

**CITY OF PROSSER, WASHINGTON  
601 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Warden called the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Rainer, Elder, Everett, Taylor, Troemel, Hamilton, and Becken were present.

Others in attendance were City Clerk Shaw, Police Chief Giles, Finance Director Mauras, and City Attorney Saxton.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION** (None)

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Mayor Warden reported the opening day for the Prosser Aquatic Center was a huge success.

Mayor Warden also reported on the status of the no parking ordinance on Gap Road. Public Works Director L.J. DaCorsi will conduct a traffic study and report the findings to Council along with the draft ordinance for Council consideration at a future City Council meeting.

***Mid Columbia Library Quarterly Report***

Katy Meyers, Mid Columbia Library Prosser Branch Manager, provided an overview of the Library's second quarter report. Ms. Meyers discussed usage, popular services and the strategic plan. There was discussion regarding ebooks and digital online catalogs. Ms. Meyers thanked Police Chief Giles for providing extra patrols which has proven to be a good remedy against the vandalism.

Mayor Warden advised Finance Director Mauras provided Council with a handout to address Council's questions regarding accounts receivables late charges that were posed at the last Council meeting.

Mayor Warden reported that Police Chief Giles is working on bringing forward a No Trespass ordinance at a future City Council meeting for Council consideration.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Council Member Troemel had questions regarding the vendor Psychological Consultants. Police Chief Giles stated the costs were associated with the screening process for police officers. A motion was made by Council Member Hamilton, seconded by Council Member Taylor to approve Consent Agenda Items "A – E". Motion passed 7 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSENT.

- a. Approve Payment of Payroll Check Nos. 502563 through 502574 in the Amount of \$24,503.80 and Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$99,955.42 for the Period Ending May 31, 2013
- b. Approve Payment of Claim Checks Nos. 70836 through 70849 and 70851 through 70915, in the Amount of \$256,403.61, and Electronic Payment in the Amount of \$61,289.73 for the Period June May 11, 2013
- c. Accept Monthly Report by Prosser Economic Development Association for the Month of May 2013 and Authorize Payment for Those Services in the Amount of \$2,166.66
- d. Adopt Resolution 13-1425 Approving Master Contract Usage Agreement with the State of Washington Department of Enterprise Services and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Agreement
- e. Approval of an Agreement with the Boys and Girls Club for Use of the Prosser Aquatic Center and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Agreement

### **COUNCIL ACTION**

#### **APPROVE PAYMENT OF CLAIM CHECK NO. 70850 AND 70916 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,546.83, FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 11, 2013**

Council Member Hamilton recused himself due to a conflict of interest. A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Becken to approve payment of Claim Check No. 70850 and 70916 in the amount of \$2,546.83 for the period ending June 11, 2013. Motion passed 6 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSENT, 1 ABSENTATION (Hamilton).

### **ADD-ON ITEM**

#### **TEAMSTERS MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**

Mayor Warden explained an error occurred in payroll starting in January 2013, inadvertently providing members of Teamsters Local No. 839 with a 2% COLA wage increase. City Labor Advisor, Kevin Wesley worked with Teamsters to draft an MOA for Council consideration. The MOA acknowledges the 2% increase while agreeing that all issues including the 2% increase continue to be open for negotiations until an agreement has been reached on the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

A motion was made by Council Member Hamilton, seconded by Council Member Rainer to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Prosser and Teamsters Local No. 839 acknowledging that the 2% wage increase given in error is still under negotiation along with all other open items and authorize the Mayor to sign the MOA.

There was discussion regarding the language of the MOA.

Council Member Rainer withdrew his seconding of the motion.

Council Member Taylor stated the language in the MOA was not specific enough to address the issues.

Council Member Everett echoed Council Member Taylor's comments and stated he felt the MOA needed to be redrafted and brought back for consideration.

Council Member Hamilton withdrew his motion.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Rainer to authorize the Mayor to offer a 2% raise to the Police Bargaining Unit, effective January 1, 2013, as an extension to the last Collective Bargaining Agreement and the wage and all other open items are still under negotiation, effective until a new Collective Bargaining Agreement is signed by parties. Motion passed 5 YES, 2 NO (Everett, Becken), 0 ABSENT.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### STEEP SLOPE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

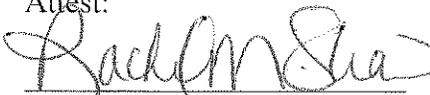
City Attorney Saxton explained Council requested staff to draft language into the proposed ordinance to address fugitive dust and other airborne particulate matter upon the development of property zoned Steep Slope Residential District (SSR). There was discussion regarding the two different proposed approaches. Council concurred, option number one, which makes all agricultural uses in the SSR subject to approval of a conditional use permit issued by the Prosser Board of Adjustment, was their choice. This would also require a public hearing and SEPA review before the City could issue the permit.

City Attorney Saxton stated staff will put the changes in ordinance format and will send to the Department of Commerce for expedited review. Once Commerce has completed their review it will go to the Planning Commission before coming back to City Council for consideration.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this time, the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Attest:

  
City Clerk Rachel Shaw



  
Mayor Paul Warden