

Plummer City Council Meeting
December 14, 2017

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Weems.

Present: William Weems, Mayor
Tim Stockdale, Council
Julie Miller, Council
Tim Clark, Council President
Brad Hampton, Council

Also, Present: Sara Gauthier; City Clerk-Treasurer, Andrew Doman; City Counselor, Leonard Johnson; City Foreman, Shawn McCarver; Electrical Services Manager/Lineman, Stacey Sonder, John Wheaton

Announcements & Presentations: Shawn introduced himself as the City's new Electrical Services Manager/Lineman.

Consent Agenda: Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the meeting minutes from November 9, 2017 with the changes & November 13, 2017, Treasurer's report for November 2017, disbursements for December 2017 and the check register for November 2017. Hampton second. Stockdale aye, Miller aye, Clark aye, Hampton aye. Motion Passed.

Public Comment: John Wheaton: has a letter addressed to the City Council: has some questions he would like answered. He submitted a letter to the City Clerk for answers.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Purchase of Multiquip Whisper Watt Silent Diesel Generator:** Leonard stated the going rate online and spoke to United Rentals. The ones online had over 6000hrs and were back east with the prices from 19-22k. United Rentals quote 13000+ hours with no extra pigtales. It is a rental and they are asking 17k for it. He spoke to Danny and asked what his lowest number is. He said he would take \$20k out the door bottom line. Clark made a motion to approve the purchase of the Multiquip Whiser Watt Silent Diesel Generator. Stockdale seconded. Roll Call Vote Hampton aye, Stockdale aye, Clark aye, Miller aye. Motion Passed.

New Business:

- A. Library Board Appointment and Reappointment:** Clark made a motion to approve the library board appointment of Laura Laumatia and the Reappointment of Rosalie Bolyard. Miller seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Miller aye, Clark aye, Stockdale aye, Hampton aye. Motion Passed.
- B. Final Audit Report:** Clark made a motion to approve the final audit report for FY 2015-2016. Hampton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Hampton aye, Stockdale aye, Clark aye, Miller aye. Motion Passed.
- C. Regence Insurance:** Clark made a motion to approve retroactively Regence Insurance. Hampton second. Roll Call Vote: Clark aye, Miller aye, Stockdale aye, Hampton aye. Motion Passed.
- D. Electric In-House Apprenticeship:** Leonard talked about the previous council wanting to start crewing up for the Electric department. He has been doing some research on the Northwest

Lineman School in Meridian as well the apprenticeship. This apprenticeship is for businesses that can't send guys to the school. Leonard discussed the wage increase. Shawn talked about one of his school mates that is working at a small City in Ohio and has been working on his apprenticeship for the last 6 years. Mayor Weems asked who was going to pay for this? Leonard stated the City would pay for the apprenticeship. Mayor Weems asked what would happen if after the 4 years if we didn't need them anymore. Leonard stated they are only going to train 2 of them at a time. Mayor Weems stated that he was talking about bringing someone from the lineman school to get their hours. Mayor Weems stated that the bond only had 1.5% for contractor fees. Leonard stated that they could pay for it themselves, it costs \$600 a year per person. Clark stated this caught him off guard as well. First plan is to get someone in charge of the electric, correct? Miller asked, if we did do this what would it cost the city? Mayor Weems stated he admires this. Clark stated that we are in baby steps right now and that once we get the first person completely trained he can come and ask for assistance. Tabled until next meeting.

- E. **ULS Locate Services:** Shawn stated that these rates are high. We do our own locates already for water and sewer. Leonard stated we have a locator budgeted for water and it would be the same tool for the electric and they can do the locates. No further action.
- F. **Water Engineer-Low Pressure on Plummer Ave:** Leonard stated that Jim Williamson from DEQ came down and did our sanitary survey. Pressure reading on Plummer avenue went from 3psi to 37 psi, the city is required to provide 35 psi consistently. Leonard stated that Jim Williamson said our next survey is in 3 years and we should get the ball rolling to fix this deficiency. Place bids out for water engineer.
- G. **Tuck Inn Utility Accounts Balance:** Clark made a motion to remove the services. Stockdale seconded. Roll Call Vote: Hampton aye, Stockdale aye, Clark aye, Miller aye. Motion Passed.
- H. **Payables for December 2017:** Stockdale made a motion to pay the payables for December 2017. Hampton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote Stockdale aye, Miller aye, Clark aye, Hampton aye. Motion Passed.

Reports:

Staff Reports

Sara Gauthier: On File.

Leonard Johnson: On File.

Les Hall: On File.

Paulina Freeburg: On File.

Legal Reports: Personnel policy updates, USDA funding Laura M working with USDA attorney. Working with Toth on interconnection policy. As of January 1, 2018, Doman Law Offices will no longer be in business. Attorney will be with another firm.

Council Reports:

Mayor Weems: Since the community review, the berg building was put into a community pool of available building throughout the State of Idaho.

Tim Stockdale: None.

Brad Hampton: None.

Julie Miller: None.

Tim Clark: 1. AIC Fall Conference: very informative, brings up old stuff. 2. Definition of connections of edus & connections. 3. Electric Rate book lineman fees.

Executive Session: Pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206-1(F)- Hampton made a motion to enter into executive session. Miller seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote Clark aye, Stockdale aye, Hampton aye, Miller aye. Motion Passed. Entered Executive session at 7:14 p.m. Adjourned executive session at 7:16p.m.

Regular Council Meeting Adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

William Weems, Mayor

Sara Gauthier, City Clerk-Treasurer