

Approved Minutes

Regular City of Athol City Council Meeting
Held in the Council Room in City Hall

Tuesday, January 21, 2020
7:00pm Regular Council Meeting

Mayor, Bill Hill, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL:

Present: Bill Hill; Councilman McDaniel; Councilwoman Baldwin; Councilman Spencer; Councilwoman Denis; City Clerk/Treasurer-Lori Yarbrough; **Not Present:** Public Works- Anthony Brandt-sick; City Planner- Rand Wichman; and City Attorney- Caitlin Kling

REPORTS:

Treasurer Report – Lori submitted written report and read the ending account balances. STCU Checking = \$44,191.67; STCU Savings = \$66,387.54; LGIP = \$792,750.10; Misc. income was Shane’s regular insurance \$52.00; Mayor Zichko’s walking challenge \$1,000.00; & S. Hanson restitution of \$100.00 = total \$1,152.00.

Water Report – Lori submitted written report and read aloud. November usage = 1,815,600 gal. (haulers 157,800) and **December usage = 2,296,600 gal. (haulers 180,500); Billing in December was \$11,248.00 plus \$350.00 in late fees and collected was \$11,676.90.** Late fees this month are likely to be at about 35, and 7 accounts to get notices of shut-off for being greater than 60 days past due.

Planner Report – Rand submitted a written report but was not present. Written report short, no new Location/Site Disturbance Permits issued. One permit request received but pending additional information; this is for the partially completed building on Gary Fast’s property at 30655 N Old Hwy 95. Notice of Violation recorded for the D. Kuhman property at 6030 E Lorraine Drive; the Building Location Permit for this site is on hold, pending resolution of this violation.

OTHER BUSINESS: Office in Big Shop – Since Anthony was gone Mayor Hill shared with the council what Anthony is looking at doing; framing in a small office in the big shop on 6th street. They are looking at framing in a 20 ft wall with a lid for an office. After a short discussion council asked for a written-out plan or draft of what exactly he wants to build so they know what he’s thinking for improvements but were open to the idea.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. APPROVAL OF THE January 7th REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

Motion by Denis, second by Spencer that we approve the regular meeting on the 7th, minutes with the one amended spot clarifying the sentence by Councilman McDaniel on page 3. *DISCUSSION All in favor-None opposed. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

NOTE: The City will make reasonable accommodations for anyone attending this meeting who require special assistance for hearing, physical or other impairments. Please contact the City Clerk at (208) 683-2101 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting date and time.

2. APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Motion by Baldwin, second by McDaniel to approve Paying Jan/Feb bills as submitted without amendments. *DISCUSSION- *All in favor-None opposed.* Motion passed. **ACTION ITEM**

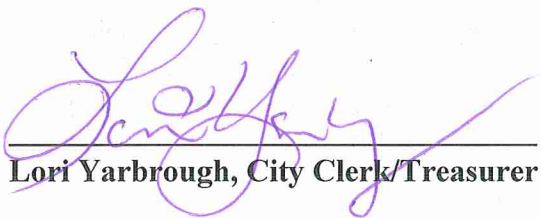
3. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL to allow the necessary updates of some electrical services in the Clerk's office, not to exceed \$1,500.00. Motion by Spencer, second by McDonald to approve *DISCUSSION Mayor Hill shared his concern for the electricity lines running in City Hall and after a small incident in the office would like to get it fixed and get some new electric panels put in along the outer wall of City Hall. It's a hazard the way it is, we got a quote, and that's why it's before you now. Much of the council seemed to be on board with this type of improvements, and it was commented to also consider these types of projects in the budget, as it's almost that time of year. **Roll Call Vote: McDaniel-yes; Spencer-yes; Baldwin-yes; Denis-yes: Motion passed. ACTION ITEM**

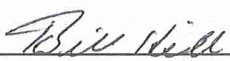
PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: City Council- Councilman McDaniel asked 1) where we are on the water easements right of ways – Lori responded she did not think Anthony was any further with getting the copy of existing easements, but he's been in contacts with the property owners. At the 90% water improvements design meeting we did set a date for that public meeting to tentatively be on Tuesday, February 11th at 6:00pm & 2) he wanted to know if Anthony had gotten the price quote yet for coil and pit setter- Councilman McDaniel got one for about \$850.00 each at Consolidated. Anthony was going to get the specs from the engineers. There was a brief conversation about this and how the city may need to clarify a city standard. We need to find out if this is something we vote on or not. - Lori will look into. / Mayor-none / Staff- none

ADJOURNMENT at 7:32 pm.

ATTEST:


Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer



Bill Hill, Mayor

Approved at Council on 2/4/2020