

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

April 27, 2021

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 6:37 p.m. on April 27, 2021.

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: Bethany Langve, Clerk/Treasurer
 Stan Langve, Police Chief
 Jackson Booth, Police Officer
 Colt, K-9

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 April 13, 2021, as presented, 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.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims entered through April 23, 2021.**
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 4/18/2021 totaling \$192,766.22.**
- **Council Workshop Minutes of December 15, 2021.**
- **Council Workshop Minutes of January 5, 2021.**
- **Council Workshop Minutes of January 19, 2021.**
- **Council Workshop Minutes of February 2, 2021.**

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 McGee. There was no public comment.

A Council Member noticed a typo on the Consent Agenda. The year should be 2020 and not 2021 for the December 15th Council Workshop Minutes.

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



CEREMONIAL CALENDAR:

- K-9 Officer Ceremony

Police Chief Stan Lange gave a brief overview of the process to bring a K-9 into the Department. He anticipated this process to take approximately two years to fundraise enough funds to get a K-9. This is the first dog the Department has had in the last twelve years. The Community's support has been phenomenal. The program was funded through donations. Officer Booth did many hours of work on his own time to bring this to fruition.

Police Chief Stan Langve pinned Officer Booth with his K-9 collar brass.

Police Officer Booth stood in for K-9 Colt for the swearing-in ceremony. K-9 Colt received his shield.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of April 13, 2021.
- Tree Board Minutes of March 18, 2021.
- Park Board Minutes of April 1, 2021.
- Public Works Committee Minutes of March 15, 2021.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

Council Member McGee stated he would like to bring Resolution No. R19-07, which was tabled before Council.

Motion by Council Member McGee to approve Resolution No. R19-07, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. Council Members Member Nelson voted aye. Council Members Sparks, Herr, Wilke, Klose, Stokes, McGee, and Eaton voted nay. Motion failed 1-7.

- **Resolution No. R21-27: A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Sign A Contract With All Seasons Roofing For Repairs And Installation Of Roofing Materials At The Fire, Police, Ambulance (FAP) Building and The Library.**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to approve Resolution No. R21-27, 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.

- **Ordinance No. O21-03: An Ordinance Amending Certain Chapters Of Title 15 Of The Laurel Municipal Code Relating To The City's Miscellaneous Requirements For Homes, Buildings, And Construction. First Reading**

Motion by Council Member Klose to adopt Ordinance No. O21-03, seconded by Council Member Wilke. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. Council Members Sparks, Herr, Wilke, Klose, Nelson, Stokes, McGee, and Eaton voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Council noted they are grateful for our Law Enforcement Officers. Thank you for your service.

MAYOR UPDATES:

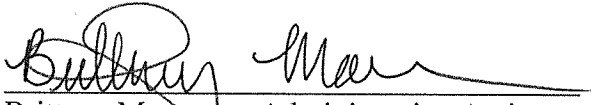
Mayor Nelson stated all Laurel Emergency Services do a fantastic job. Very grateful that with all the incidents in the last two weeks, all officers could go home safe.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

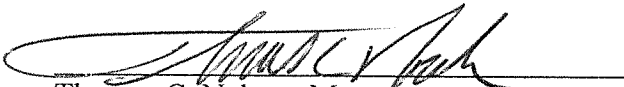
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Herr 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.

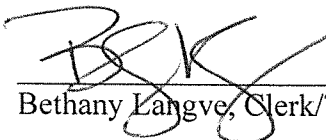
There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.


Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 11th day of May 2021.


Thomas C. Nelson, Mayor

Attest:


Bethany Langve, Clerk/Treasurer