

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 27, 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 Nixon, Councilmember Grover, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, and Councilmember Taves. Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Mr. Schwartz, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Hensley, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Boorman, Ms. Cooper, Mr. Munoz, and Mr. Dennstaedt. Councilmember Taves moved to excuse Councilmember Overhauser. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried unanimously.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of September 13, 2016 were approved as distributed. Minutes of the Special City Council meeting of September 19, 2016 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 136365, 136388, and 136428 through 136519 in the amount of \$668,592.80 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages None

F. Small Contracts The small contracts were previously approved.

G. Information Items Mayor Trulove introduced Catherine Nero-Lowry and Tami Chapman from the Spokane County Library District. Ms. Nero-Lowry and Ms. Chapman provided a State of the Library presentation.

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments None

J. Action Items

1. 16-090 – Resolution E-436 – Interlocal Agreement for Ambulance Service Mr. Schuller stated that this is an agreement with AMR. They are the only option right now. This keeps the current ambulance rate. There is new language about a CPI increase after the first year. We will need to look at other options in the future. Response times can be very slow. We will use the Ambulance Service Board to try to address some of the shortcomings. Councilmember Grover moved for passage of Resolution E-436. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried unanimously.

2. 16-091 – Resolution E-435 – Approving Final Plat of Harvest Bluff Phase III Application L-16-012-FP Mr. Ableman stated that we received an application for the final plat of Harvest Bluff Phase III. There are 37 lots in this phase. Councilmember Weiszmann moved for approval of Resolution E-435. Councilmember Grover seconded. Carried unanimously.

3. 16-093 – Resolution E-438 – AT&T Lease Amendment #1 Mr. Ableman stated that this is a renegotiated lease with AT&T. It was reviewed by Mr. Schwartz. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-438. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 16-094 – Resolution E-439 – Support of Spokane Transit Authority Ballot Proposition 1 Mayor Trulove stated that this supports the STA Moving Forward Plan. He explained the STA ballot proposition and stated that the most significant improvement for Cheney is the West Plains transit center. The transit center would allow direct service between West Plains cities. Mayor Trulove asked if anyone wanted to present an opposing point of view. There were no comments from the public. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-349. Councilmember Nixon seconded. Carried unanimously.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Schuller stated that EWU is back in session and the students create work for a lot of our departments. Mr. Hensley stated that there were 46 auto thefts and 25 vehicle break ins between May and August. During those break ins, there were ten firearms stolen out of the vehicles. They arrested two suspects on August 26, one on August 30, and a fourth on September 23. All four are career criminals and are Cheney

residents. There were no vehicle thefts while these people were incarcerated. We believe they were responsible for the vast majority of the crimes that occurred. He is hoping to reach out to the Easterner to let the students know they need to find another way to secure their guns rather than in their vehicle. Mayor Trulove stated that he appreciates the effort the officers put into this. Mr. Ableman stated that the transportation projects will be completed in the next week.

L. Mayor's Report Mayor Trulove thanked everyone for the time spent on the budget so far. He is still accepting ideas as they come up. He and Mr. Schuller will be meeting with department heads soon. He stated that he has been asked to join the Board of Directors for Greater Spokane Inc.

M. Council Reports Councilmember Weiszmann congratulated Mr. Hensley and Mr. Ableman for doing a great job. Councilmember Gaard commended Mr. Hensley and the firefighters on the work they are doing. Councilmember Taves stated that Mr. Dennstaedt and Mr. Munoz were the firefighters that attended the Wildland Fire discussion at the library. Both contributed significantly to that presentation.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Weiszmann moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Grover seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor