

February 16th, 2021

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Vice-Mayor S. Jackson on February 16th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Loyalton City Auditorium

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Vice-Mayor S. Jackson, N. Rogers, J. Markum, D. Riede,

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

B. Mitchell

STAFF PRESENT

City Clerk- Kathy LeBlanc, Bookkeeper- Jamie Stockdale

GUESTS PRESENT

J. Mertton, B. Mertton, S. Heywood, C. Smith, J. Buck, J. Freeto, R. DeMartini, P. DeMartini, S. Dryden, G. Price, W. Price

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Cindy Smith addressed the council on putting up banners for the Loyalton High Seniors on the light post. After a brief discussion, It was moved by D. Riede, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the banners. Motion carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. It was moved by D. Riede, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 19th, 2021. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

TIMED ITEM 6:30 PUBLIC HEARING HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE

Gary Price reported to the council on the Housing Element and Staff Report. He stated that the draft has been circulated and that the State has approved the funding for the Housing Element and we are just waiting on the Grant agreement. He also spoke on the Regional needs allocation, low income housing, flood plain and the zoning code which will be incorporated into the Housing Element. He stated that he has been in contact with the City Attorney for his legal review which should cost the City around \$2,000.00. Vice-Mayor Jackson opened the Public Hearing on the Housing Element for Public comments, the following comment were heard:

1. P. Demartini had a question on the low income housing area which could be used for Low Income Housing.
2. J. Freeto question the flood Mitigation and stated that the area has flooded in the past.
3. J. Mertton would like to have a larger map of the Land Use .

After hearing no more comments Vice-Mayor Jackson closed the Public Hearing. It was then moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the cost for the legal review with our attorney. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Haywood reported to the council on acquiring a brush engine and the need for turn outs and pagers which are agenized items.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

1. After a brief discussion regarding the Financial Policy for the Fire Department and with the changes that Vice-Mayor Jacks on will make, It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the Financial Policy for the Fire Department. Motion carried.
2. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Riede to approve the purchase of the surplus Brush Engine. Motion carried.
3. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the purchase of Pagers for the Fire Department not to exceed \$4,500. Motion carried.
4. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the purchase of Turn-Outs for the Fire Department not to exceed \$4,000. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT/UPDATE

S. Jackson reported that the Finance Committee met with Bookkeeping Staff and scheduled a Finance Meeting for the second Tuesday of every month.

1. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the reconciled Accounts for January 2021. Motion carried.
2. After a brief discussion, It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Riede N. Rogers to approve the bill sheet not to exceed \$49,254.30. Motion carried.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS

1. It was moved by D. Riede, seconded by N. Rogers to approve the fund transfer from General 1956 to Enterprise MM 0559 not to exceed \$24,000. Motion carried.
2. It was moved by D. Riede, seconded by N. Rogers to approved transfer from WWTP Settlement 4387 to General 1956 for Farr West Clean-Up and Abatement Order-Phase 2 #5 not to exceed \$2,372.75. Motion carried.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR USDA

None

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION

1. Councilmember Rogers reported that the water pump for the Ford has to be replaced.
2. Councilmember Riede reported that the Motion Light and the new heater have been installed at the Social Hall.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice-Mayor Jackson reported that over 800 vaccines have been given. She also reported that the Health Department will be paying \$900.00 per month for the use of the Social Hall for COVID.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. A zoom presentation was given by Aaron Whitfield and Rich Green from Plumas Sierra Telecommunications in regard to Broadband services in Loyalton. No action required.
2. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to advertise for a maintenance worker. Motion carried.
3. After a brief discussion it was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to award the 6th and 7th Richard Meder awards to the Loyalton Thrift Store and the Loyalton Museum Volunteers. Motion carried.
4. After a brief discussion on the repairs to the Dodge pickup it was decided by consensus of the council that all repairs must be approved prior to repair being done.
5. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to remove Jillian Freeto from all Plumas Bank Accounts. Motion carried.
6. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by N. Rogers to obtain a list of temporary part-time employee(s) for snow removal. Motion carried.
7. It was moved by J. Markum, seconded by D. Riede to approve the RFP form. Councilmember Rogers opposed. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice-Mayor Jackson adjourned the meeting to go into closed session. Vice-Mayor Jackson reconvened the meeting with the following action reported: 1. Employee Performance Evaluation were accepted and approved. 2. Pay rate was approved.

INPUT FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

None

CLOSING REMARKS

None

Meeting Adjourned

APPROVED:


Vice Mayor Jackson

ATTEST:



Kathy LeBlanc, City Clerk