



NAPAVINE CITY COUNCIL

January 12, 2016 ~ 6:00 p.m.

City Hall 407 Birch Ave SW, Napavine

REGULAR MEETING: Mayor Sayers called the regular meeting of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm. and led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL: Council members present were: Jenifer Slemp, LaVerne Haslett, and Jim McNelly

AGENDA: *Councilor McNelly moved to accept the agenda as written, seconded by Councilor Slemp, motion passed unanimously*

CITIZEN BUSINESS: Jerry Graham, 295 Kirkland Rd., Chehalis WA – Mr. Graham stated that they are not able to move forward with bringing business to exit #72 because of Steve Ashley being a “liar and not trusted, and that businesses will not do business because of Steve”. Mayor Sayers stated to Mr. Graham that he was not going to allow him to talk derogative of any employees or council, and that if Mr. Graham continued, he would have him removed from the council chambers.

INTERVIEW FOR COUNCIL

POSITION #3: Councilor Slemp asked Robert Wheeler who applied for Council Position #3 why he was interested to serve again on the Council after previously resigning his uncompleted term back in August, and what would he do to reassure the Council that he wouldn't do it again. Mr. Wheeler responded that the Council had his word. Councilors Haslett and McNelly had no further questions. *Mayor Sayers asked for a show of hands as to appoint Mr. Wheeler to the Council, Councilor McNelly voted Yea, Councilors Slemp and Haslett voted Nae.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EMPLOYEE POSITION: Mayor Sayers stated that they would not go into executive session on this matter.

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORTS:

Bryan Morris, Public Works Director – Bryan provided an update that included getting the City roads cleaned up from the rains and water, and that chip sealing had been done.

“This institution in an equal opportunity provider, and employer.”

Chris Salyers, Police Chief –

- 1) New uniforms have been received
- 2) Provided update on his reserve program, stating that funds were eliminated during the budget building process. One of his reserves took a full-time position with Auburn Police Department.

Mayor Sayers – Informed the Council that he was going to be putting together committees of the Council this year, and reviewed committees of current members (i.e. Slemp on Sewer Operating Board, EDC, SWEDC, etc.)

APPOINT MAYOR

PRO TEM:

Mayor Sayers asked for a nomination for **Mayor Pro Tem**. *Councilor McNelly nominated Councilor Slemp, seconded by Councilor Haslett, Councilors McNelly and Haslett voted Yea, Councilor Slemp abstained, motion passed with a majority vote to appoint Slemp as Mayor Pro Tem.*

COUNCIL MINUTES:

Councilor McNelly moved to approve the Minutes of December 22, 2015, seconded by Councilor Slemp, motion passed unanimously.

VOUCHERS:

Councilor McNelly moved to approve the vouchers as presented for January 12, 2016; Voucher payments #33006 thru #33044 for \$90,321.75; Payroll Vouchers #33033 thru #33005 for \$1,097.90; Electronic Payment 12-21-15/1/11/16 for \$37,335.65; ACH Deposit 12-31-15 for \$14,263.66 Voided check #32964 for \$4,000 for stop payment, reissued #33039, total distribution of \$143,018.96, seconded by Councilor Slemp, motion passed unanimously.

NEWAUKUM FIRE DISTRICT

ALLOCATION:

Chris Salyers stated that the funding that is going to be coming from the Newaukum Fire District for the City for his administrative services was requested by the Union to be used for raises. Since this revenue is temporary, it would not be a good source to fund raises. *Councilor Slemp moved to restrict the Newaukum Fire District revenue to the Police Department, seconded by Councilor McNelly, motion passed unanimously.*

POLICE DEPARTMENT

RESERVE OFFICER

FUNDING:

Chris Salyers stated that he wanted to bring to the Councils attention that the Reserve Program was necessary to the City, and that at some point he may be coming back to them requesting

funding for the program. Councilor McNelly suggested that the dollars from the Newaukum Fire District could be a revenue source.

**DELINQUENT UTILITY
ACCOUNT:**

Penny Jo stated that there's a delinquent account on a property that will not be able to be collected on as the homeowner has been in a nursing home for the past couple of years, and the guardianship has submitted notices saying there are no financial means to pay. Penny Jo also noted that there are liens on the property for nuisance cleanup, and asked how the Council wished to proceed. She stated that if/when the property were sold the City would be able to collect at that time, or we could right off the debt. *Councilor Haslett moved to leave as is and do nothing at this time, seconded by Councilor Slem, motion passed unanimously.*

GOOD OF THE ORDER: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: *Councilor Haslett moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor McNelly, motion passed unanimously.* Mayor Sayers adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

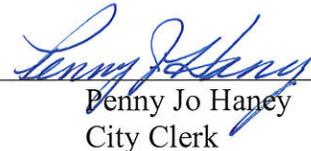
Respectfully submitted,



John Sayers
Mayor



Councilmember



Penny Jo Haney
City Clerk