

REGULAR CITY OF NEW MEADOWS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD JANUARY 14, 2019 AT 6:30 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 401 VIRGINIA STREET, NEW MEADOWS

Agenda Item 1 – Welcome – Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance:

Present were Council Members Darla Weber, Julie Good, Jeff Parnett, and Mayor Darbey Edwards by phone. Carol Bond was absent.

Staff present were Mac Qualls, Doug Buys, Angie Mettie and Dick Stubbs.

Public present were Philip Good and Lauren Frei.

Council President Good opened the meeting at 6:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item 2 – Training Brief

There was no training available.

Agenda Item 3 – Information (No Action)

Official Guests: There were no official guests.

Written Staff Reports: The Council reviewed written staff reports.

Mailbag & Announcements:

a. Council President Good gave an update on the Stibnite Advisory Council. She stated that the bi-laws were created, and the board will be appointed tomorrow. Those involved include Yellow Pine, Donnelly, Cascade, Adams County, Idaho County, Council, New Meadows and Riggins. The City Council can appoint an alternate for the Advisory Council, and Darla Weber volunteered for this position.

b. Mayor Edwards shared with the Council his conversation with Lamont Lloyd regarding relinquishing two connections on his property. Mr. Lloyd would like to have the connections removed privately. Mayor Edwards felt it would show good faith to accept the \$100 deposit per connection and allow the removals to be postponed until spring, with a possible completion and inspection date of June 1st. Mr. Lloyd would not have to pay the Will-Serve fees for 2019.

c. Council President Good gave an update on the West Central Mountains Economic Development Council. She has been appointed treasurer, and will have the first board meeting tomorrow.

Agenda Item 4 – Audience Communication:

Doug Buys asked to be placed on the January 28 agenda regarding a new lease for the Industrial Park.

Agenda Item 5 – Public Requests:

Community Member Lauren Frei addressed the Council regarding his will-serve statement. He stated that when he purchased the lot, the cost for the Will-Serve was around \$270, but this year, it is \$700. He did not feel that such an increase was warranted. He also felt that communication about the increase could have been better. Frei asked that a written response be given for his records.

Mayor Edwards explained that the City follows the code outlined by state law when it comes to publicizing hearings, agendas, and how information is disseminated. This includes publishing the items in the local newspaper, on the website, and also posting the information around the city. Mailings for each item are not an option due to cost.

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Council President Good encouraged Frei to talk with Mayor Edwards about his questions, and assured him that a statement would be given, explaining the will-serves and their increase.

Agenda Item 6 – Presentations / Discussions:

A. FY 2017/2018 Audit Presentation

The audit presentation was moved to January 28, 2019.

B. Urban Ranching

The Council discussed the draft urban ranching ordinance. See Addendum for suggested changes. The Council chose to send the draft to the Adams County Ag Extension office for their input.

C. Right-of-Way Ordinance

The Council reviewed a draft right-of-way ordinance and chose to have Doug Buys review it, as he would be familiar with the measurements and numbers mentioned in the draft. Mayor Edwards stated that many citizens do not understand the law regarding the right-of-way and how it works. Qualls stated that according to state law, the property owner is responsible for the right of way area from their property to the center of the street. Buys said that a New Meadows ordinance states that there shall be no parking in the right of way from 2am to 8am. This is not adhered to by many. The draft ordinance will be added to a future agenda after receiving comments from Buys.

D. CCTV Installation

The Council reviewed quotes for CCTV systems at City Hall, the restrooms at the park, and the Industrial Park. The goal is to have a system that the Sheriff's office can access at any time, and that would be user friendly. Buys stated that the bathrooms should be the highest priority, with City Hall next, and the Industrial Park last. Council President Good would like to review the budget regarding the purchase of these items.

Agenda Item 7 – Action Items

A. Acceptance of the 2017/2018 Audit

The audit presentation was moved to the January 28 meeting.

B. Beer / Wine CY 2019 License Approval

There were no licenses to approve.

C. Consideration of Lease Agreement

City Clerk Qualls stated that the County has approved the Recycle Center lease. City Attorney Stubbs approved of the lease. Qualls stated that the lease could be shown to the city's insurance company and they could make a determination on insurance. Adams County should provide operations insurance.

- Council Member Parnett moved to approve the Recycle Center lease; Council Member Weber seconded the motion. Voice Vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion carried.

D. Consideration of Committee Appointments

There were no appointments to consider.

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E. Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda included minutes from December 10, 2018 and December 21, 2018, Payment of Claims, Approval of Payroll and Financials. Financials were not available.

- Council President Good moved to approve the consent agenda minus financials; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Weber – yes, Good – yes, Parnett – yes. Motion carried.

F. Executive Session 74-206 1 (c)

- Council Member Weber moved to go into Executive Session under 74-206 1(c), to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency; Council Member Parnett seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Weber – yes, Good – yes, Parnett – yes. Motion carried.

Executive Session began at 8:28pm and ended at 8:40pm. Roll was then called to reconvene the meeting. Present were Darla Weber, Julie Good, Jeff Parnett and Darbey Edwards via phone.

G. Actions After Executive Session

No action was necessary.

Agenda Item 8 – Future Meeting Topics

January 28, 2019

- Variance Procedures & Applications
- Adams County P&Z Administration Presentation: Wendy Green
- Audit Presentation
- Andrew Mentzer
- Stibnite Appointment
- Alcoholic Beverage License Approval
- Financial Review (CCTV)
- Industrial Park Lease (Buys)
- 4 Corners Communication
- Financials

February Meeting:

- Sewer Land App Close Out
- City-Wide Broadband
- Parks & Rec Task – Dogs in the Park
- Park Master Plan
- RV Short Term Use

Agenda Item 9 – Adjourn

- Council Member Parnett moved to adjourn; Council Member Weber seconded the motion. Voice vote indicated no opposition to the motion with all members signifying yes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46pm.

Darbey Edwards, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jacob M. Qualls, City Clerk / Treasurer

