

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

July 26, 2022

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 Dave Waggoner at 6:30 p.m. on July 26, 2022.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Emelie Eaton Heidi Sparks
 Michelle Mize Richard Herr
 Casey Wheeler Irv Wilke
 Bill Mountsier

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Klose

OTHER STAFF PRESENT: Michele, Braukmann, Civil City Attorney

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

MINUTES:

- **Approval of Minutes of July 12, 2022.**

Motion by Council Member Wilke to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 12, 2022, as presented, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Amended Minutes for City Council Meetings Held on April 12th, April 26th, May 10th, May 24th, and June 14th.**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to approve the amended minutes for City Council Meetings held on April 12th, April 26th, May 10th, May 24th, and June 14th, as presented, seconded by Council Member Wilke. There was no public comment.

Council questioned if the only changes made were to the Council Members listed in attendance. It was clarified that was correct.

A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Beartooth RC&D Correspondence – July 2022.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- **Claims entered through July 22, 2022.**
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.
- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPEs through 7/20/2022 totaling \$250,763.07.**

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 seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

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CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of June 28, 2022.
- Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of July 12, 2022.
- Emergency Services Committee Minutes of June 27, 2022.
- Park Board Minutes of July 14, 2022.
- Public Works Committee Minutes of June 20, 2022.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

Carol Blades, 1809 Denittas Lane, encouraged Council to read the letter they had received last week.

Steve Krum, 249 24th Ave. W, requested that Council consider doing a noise baseline study for the City before the plant N.W.E plant is built.

Priscilla Bell, 1310 Wild Horse Drive, voiced her frustrations on the correct venue to voice her concerns.

Greg Childs, 2821 Theil Road, asked if the City has jurisdiction to consider the residents' concerns.

Mayor Waggoner clarified that the City is looking into what its legal authority is regarding zoning.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Appointment of Richard Klose to Park Board for the remainder of a four-year term ending December 31, 2024.**

Motion by Council Member Herr to approve the Mayor's appointment of Richard Klose to the Park Board for the remainder of a four-year term ending December 31, 2024, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Appointment of Casey Wheeler to the Human Relations Committee and Health Insurance Committee.**

Motion by Council Member Mountsier to approve the Mayor's appointment of Casey Wheeler to the Human Relations Committee and Health Insurance Committee, seconded by Council Member Wilke. There was no public comment.

Council questioned if they were appointing Council Member Wheeler to two separate Committees. It was clarified that was correct.

A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Motion to allow Council Member Klose to be absent from the City of Laurel for more than ten days. (LMC 2.12.060)**

Motion by Council Member Wheeler to approve Council Member Klose to be absent from the City of Laurel for more than ten days, seconded by Council Member Mize. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Resolution No. R22-37: A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Mayor To Execute A Revised Memorandum Of Understanding By And Between The City Of Laurel And The City Of Laurel Library Board Of Trustees**

Motion by Council Member Mize to approve Resolution No. R22-37, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

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- **Resolution No. R22-38: Resolution Approving The Final Plat Of Cherry Hills Subdivision 3rd Filing, An Addition To The City Of Laurel, Montana**

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve Resolution No. R22-38, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Ordinance No. O22-01: An Ordinance Amending Certain Chapters Of Title 14 Of The Laurel Municipal Code Relating To The Adoption And Enforcement Of Building, Energy Conservation, And Swimming Pool And Spa Codes For The City Of Laurel As Required By The State Of Montana (First Reading)**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to adopt Ordinance No. O22-01, seconded by Council Member Eaton. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. Council Members Sparks, Herr, Wilke, Mountsier, Wheeler, Mize, and Eaton voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

- **Ordinance No. O22-02: An Ordinance Amending Section 1.28.040 Of The Laurel Municipal Code Relating To Technical Codes For The City Of Laurel (First Reading)**

Motion by Council Member Herr to adopt Ordinance No. O22-02, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A roll call vote was taken on the motion. Council Members Sparks, Herr, Wilke, Mountsier, Wheeler, Mize, and Eaton voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT):

The Laurel Chamber of Commerce will have a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Downtown Courtyard this Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Emergency Services Committee did not have a quorum at last night's meeting. There will be no mins for this meeting.

At the next Workshop, a lady from the State will be present to talk to Council [regarding a Water Rate Study].

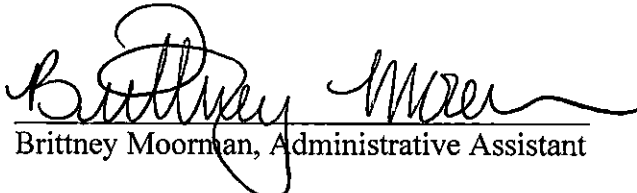
MAYOR UPDATES: None.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

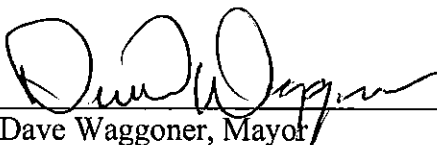
Motion by Council Member Eaton to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Mountsier. There was no public comment or council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All seven council members present voted aye. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.


Brittney Moorman, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 9th day of August 2022.

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Dave Waggoner, Mayor

Attest:



Kelly Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer

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