MINUTES REGULAR SOAP LAKE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 1, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Agliano called the regular council meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Arnold, Bratton, Bryson, Rushton, Taylor and Woodhouse.

City Staff Members Present: Police Chief Cox, Fire Chief Sheppard, and Administrative Assistant Siebert.

AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Regular Council Meeting Minutes May 18, 2022
- B. Special Council Meeting Minutes May 20, 2022
- C. Claim EFTs & Claims # 21777 21793 in the amount of \$522,017.44
- D. Payroll EFTs & Claims # 26198 26203 in the amount of \$50,949.14
- E. Progress Estimate 5, Water and Sewer (Phase III) Improvements City of Soap Lake, Grant County, Washington G&O #18045
- F. Progress Estimate 2, Phase I City Hall Remodel City of Soap Lake, Grant County, Washington G&O #21829

➤ MAYOR'S MESSAGE

> REPORTS OF STANDING/SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A. Parks & Rec Committee – Soap Lake Lauzier Park – Swing Set- Toddler Bucket Seat Funding

> PUBLIC COMMENT

> OLD BUSINESS

A. Consolidated Disposal Services 4th Contract Amendment CPI Rate Adjustment

> NEW BUSINESS

- A. 6 Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)
- B. Changing Authorized Signers on all Banner Bank Accounts
- C. An Ordinance of the City of Soap Lake, Washington, Amending Sections 9.28.010 and 9.28.060 of the Soap Lake Municipal Code to Prohibit Consumer Use of Fireworks in the City; Containing a Severability Provision; and Setting an Effective Date
- D. Interview of Candidates Who Submitted Letter of Interest for City Council Position

> REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS

- ➤ **EXECUTIVE SESSION** RCW 42.30.110(1)(h) Qualifications of an applicant/candidate for appointment to elective office
- ➤ NEXT ORDINANCE #1330; NEXT RESOLUTION #978
- **COMMENTS**
- ADJOURNMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

M/Bratton, S/Arnold; to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mayor Agliano stated that she hopes for this meeting and all future meetings to go smoothly and would like to see unity in the community and councilmembers working together.

If you would like to contact Mayor Agliano, please use her City issued phone number, not her personal phone number. Contact information is on the City's website.

Public Works did have the park bathrooms open this past weekend, but one bathroom was vandalized.

Gray & Osborne will be going over punch list for the completed work on the water and sewer lines.

The virtual site is no longer required for council meetings and would like input from Councilmembers on whether to keep this option.

There will be a Public Hearing for the 2023-2028 Six Year TIP at the next Council Meeting on June 15th.

REPORTS OF STANDING/SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Mona Kaiser, from the Parks and Rec. Committee, would like to have toddler bucket swings installed on the swing set at Lauzier Park. Each one would cost approximately \$253.00. She would like to know if Council would approve using monies from the Parks fund for this. Chief Cox added that SLPD would purchase two bucket swings at \$60.00 ea. For the Park.

Alex Kovach gave an update on the progress of the City Hall Building. Staff are still on target of moving in by the end of June. The roofing project should start soon. The large area for the future Chambers will be used for storage for now.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter Sharp, 625 2nd Place SE: gave copies of his letter of interest for the open Council Position to Councilmembers.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Consolidated Disposal Services 4th Contract Amendment CPI Rate Adjustment – **M/Bratton, S/Taylor**; to authorize the Mayor to sign the 4th Contract Amendment Between the City of Soap Lake and Consolidated Disposal Services, Inc. **Motion carried unanimously.** The CPI increase will be 4.45%.

Councilmember Arnold and Mayor Agliano briefly discussed mineral water agreement with the Resort. Councilmember Arnold would like a metering provision added. Mayor will check on this and bring back with documentation.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. 6 Year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Michael Woodkey from Gray & Osborne gave a presentation and answered questions about the Transportation Improvement Plan. A Public Hearing will be held on June 15th to receive public input for the upcoming projects. He asked Council for input for prioritizing the current schedule of street projects or if there were changes that needed to be made. Mayor said that 5th Ave. SE would be a priority. Chief Cox mentioned 3rd Ave NE and Fern St. N. There was a bit of discussion on how the projects for street repairs and storm drains are coordinated.
- B. Changing Authorized Signers on all Banner Bank Accounts M/Arnold, S/Woodhouse; motion to approve removing Debra Still, David Tweedy, and Alex Kovach from Banner Bank accounts ending in 0246, 4221, 4950 and to add Michelle Agliano and Leslie Taylor as signer to Banner Bank accounts ending in 0246, 4221, 4950. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. An Ordinance of the City of Soap Lake, Washington, Amending Sections 9.28.010 and 9.28.060 of the Soap Lake Municipal Code to Prohibit Consumer Use of Fireworks in the City; Containing a Severability Provision; and Setting an Effective Date M/Rushton, S/Arnold; to accept the ordinance of the City of Soap Lake, Washington, amending sections 9.28.010 and 9.28.060 of the Soap Lake Municipal Code to prohibit consumer use of fireworks in the City; containing a severability provision; and setting an effective date. Motion carried unanimously. Ordinance is numbered 2022-1330.
- D. Interview of Candidates Who Submitted Letter of Interest for City Council Position <u>Peter Sharp</u> – Answered questions from Council about what he would like to accomplish and what divisions he sees in the City. He would like to bring unity to the City and not be divisive. He currently attends local school board meetings. He is interested in seeing streets get paved. He would like to get to know the current Councilmembers better. He also suggested block parties.

<u>Kat Sanderson</u> – Talked about her past service on the Council and Chamber. She feels she has experience with City Council and would be able to bring this perspective if given a chance to fill the open position. She answered questions from Council concerning her priorities. She said getting streets paved, park bathrooms, updating City Library and supporting local businesses are her priorities.

<u>Cindi Rang</u> – She is a local business owner and her main areas of interest are the business economies of Soap Lake and tourism. She also expressed a need for infrastructure and preservation of the Lake. She believes she would bring fresh ideas and a different perspective if selected.

Kandis Lair- did not come to the meeting

<u>Megan Gould</u>- She ran for a position on Council in 2019. She would like to serve the community and be a part of the decision-making process. She has experience serving on the neighborhood council in Bellingham and was involved with the community garden. She served on the Soap Lake Policy Committee.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

Police Chief Cox – Yesterday a suspect in a couple of burglaries was arrested.

He attended the Soap Lake School District Board Meeting with Officer Jones. The School has expressed interest in a School Resource Officer (SRO) and will be working on a contract to fund a position.

Fire Chief Sheppard – The department ran 30 calls last month with 13 EMS calls in the City. He will be limiting the sale times and discharge times of fireworks in the City this year and received no objections from Council.

His department received \$100,000.00 to purchase an air compressor and air tanks. The total for this is \$90,384.00, but he still needs to have an electrician install the electrical hook-up for the compressor.

He is hopeful that the ambulance conveyance license will be granted by mid-July.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – RCW 42.30.110(1)(h) Qualifications of an applicant/candidate for appointment to elective office.

Start: 6:43 PM for 15 minutes

Stop: 6:58 PM

M/Rushton, S/Bratton; to appoint Kat Sanderson to fill open City Council Position. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Mayor Agliano encouraged each applicant to run for Council in the future as they all displayed qualities and character needed to serve this community.

Next Ordinance #1331; Next Resolution #978

COMMENTS

Councilmember Bryson expressed importance of getting park bathrooms repaired and open for the summer months. City will look for source of funding for this.

Councilmember Arnold would like the Mayor to review the contract with the Resort concerning the campground bathrooms and make sure it is being followed.

Discussion about the punch list for completed street projects. Mayor explained that the Public Works Director has final sign off on this and corrections can be made.

ADJOURNMENT

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