

Minutes 1366th Regular Council Meeting December 28, 2020 (TELECONFERENCE)

6:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Bob Poch called the 1366th regular meeting of the Coulee Dam Town Council to order at 6:00p.m. via teleconference.

Roll Call

Council members present: Fred Netzel, Mervin Schmidt, Dale Rey, and Keith St. Jeor. Larry Hall was absent.

Staff Present: Police Chief Paul Bowden, Public Works Superintendent Mike Steffens and Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden.

Public Input

None

Updates and Modifications to Agenda

Councilman Fred Netzel requested discussion time regarding the wastewater treatment plant project, animal control ordinance and the food truck request. Dale Rey asked for discussion regarding the Grand Coulee issue with the garbage rate increase at the Delano Transfer Station.

Consent Agenda

Dale Rey moved with Keith St. Jeor seconding to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

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Vouchers:

Claim Vouchers and Checks:

Claim Voucher No.'s 39268 through 39286 and EFT's dated December

23, 2020 in the total amount of \$88,542.21.

Action Agenda

- a. <u>AB 2020-19</u>, <u>Resolution No. 2020-06</u>, <u>RBOM 2021 Budget</u>
 Keith St. Jeor moved with Mervin Schmidt seconding to approve Resolution No. 2020-06 accepting the 2021 Budget for the Regional Board of Mayors. Motion carried.
- b. <u>AB 2020-20, Resolution No. 2020-07, RBOM Solid Waste Dumping Fees</u>
 After brief discussion regarding Grand Coulee's acceptance of the rate increase, Keith St. Jeor

moved and Dale Rey seconded to approve Resolution No. 2020-07, establishing solid waste dumping fees at the Delano Transfer Station. Motion carried.

c. <u>Labor Union Agreement</u>

Mayor Poch informed the council that the Union and the committee have agreed to postpone negotiations until July 2021 due to unknown financial impacts from COVID-19. Mervin Schmidt asked "why July". The committee felt that by July the town would have a good sense of the financial impacts of COVID-19. Keith St. Jeor asked the Clerk how the financials currently looked regarding tax revenues. The Clerk stated that the final figures will be known on December 31st as that is when the State disperses the funds. As of the most recent figures, the funds didn't look to be too far off track from anticipated.

Discussion Agenda

a. Wastewater Treatment Plant Project

Mayor Poch asked Superintendent Mike Steffens if there is anything new on the progress of the project. Steffens stated that the crews are working and engineers are assessing the contractor liquidated damages in the amount of \$2000 per day. Dale Rey asked what the status is regarding the Elmer City situation. Mayor Poch responded that there is nothing new on that topic as we are still waiting on project completion and final cost figures.

b. Animal Control Ordinance

Mayor Poch has received an email from the attorney and will distribute to councilmembers.

c. Food Truck

Fred Netzel asked if the food truck that has requested to set up in Coulee Dam is for one day or is it on-going. As of this date, it is for one day. They may request to come back again if it is successful.

Staff, Council & Committee Report

Police

Chief Bowden reported that Reserve Officer, Mike Sullivan, has officially retired. His last day was December 23rd.

Adjournment

Mayor Bob Poch adjourned the meeting at 6:19pm.

Mayor

Bob Poch

Clerk

Stefani Bowder