarah Jackson. Motion unanimously carried.

APPOINTMENT TO FILL VACANCY ON CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Gerow announced that the city has received interest from the following people, Bill Mertton, Nancy Rogers, and John Eberhart. It was moved by D. Gayner, seconded by J. Markum to appoint Bill Mertton to fill vacancy. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, D. Riede-Aye, D. Gayner-Aye, Mayor Gerow-No. Motion carried. City Clerk LeBlanc then swore in Bill Mertton to the Loyalton City Council, and he took his seat.

APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR AND VICE-MAYOR

It was moved by D. Riede, seconded by J. Markum to appoint J. Gerow as Mayor. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, D. Gayner-Aye, D. Riede-Aye, J. Gerow-Aye, B. Mertton-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

It was moved by D. Gayner, seconded by J. Markum to appoint D. Riede to Vice-Mayor. Roll Call: J. Markum-Aye, D. Gayner-Aye, D. Riede-Aye, B. Mertton-Aye, Mayor Gerow-Aye. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

C. Johson inquired about the cell tower. No contract yet

R. DeMartini inquired about the Belli/VanDaam water project. No engineering contract yet.

R. DeMartini thanked Mayor Gerow for cleaning up at park.

P. DeMartini inquired about the web site.

L. Horner inquired about the Belli/VanDaam project.

S. McIravey would like to have the City replace the stop sign at the corner of Third and Church Street.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Heywood stating that the new truck is in service, and that the Loyalton Fire Department will be returning the truck that was a government lease. Chief Heywood expressed his concern on the weed problem at the trailer park. He would like to see if the county can send a letter to get the weeds cut down. Assistant Chief R. DeMartini reported that they have had 131 calls so far this year. He reminded the community that we are not out of fire season yet and to remain vigilant. He reported that wildlife training for the department takes place every Wednesday. P. DeMartini inquired about the transfer of funds for the Fire Department. (This item will be added to the next agenda.)

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT/UPDATE

No Finance Report was given due to Audit preparation.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS.

1. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Gayner to approve fund transfer from General 1956 to Enterprise Loan MM 0559 not to exceed \$24,000. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION

1. Councilmember Riede reported that the crew is doing maintenance downtown. She reported that she has applied for grant monies to get a new truck for Maintenance. Councilmember Riede stated that a tree downtown has a fungus. She would like to look into what kind of pesticides that the City can use.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. Mayor Jackson gave a brief update on the water distribution system, after a brief discussion It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Gayner to reaffirm our State of Emergency Water Distribution System. Motion unanimously carried. (This item will be added to next agenda)
2. Councilmember J. Markum would like to keep S. Jackson on the ad-hock committee. It was moved by D. Gayner, seconded by J. Markum to keep S. Jackson on the ad-hock committee. Motion unanimously carried. She stated that Representative Kiley is planning on attending the next town hall meeting. Councilmember Gayner gave a brief report on the USDA appropriation bill. Councilmember Markum thanked the committee for all their work. The next meeting is planned for September 5th, 2023 (This item will be added to the next agenda)
3. It was moved by D. Gayner, seconded by J. Markum to approve the Business License for Summit Line Construction, Inc. Motion unanimously carried.

INPUT FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Appointment of Committee's and Boards.
2. Fire Department update.
3. Aged Balances

CLOSING REMARKS

None

Meeting Adjourned

APPROVED:


Vice-Mayor Darlene Riede

ATTEST:



Kathy LeBlanc, City Clerk