

# Wednesday, November 18, 2020

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**By Mayor Thul @ 6:00PM Present:** Mayor Duane Thul. Councilors: Lois Phillips, Shannon Hoehna, Shawn Monaco and Jessica Aldrich. City Recorder Sheila Jasperson.

Location: Weston Food Pantry-(aka "GIZMO",) 114 East Main Street, Weston, OR

- 1a) Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 1b) Mayor Thul welcomed everyone.
- **1c) Approve Minutes for:** October 14, 2020. Councilor Aldrich motioned, Councilor Monaco second to approve the council minutes of October 14, 2020. All in favor, none opposed.
- **2)** <u>Correspondence:</u> LOC hosting a virtual Elected Officials Workshop (various dates in December). Contact City Recorder for registration.

#### 3) New Business:

## 4) Old Business Items:

- 4a) Water/Sewer Late Fee Waiver (COVID-19): Will continue with no assessment of late/shut off fees. Review again next month.
- **4b) Update on 110**  $\frac{1}{2}$  **E Main Building:** Mayor Thul provided an update on 110  $\frac{1}{2}$  E Main Building. Contact has been made with the engineer who conducted the inspection and we have been told a plan is in process. The City is not in possession of the completed report, as the building owners initiated the inspection.
- **4c) Update on Public Works Truck Purchase:** Mayor Thul made the motion to approve the purchase of a new Public Works truck, with lending through US Bank, interest rate of 2.25% and loan amount of \$34,093 (Total truck price \$49,093. City funded down payment of \$15,000). Councilor Aldrich second. All in favor, none opposed.
- **4d) COVID-19 Cares Funds (City):** Mayor Thul made the motion to award grant funding to Living Favorite Stores Preschool in the amount of \$10,000, Longbranch in the amount of \$5,000 and Upper Crust in the amount of \$5,000, contingent upon meeting county and state guidelines. Councilor Aldrich second. All in favor, none opposed. Mayor Thul made the motion to allocate un-used CARES funds awarded to the city back to Umatilla County. Councilor Phillips second. All in favor, none opposed.

### 5) Action Items:

**5a) Grants:** Councilor Hoehna made the motion to approve moving forward with the grant application for 2021 Safe Routes to Schools (#1). Councilor Monaco second. All in favor, none opposed.



Mayor Thul made the motion to approve moving forward the grant application to update the Comprehensive Plan (#5). Councilor Hoehna second. All in favor, none opposed.

Mayor Thul made the motion to apply for funding through FEMA for flooding costs (#6). Councilor Monaco second. All in favor, none opposed.

Council decision to hold off on approval action on #8 of grant report, approval of grant acceptance from Kinsman Foundation for building at 110 ½ E Main (old Post Office).

Councilor Phillips made the motion to approve permission to apply for additional grant funding through AWERE and Wildhorse for the ODOT/State Parks grant. Mayor Thul second. DT, LP, JA, SH in favor, SM opposed.

**5b)** Approve Annual Employee Gift Card (Safeway): Councilor Aldrich made the motion to Approve Annual Employee Gift Card (Safeway). Councilor Monaco second. All in favor, none opposed.

## 6) Approve Financials and Pay Bills:

Mayor Thul made the motion to approve the monthly financials and monthly bills. Councilor Aldrich second. All in favor, none opposed.

Adjournment @ 7:00pm