

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 23, 2016

A. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Trulove called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call – Excused Absences Councilmembers present included Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Nixon, Councilmember Grover, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, and Councilmember Taves. Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, Mr. Schwartz, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Hensley, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Winters, Mr. Boorman, Ms. Cooper, Mr. Eastep, Ms. Munoz, Mr. English, Mr. Conley, Mr. Bailey, Mr. J. Anderson, Mr. Munoz, and Mr. Johnson. Mayor Trulove stated that he will be gone March 8 and Councilmember Overhauser will be Mayor Pro Tem.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of February 9, 2016 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 131083 through 131171 in the amount of \$745,767.93 were approved as read. Of that amount, \$382.25 is for 2015.

E. Claims for Damages None

F. Small Contracts None

G. Information Items Mr. Hensley presented Sergeant Chad Eastep with the Medal of Valor. The National Chiefs of Police awarded Sergeant Eastep the medal for his heroic actions during a fire in December 2015.

H. Appointments Mayor Trulove appointed Rick Mount to the Planning Commission. Councilmember Overhauser moved to confirm the appointment. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried unanimously.

I. Citizen Comments None

J. Action Items

1. 16-025 – Resolution E-382 – Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application Mr. Winters stated that this application is for the replacement of self-contained breathing apparatus. They come to the end of their serviceable life in 2018. The total cost of the equipment is \$156,816. A 5% match is required. Councilmember Weiszmann moved for approval of Resolution E-382. Councilmember Grover seconded. Carried unanimously.

2. 16-026 – Resolution E-383 – 2016 Line Clearance Contract Amendment Mr. Boorman stated that this is the third year we will use American Utility and Residential Tree Service. They have done a great job for us. Councilmember Taves moved for passage of Resolution E-383. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

3. 16-027 – Resolution E-384 – Washington Street Preservation Project Consultant Agreement Mr. Ableman stated that this is the consultant engineering agreement. Our match is 13.5%. Councilmember Taves moved for passage of Resolution E-384. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 16-019 – Ordinance W-83 – Vacation of a Portion of Fern Street Right-of-Way in Callaway’s Addition East 1882 Mr. Ableman stated that we have not received any comments since last meeting where we had the public hearing. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the second reading of Ordinance W-83 in title and summary form only, that reading considered the third, and that it be placed before Council for final passage. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried with Councilmember Hilton abstaining. Yes votes: Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Nixon, Councilmember Grover, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Taves. Councilmember Hilton abstained. Ordinance W-83 passed.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Ableman stated that Cheney Clean Sweep is April 16. Mr. Schuller congratulated EWU basketball player Hayley Hodgins for breaking the career scoring record.

L. Mayor’s Report Mayor Trulove stated that Councilmember Weiszmann just received her Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities.

M. Council Reports Councilmember Taves stated that the Cheney Depot Society has a library exhibit through February 29. There will be a talk and telegraph display on February 27 at 2 p.m. He spoke with Becky Kramer from the Spokesman Review about quiet zones. There will be an article in the paper.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Taves moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Grover seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor