

HUXLEY SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND WORK SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

These minutes are as recorded by the City Clerk and are subject to City Council approval at the next regular council meeting.

COUNCIL MEETING: The Huxley City Council held a meeting on the above date pursuant to rules of the council, notice posted at City Hall and onto website. Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL: Kuhn, Thompson, Roberts, Echer, absent - Pilcher

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Jolene Lettow, Nathan Albaugh – Police Chief, Jeff Peterson – Public Works Director, Cathy VanMaanen – Library Director, Mat Kahler – Street Supt., A.J. Strumpfer – Wastewater Supt., Heather Denger – Parks and Recreation Director

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve Resolution No. 23-019 for Attorney Engagement Letter from Dorsey Whitney, LLC Law Firm to Assist City with Amendment to Urban Renewal Plan and Development Agreement for 120 South LLC Development.
- b. Approve Hiring of New Police Officer
- c. Approve Promotion of Gerald Caliguiri to Police Sergeant

Roll Call: Roberts, Thompson, Kuhn, Echer voted yes. Motion carried.

WORK SESSION:

- Splash Pad – Heather Denger, Parks and Rec Director, asked council to support the annual maintenance expense for Splash Pad. Fundraising efforts will be used to cover upfront costs of equipment and installation. Council expressed concerns with purchasing equipment and not having enough fundraising funds to cover costs. Annual expense will be added to preliminary budget for council to review.
- Salaries – council decided to leave 7% increase in budget. Council asked to have \$20,000 placed in budget to complete a wage study.
- Health Insurance – increase in premiums to be paid from Trust Fund Pool.
- Tar Kettle Purchase – Mat Kahler, Street Superintendent, explained to council that existing kettle is past its useful life. Three quotes were provided for new kettle. Council consensus to approve purchase.
- Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) – Each department submitted list of capital project items. CIP will be updated with all requested items and discussed with new administrator.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion – Roberts, second – Echer to adjourn meeting at 7:27 pm. 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Jolene R. Lettow, City Clerk