

**CITY OF PROSSER, WASHINGTON
601 7TH STREET
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2015**

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 Taylor, Hamilton, Everett, Becken and Elder were present. Council Members Aubrey and Ward requested an excused absence.

Others in attendance were City Clerk Shaw, Finance Director Yost, Police Chief Giles, and Public Works Director DaCorsi.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Council Member Elder reported the Solid Waste action committee found funding and will be moving forward with new site location at Ely Street, Kennewick, for a surplus receiving station for medium hazard waste.

Jenna Essary Presentation and Request of Lighting the Wine Country Bridge Project

Miss Essary stated last year she raised over \$3,000 from her Light the Bridge senior project and donated the funds to Northstar cancer lodge. The project was highly supported by community and would like to do the same thing for both breast cancer and ovarian cancer awareness in the month of August. She stated that several community members want to help raise money for the project and would like Council's authorization to move forward with project.

A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Everett, to allow Miss Essary to move forward with the lighting of the Wine Country Bridge project. Motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Aubrey, Ward).

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

John Carmen, Prosser resident and local business owner, spoke to Council about the downtown flooding that occurred several weeks ago and inquired about the status of the requests made by himself and Mr. Bill Jenkins at a recent City Council meeting.

Public Works Director DaCorsi advised he spoke with the City's engineering firm HLA and a task order will be presented to Council related to the downtown storm drain issue in alley. The proposal will come forward at next regular meeting for Council's consideration.

Mr. Carmen thanked Mayor, Council and staff for looking into the issue.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND COMMENTS CONTINUED

2nd Quarter Police Department Report

Chief Giles provided a brief overview of the 2nd Quarter Police Department Report and discussed the highlights over the quarter.

Council Member Taylor stated he would like to know how the television station misconstrued the numbers on a recently aired report.

Chief Giles replied that the reporter took the crime numbers out of context and was very misleading.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Becken, to approve Consent Agenda Items "A – G." Motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Aubrey, Ward).

- a) Approve Payment of Payroll Check Nos. 600430 through 600434 in the amount of \$3,604.53 and Direct Deposits in the Amount of \$15,492.65, for the Period Ending July 15, 2015
- b) Approve Payment of Claim Checks Nos. 12767 through 12840, in the Amount of \$425,728.26 and Electronic Payments in the Amount of \$28,491.35 for the Period Ending July 28, 2015
- c) Approval of a Ground Lease Sublease and Leaseback Agreement between the City of Prosser and American Tower Inc., and Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Contract Documents
- d) Approval of 2nd Quarter Financial Statement
- e) Approve June 23, 2015 Meeting Minutes
- f) Approve July 7, 2015 Meeting Minutes
- g) Approve July 14, 2015 Meeting Minutes

COUNCIL ACTION

CLAIM CHECKS

Council Member Hamilton recused himself due to a conflict of interest. A motion was made by Council Member Taylor, seconded by Council Member Everett, to approve payment of claim check nos. 12481 and 12482, in the amount of \$1,183.16 for the period ending July 28, 2015. Motion passed 4 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Aubrey, Ward), 1 ABSENTION (Hamilton).

CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015 BUDGET FOR VARIOUS FUNDS

A motion was made by Council Member Everett, seconded by Council Member Becken, to adopt Ordinance No. 15-2937 amending the 2015 Budget for various funds. Motion passed 5 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSENT (Aubrey, Ward).

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Draft 6-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2016 – 2021

Public Works Director DaCorsi reviewed the draft 6-Year Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and discussed the projects and their priority as listed.

Council then discussed the Byron Road proposed project and directed staff to leave Byron Road on the STIP.

Public Works Director DaCorsi explained the next step of the process is to schedule a Public Hearing and bring forward a draft resolution that would adopt the STIP at the next regular City Council meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:51 p.m., Mayor Warden recessed the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council to conduct an Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.140(4)(a) collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b), that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress. The Executive Session was expected to last for 10 minutes and was to include Mayor and Council Members, City Clerk, and Finance Director.

At 8:01 p.m., Mayor Warden reconvened the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council and stated no action occurred.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Council Member Everett inquired as to when Council will discuss the City Administrator recruitment process. Council Member Taylor stated in will be on the August 4, 2015 City Council Work Session agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council at this time, the Regular Meeting of the Prosser City Council was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



Mayor Paul Warden

Attest:


City Clerk Rachel Shaw

