

**CITY OF PROSSER, WASHINGTON
601 7TH STREET
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 26, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor 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 Everett, Troemel, Becken, Poteet. Mayor Warden, Council Member Chambers, and Council Member Rainer requested excused absences.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Sherry Harvey, 22904 S 1522 PR SW, thanked staff for the time and effort it takes to prepare the agendas and packets for the City Council meetings. Ms. Harvey appreciated having the information posted online to review prior to the City Council meetings.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Everett stated he had recently visited the Prosser Aquatic Center and it was great to see that it was so well attended with families. It's a fantastic facility that will serve our community in the years to come.

Council Member Troemel reported there are weeds along Bennett Avenue by Milne Fruit that needs to be addressed. He also inquired if the Police Department used Global Positioning System (GPS) mapping. Police Chief Pat McCullough advised the Prosser Police Department does not use that service however Southeast Communication (SECOMM) center which is where the Police Department receives information from, does use GPS services.

Council Member Becken reported on activity from the local Community Action Council (CAC). The CAC provides a low-income energy assistance program for members of the community in both Benton and Franklin Counties. The local CAC office services approximately 14% of all requests through the Prosser branch which includes the outlying areas of Prosser.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor reported he attended the Grand Opening for the Prosser Aquatic Center and thanked staff for putting together a great event.

Mayor Pro Tem Taylor administered the Oath of Office for Prosser Police Reserve Officer Clint Still.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Boys and Girls Club Update

Ron McHenry, Boys and Girls Club Executive Director reported on current activities and participation at the Prosser Branch for 2011. As of July, the Club served 275 kids and has had 18,498 visits. The Prosser Club has the highest attendance out of all Eastern Washington Clubs, and one of the highest number of summer attendees in the Pacific Northwest. Even at those high numbers, there are still a number of children on the waiting list. Staff is working on additional creative partnerships with other agencies in order to eliminate redundancy in areas and identifying ways to be more efficient. It has been a great year and looks forward to great things in the future.

PUBLIC HEARING

At 7:26 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Taylor recessed the Regular meeting of the Prosser City Council to conduct a Public Hearing regarding the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program 2012 - 2017. Mayor Pro Tem Taylor called for public comment. Mary Ruth Edwards stated her concerns with City funds being used to improve County roads. With no further public comment being received, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:27 p.m. and the Regular meeting was reconvened.

COUNCIL ACTION**RESOLUTION NO. 11-1358 ADOPTING THE CITY OF PROSSER SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2012-2017**

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Poteet to approve Resolution No. 11-1358 adopting the City of Prosser Six Year Transportation Improvement Program 2012-2017. Motion passed 4 YES, 1 NO (Becken), 2 ABSENT (Chambers, Rainer).

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Everett removed Item "C" from the Consent Agenda. A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Becken to approve Consent Agenda Items "A, B and D-F". Motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Chambers, Rainer).

- a. Approve Payment of Claim Check Nos. 67280 through 67340 in the Amount of \$459,383.05, DOR Electronic Payment in the Amount of \$15,826.70 and IRS Federal Tax Wires in the Amount of \$4,020.65, for the Period Ending July 26, 2011
- b. Approve Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2011
- d. Approve Progress Estimate No.3 in the Amount of \$270,659.01, for Work Performed by Premier Excavation, through June 30, 2011, on the Village Park Improvements Project
- e. Adopt Resolution No. 11-1359 Surplusing City of Prosser Property
- f. Approve the USDA Outlay Report and Draw Request for Reimbursement – No. 3, of USDA Funds (Interim Financing Draw) in an Amount of \$406,182.28 for Costs Incurred on the Northwest Prosser Water and Sewer System Improvements Project and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Request Documents

Council Member Everett stated he would like the minutes from July 12, 2011 City Council meeting amended to clarify the current cost to purchase iPads for the Mayor and Council is approximately \$4,000.00 total, not \$4,000.00 for each unit. He also requested the minutes be amended to consistently reflect Mayor Pro Tem Taylor rather than Mayor Warden.

- c. Approve Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2011

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Becken to approve Consent Agenda Item "C" as amended. Motion passed. 5 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Chambers, Rainer).

COUNCIL ACTION**APPROVE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PROSSER AND BASIN TREE SERVICE & PEST CONTROL, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,443.40, PLUS TAX, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOVING THE DISEASED BLACK WALNUT TREES AROUND THE CITY**

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Becken to approve contract between the City of Prosser and Basin Tree Service & Pest Control, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$21,443.40, plus tax, for the purpose of removing the diseased Black Walnut trees around the City and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. Motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Chambers, Rainer).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:34 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Taylor recessed the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council to conduct an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. The session was expected to last 10 minutes and included the Mayor and Council Members, City Attorney, Police Chief, Deputy City Administrator/Finance Director (Acting City Administrator), and Finance Manager (Acting City Clerk).

At 7:44 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Taylor reconvened the Regular Meeting of the City Council and stated no action had occurred in the Executive Session.

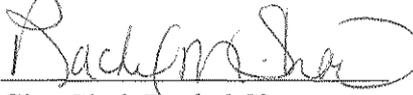
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this time, the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Mayor Paul Warden

Attest:



City Clerk Rachel Shaw

