

MOSES LAKE CITY COUNCIL  
June 11, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Moses Lake City Council was called to order at 7 p.m. by Mayor Liebrecht in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 401 S. Balsam St., Moses Lake, Washington.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Liebrecht; Deputy Mayor Curnel; Council Members Jackson, Myers, Riggs, and Hankins. Absent: Council Member Leonard.

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Curnel moved to excuse Council Member Leonard, second by Council Member Myers. The motion carried 6 – 0.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Planning Commissioner David Eck led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**SUMMARY REPORTS:**

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Moses Lake Airshow

Council wore matching shirts they received from the Port of Moses Lake in celebration of the first Airshow being held this Thursday and Friday at Grant County International Airport. This is one of many events this year that received Lodging Tax Funding.

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Governance Manual and Grant County Economic Development Committee

Council Members Jackson and Hankins requested staff to schedule a study session to update the 2016 Governance Manual and also consider the City's representation on the Grant County Economic Development Committee going back to Council vs. the staff assignment that has been made the last few years.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

New and Promoted City Employees

Human Resources Director Carlos Salazar introduced Kerri Fenner, former Accounts Payable Clerk as well as other positions with the City, who has accepted the Human Resources Coordinator position.

Planning Manager RJ Lott introduced Kris Robbins who has been promoted from Associate Planner to Senior Planner.

Finance Director Cindy Jensen introduced Brittany Sybert, former Utility Clerk, who has accepted the Business License Clerk position. She announced that Robin Dukart has been the temporary Payroll Specialist and has accepted the position full-time. She also announced a new of hire Meri Jane Bohn who will fill the Utility Clerk position.

Municipal Services Director Fred Snoderly announced that Dave Thompson, Development Engineer Tech III, will retire next Friday after 31 years of service with the City. Rob Harris, former Development Engineer Tech II and who has been with the city for 26 years, has accepted a promotion to Engineer Tech III. Native resident Jason Grubb has accepted the Engineer Tech II position. Franklin Ridgeway was hired in November 2018 as a Wastewater Operator III. Wastewater Operator-in-Training Alex Morton and Custodian Shanda Creiglow were also hired last November. Gary Vela and Travis Mohs were hired as Wastewater and Water Operators-in-Training in January and March respectively. Jamie Lamb was promoted to Wastewater Division Foremen-Collection in March.

Kiwanis Cowboy Breakfast

The group has requested a waiver of the 10% concession fee for vending in the Parks since 100% of their proceeds go into local community programs.

Action taken: Mayor Liebrecht moved to waive the 10% fee for the Cowboy Breakfast, second by Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Agenda Addition

There will be an Executive Session at the end of the meeting pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss litigation.

**CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION**

Moses Lake Airshow

Terry Quick, 15913 20<sup>th</sup> Pl W, Lynwood, Visit Washington Executive Director, received a lodging tax contribution from the city for this new local event. Mr. Quick shared the statistics for social media and radio advertisements of the event as well as anticipated bed nights to be generated at local hotels.

REC Closure

Elisia Dalluge, 310 Loring, Moses Lake, thanked Deputy Mayor Curnel for his comments on May 14 regarding the closure of REC. She has been in contact with state and federal officials to request funding assistance for the City should it be needed.

**PRESENTATION**

Grant County Airport Clean Up

EPA Project Manager Brad Martin provided a brief history of the activities being taken to monitor and clean up the contaminated groundwater and aquifer which started in the early 1990's. The project also has ongoing outreach to fund private drinking water filtration systems for sites that meet a certain level of impact. He extended an invitation to Council and staff to visit the site of a filtration system that is currently under construction at the intersection of Owens and Loring.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **#1 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Resolution 3765**

The City is required to annually adopt a Six-Year TIP. The TIP is then submitted to regional, state, and federal planning organizations to form lists of transportation needs. Mayor Liebrecht opened the hearing at 7:45 p.m., no comments were received and the hearing was closed. 15 projects were presented in the 2020-2025 TIP.

Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to adopt Resolution 3765 as presented, second by Deputy Mayor Curnel. The motion carried 6 – 0.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- #2**
- a. City Council meeting minutes dated May 23 and 28, 2019
  - b. Claims in the amount of \$1,162,123.84; claim checks in the amount of \$765,025.57; prepaid claim checks in the amount of \$1,221.87
  - c. Award Operation Storage Area HMA Bid
  - d. Award Sand Dunes Well Phase 2 Bid
  - e. Lakeshore Drive Archaeological Monitoring Contract

Action taken: Deputy Mayor Curnel moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Council Member Jackson. The motion carried 6 – 0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **#3 Sparks Lot A4B Annexation Ordinance 2926**

A first presentation and public hearing occurred on May 28. The ordinance annexes property located at the southeast city limit near I-90.

Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to adopt Ordinance 2926, second by Council Member Myers. The motion carried 6 – 0.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Police Chief Kevin Fuhr distributed photos at the meeting showing the former and like images of a new armored vehicle with a generous grant in the amount of \$180k from the Paul Lauzier Foundation. The City will be soliciting partnerships for the funding gap in purchasing the new vehicle from the regional SWAT unit.

## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS – no action taken.**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Liebrecht called an Executive Session at 7:52 p.m. to be held for 20 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss litigation and there will be action to follow.

The meeting reconvened at 8:16 p.m.

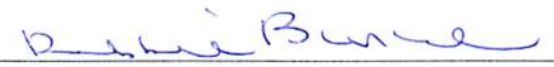
Action taken: Council Member Jackson moved to approve the settlement agreement and release between the City of Moses Lake and John Williams and to the authority to the Mayor to execute the same, second by Council Member Myers. The motion carried 6 – 0.

Action taken: Mayor Liebrecht moved to increase the monthly salary to Police Chief Fuhr by \$5,351.38 per month retroactive to May 2, 2019, second by Council Member Myers. The motion carried 6 – 0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

  
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Karen Liebrecht, Mayor

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Debbie Burke, City Clerk