

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

March 5, 2019

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Mayor Tom Nelson at 6:30 p.m. on March 5, 2019.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Heidi Sparks
 Bruce McGee Richard Herr
 Scot Stokes Irv Wilke
 Richard Klose Bill Mountsier

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: None

Mayor Nelson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

Mayor Nelson asked the council to observe a moment of silence.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 19, 2019, as presented, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims for the month of February 2019 in the amount of \$1,122,646.98.**
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 2/24/2019 totaling \$180,902.83.**
- **Receiving the Committee/Board/Commission Reports into the Record.**
 - Budget/Finance Committee minutes of February 19, 2019, were presented.
 - Council Workshop minutes of February 26, 2019, were presented.
 - Emergency Services Committee minutes of January 28, 2019, were presented.
 - Tree Board minutes of October 18, 2018, were presented.
 - Tree Board minutes of January 17, 2019, were presented.
 - Tree Board minutes of February 21, 2019, were presented.

The mayor asked if there was any separation of consent items. There was none.

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Sparks. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Confirmation of Appointments.**
 - **Appointment of Jon Rutt to the Park Board for a term ending December 31, 2022.**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to approve the appointment of Jon Rutt to the Park Board for a term ending December 31, 2022, seconded by Council Member Wilke. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

- **Resolution No. R19-06: A Resolution Accepting The Proposal Submitted By Morrison Maierle Systems To Provide The City's Information Technology ("IT") Support And Services And Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Contract With Morrison Maierle Systems For Such Services.**

Motion by Council Member Herr to approve Resolution No. R19-06, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment.

It was clarified that there was a misstatement made at the previous meeting stating that this bid would cost the City less than what they are currently paying. This bid came in approximately \$12,000 over what the City is currently paying. However it was the least of all three bids. The current vendor's bid came in approximately \$20,000 over what the City is currently paying. The Clerk/Treasurer is in support of the new vendor. The Clerk/Treasurer has heard good things about this vendor and was impressed by the bid response.

A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Council Member Wilke stated he would be unable to attend next weeks Workshop. He will be teaching a hunter's safety course.

Council Members thanked City Staff for their work on clearing snow. The City received a thank you for their work on snow removal. The Senior Center was able to do Meals on Wheels for those who are unable to get out of their homes. They were also able to feed all those who came in meals as well. March is March for Meals month. Both the Mayor and CAO have been invited to ride along as meals are delivered.

Public Works Committee will meet March 18th at 6 p.m.

MAYOR UPDATE:

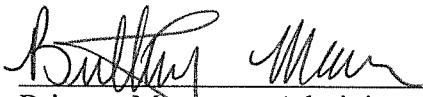
Mayor Nelson stated he received a call Friday morning from the Senior Center expressing their concerns for being able to deliver meals and have residents come in for a meal. Mayor Nelson declared an emergency to mobilize all needed assists to assist in snow removal.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

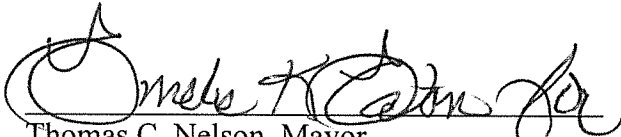
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Klose to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

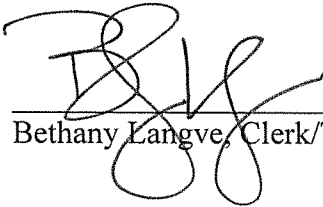
There being no further business to come before the council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.


Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 19th day of March 2019.


Thomas C. Nelson, Mayor

Attest:


Bethany Langve, Clerk/Treasurer