

March 19th, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular meeting of the Loyalton City Council was called to order by Mayor Riede on March 19th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Loyalton City Auditorium

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Riede, J. Markum, B. Mertton, S. McIlravy

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

City Clerk- Kathy LeBlanc

GUESTS PRESENT

J. Buck, J. Gerow, L. Horner, N. Rogers, L. Garza, D. McCoy, G. Clark, C. Johnson, Jedidia Espania, Jeremy Espania

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Markum announced that the Verizon Tower is starting construction. Mayor Riede gave a brief update on AT&T landlines being discontinued.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. It was moved by S. McIlravy, seconded by B. Mertton to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on March 6, 2024. Motion carried.
2. It was moved by S, McIlravy, seconded by B. Mertton to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 20, 2024. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS/WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Councilmember Mertton read a letter from Lee May in regard to trim a tree on Railroad. After a brief discussion it was approved by consensus to allow Mr. May to trim the tree at no cost to the city.
2. Mayor Riede reported on the Influent Pump needed at the WWTP. After a discussion this will be added to the next agenda.
3. Councilmember Markum reported on an easement for Liberty Utility for the Verizon project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Jedidia Espania addressed the council on his eagle scout project. He would like to place a box in City Hall where old flags could be placed and then disposed of properly. It was approved by consensus of the council to approve this project.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

No Report was given by the Fire Department.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT/UPDATE

Councilmember Mertton gave a brief report on the bookkeeping format stating that the council is looking for someone to fix books. The Council will approach K. Champion to see if she can assist the city.

1. After a brief discussion the reconciled accounts for January, February and March will be moved to the next agenda.
2. After a brief discussion the bill sheets for December 2023, January 2024 and February 2024 will be moved to the next agenda.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF APPROVAL OF FUNDS TRANSFERS.

1. Mayor Riede announced that she would like to stop the transfer of the \$6000.00 to the MM Account for 1 month and keep it in the General Account. After a discussion it was moved by J. Markum, seconded by B. Mertton to stop transfer from the General to the MM account for 4 weeks. Roll Call: Mayor Riede-Aye, J. Markum-Aye, B. Mertton-Aye, S. McIlravy-Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORTS/PARK AND RECREATION

1. Councilmember Mertton reported on streetlights that need to be fixed.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. None.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

1. Mayor Riede gave a brief update on the water distribution system, after a brief discussion it was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to reaffirm our State of Emergency Water Distribution System. Motion unanimously carried. (This item will be added to next agenda)
2. Doug McCoy addressed the Council on the Appropriation bill and confirmed that the City of Loyaltan will be receiving the 2 million for the water infrastructure. After a brief discussion the council thanked Mr. McCoy for all his help with this project. (This item will be added to the next agenda)
3. This item was covered under the finance report
4. Mayor Riede announced that the city received 3 bids for the Belli/Vandaam project. The bids were as follows: RDC \$399,488.00, Phebus Engineering \$499,010.00, McGarr Excavation \$592,311.00. After a brief discussion it was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to accept the bid from RCD in the amount of \$399,488.00. Motion carried.

5. After a brief discussion it was moved by J. Markum, seconded by S. McIlravy to approve the Annual Progress Report on the Implementation of the General Plan Housing Element. Motion carried.
6. City Clerk LeBlanc requested names for the 10th Annual Richard Meder Award. The nominees that were suggested were Joe Dines, Jake Marsh and Wendy Bergstrom. This will be added to the next agenda for nominee.

INPUT FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Richard Meder Award
2. Property Clean-up
3. Bill sheet for December 2023, January, and February 2024

CLOSING REMARKS

Meeting Adjourned

ATTEST:



Kathy LeBlanc, City Clerk

APPROVED:



Mayor Darlene Riede