

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 18, 2019**

The Winnemucca City Council met in regular session on Tuesday June 18, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall meeting room. Present: Mayor Richard Stone; Council members Mike Owens, Theresa Mavity, Vince Mendiola, and Jim Billingsley; and, City Manager/Engineer Alicia Heiser, City Attorney Kent Maher and City Clerk Lorrie Haaglund. Absent: Council member Paige Brooks.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Stone called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-PERSONAL COMMUNICATION-CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no public comment, personal communication or correspondence.

**MINUTES:**

The May 28, 2019 special City Council meeting minutes were reviewed and Council member Mavity moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

The June 4, 2019 regular City Council meeting minutes were reviewed and Council member Owens moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

**WARRANTS-EXPENSES:**

The payments for warrants and expense reports were reviewed and Council member Mavity moved for approval as submitted. Motion carried unanimously with Council member Owens abstaining from voting on a reimbursement warrant payable to him.

**PROCLAMATIONS-AWARDS-PRESENTATIONS:**

There were no proclamations, awards or presentations.

**BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**BUSINESS IMPACT DETERMINATION**

After review and consideration of the effect each item could potentially have on a “business,” as the term is defined by statute, the Council agreed and Council member Owens moved to make a finding that no item on the agenda appears to impose a direct and significant economic burden on a business or appears to directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business. Motion carried unanimously.

**STREET CLOSURE REQUEST / SILVER STATE INTERNATIONAL RODEO PARADE**

Barb Stanton, Silver State International Rodeo (SSIR) representative, requested closure of Winnemucca Blvd from the Model T to East Winnemucca Blvd, East Winnemucca Blvd from Winnemucca Blvd to Fairgrounds Road, and Fairgrounds Road from East Winnemucca Blvd to the Fairgrounds for the annual rodeo parade beginning at 10:00 a.m. Thursday July 4, 2019 and ending when the parade concludes. Stanton said they are anticipating approximately 40 entries and reminded everyone this is a “wet” parade. Council member Mendiola moved to approve the Silver State International Rodeo street closure request as presented for the annual parade

beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending when the parade concludes on Thursday July 4, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

### **CITY FACILITIES USE-FEE WAIVER REQUEST / GOLD RUSH YOUTH SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT / ENTWISTLE-BENGOCHEA**

Erin Entwistle and Nicole Bengochea, representing the Gold Rush Youth Softball League, requested the use of the City sports complex and a fee waiver for the Gold Rush Youth Softball Tournament on June 28-29, 2019. This is a sanctioned All Worlds fast-pitch event that brings 20 plus youth teams to the area along with their families for the weekend. No camping signs will be posted Thursday night. Bengochea commented that the cleaning of the bathrooms, stocking them with supplies and taking care of the garbage receptacles will be the responsibility of Winnemucca Gold Rush organization. The League wants to be a good host. Council member Billingsley moved to approve the use of the sports complex and fee waiver for the Gold Rush Youth Softball Tournament on June 28-29, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

### **CITY STREETS-PARKS USE REQUEST / NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT / HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Kathi Wolfsteller and Sean Wilkin, representing Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, requested: (i) the closure of Mizpah Street near Vesco Park and the HGH Ambulance building; (ii) use of Vesco Park on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the National Night Out event; and, (iii) use of City road closure signs and cones. Council member Mendiola moved to approve the road closure of Mizpah Street near Vesco Park and the HGH Ambulance building, use of Vesco Park on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and use of the City signs and cones as requested for the 5th annual National Night Out event. Motion carried unanimously.

### **RIVERVIEW PARK USE REQUEST / FARMER'S MARKET EVENT**

Kari Miller, representing the Winnemucca Farmer's Market Group, requested use of Riverview Park every Saturday from June 15, 2019 through October 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for a farmer's market. Council member Owens moved to approve the use of Riverview Park for a farmer's market every Saturday from June 15, 2019 to October 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

### **HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION MEMBERS RE-APPOINTMENT / TOTH-STUDEBAKER**

Mayor Stone commented that the terms of Dana Toth and Jane Studebaker on the Historic Resources Commission end June 30, 2019 and he has reappointed both because they expressed interest in continuing to serve on the Commission. Council member Billingsley moved to confirm the Mayor reappointments of Dana Toth and Jane Studebaker to the Historic Resources Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

### **LIABILITY-WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE RENEWAL PROPOSALS / NEVADA PUBLIC AGENCY INSURANCE POOL (POOL)-PUBLIC AGENCY COMPENSATION TRUST (PACT) / A&H INSURANCE-POOL-PACT**

Marianne Dente and Scott Rottman, representing A & H Insurance, and Stephen Romero, representing Willis RePooling on behalf of POOL-PACT, presented the fiscal year 2019-2020 policy renewal proposals for the liability insurance program and the workers compensation insurance program. Dente commented there were no changes to: the \$1,000 maintenance deductible; property limits; and, the liability limits which includes auto, general, personal injury,

employment practices, law enforcement and wrongful acts. The premium is \$185,887.75, which is a 7.3% increase from last year due to catastrophic events that have occurred nationwide. Council member Mendiola moved to accept the policies and premiums as presented and to authorize payment from the FY 2019-2020 budget. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **SUPPORT LETTER REQUEST / SSR MINING MARIGOLD MINE EXPANSION**

City Manager Heiser commented that Marigold Mine has recently published a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Mackay Optimization expansion project and is requesting from the City a letter of support to help the BLM understand that Marigold is a good community partner. Council member Owens moved to approve the letter of support for SSR Mining Marigold Mine as presented by staff. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **2019-2020 RECREATION FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT / BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

City Manager Heiser commented that there are no proposed changes to the Boys & Girls Club recreation facilities director services agreement for the upcoming fiscal year. Chad Peters, Executive Director of the Winnemucca Boys & Girls Club, said the agreement is a good thing for the club. Council member Billingsley moved to approve the FY 2019-2020 recreation facilities director services agreement with the Winnemucca Boys & Girls Club as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **2019-2020 WASHOE COUNTY CRIME LAB FORENSIC SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT / WASHOE COUNTY-WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF**

Police Chief Dalley said this agreement is for crime lab testing, analysis, and investigation services. It is the same type of agreement which has been used in the past. Dalley noted the agreement ensures the City costs are fixed in the event forensic services are necessary for an investigation. The fee for FY 2019-2020 is \$45,597. Council member Mavity moved to approve the FY 2019-2020 agreement with Washoe County-Washoe County Sheriff agreement for Washoe County Crime Lab forensic support services in the amount of \$45,597 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **2018-2019 GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT TRANSFERS**

City Manager Heiser commented that the proposed transfers from the contingency fund ensure that there is no potential state law violation for over-expending a function in the current year budget. The FY 2018-2019 General Fund budget is proposed to be amended to fund additional expenditures as follows: General Government (Administration) \$2,000; and, Public Safety \$105,000. Council member Owens moved to authorize the transfer of appropriations as presented and requested by staff. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **WELLNESS PROGRAM**

City Manager Heiser explained that several employees were interested in a wellness program, which will be patterned after a similar program implemented by Humboldt County where points are earned for completing various wellness activities. Participation is voluntary and tracking of activities is on an honor system. The proposal includes the following monetary incentives per quarter: \$150 for first place; \$75 for second place; and, a \$25 Chamber Check drawing which is

open to all participants. The annual cost will be \$1,000. Council member Owens commented the program should be tried for a year to see how many employees participate and to obtain feedback. Council member Billingsley moved to approve the City Wellness Program for a one-year period as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### **BODE HOWARD MEMORIAL POOL**

City Manager Heiser reported that POOL-PACT completed their inspection of the indoor swimming pool. The report mentions mostly safety items and offers suggestions for markings and signage. Overall, they thought the facility was in good shape for its age. Heiser will receive a final report which she will incorporate with her report to be presented at the July Council meeting.

### **STAFF-COUNCIL REPORTS**

City Manager Heiser reported: (i) the Railroad Springs project Plan of Development is acceptable to the BLM and the BLM Interdisciplinary Design Team will meet one more time before the project is approved for construction; (ii) permit applications have been submitted to Nevada Division of Water Resources and Nevada Division of Environmental Protection for the test well project which will be advertised for bids on June 22 and June 26, 2019 and may be awarded at the July 16, 2019 Council meeting; (iii) there are no updates on the Airport property acquisition project; and, (iv) the Alley sewer upgrade and the Second Street storm drain projects are held up waiting for the flood water to recede, but the project is considered construction in progress and will be funded from the FY 2018-2019 budget. Two bids were received for the Airport heavy aircraft apron expansion and reconstruction project; Q&D Construction bid \$2,930,164 and Road and Highway Builders bid \$5,222,222. Both bids are over the engineer's estimate and the project budget. The FAA increased funding to \$2.4M and Armstrong Consultants is considering how much of the project can be performed for \$2.4M. The increase in the FAA grant amount will increase the City share to \$25,000 which will be split between the City and the County

Council member Owens reported on the June Airport Board meeting and the interviews for the City Building Inspector.

Council member Mavity commented that because of the Humboldt River flooding the Arbor Day event is not going to be held today.

Council member Mendiola attended the Humboldt Foundation meeting.

Council member Billingsley attended the Humboldt Foundation meeting.

Police Chief Dalley reported: (i) Officer Cahill completed Phase I of the FTO program and will begin Phase II; (ii) Officer Villalobos will attend P.O.S.T. beginning July 22, 2019; and, (iii) Gerardo Covarrubias will be sworn in on June 24, 2019 and will be attending P.O.S.T. in July.

Chad Peters, Executive Director of the Winnemucca Boys & Girls Club, reported that the summer food program is underway and free lunch is provided in Vesco Park Monday through Friday to any persons 18 years of age or younger.

Mayor Stone commented that City Hall has fielded a lot of calls about the crickets. Stone attended the Chamber luncheon and interviewed with college students from Washington D.C. who are traveling cross country on the Amtrak Railroad and making a video.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Haaglund  
City Clerk

**PASSED AND ADOPTED:** July 16, 2019

**VOTE OF COUNCIL:**

**AYES:** Mavity, Mendiola, Billingsley, Brooks  
**NAYS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ABSTAIN:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ABSENT:** Owens

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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Richard Stone  
Mayor

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Lorrie Haaglund  
City Clerk