

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

June 25, 2024

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, was held in the Council Chambers and called to order by Council President Sparks at 6:31 p.m. on June 25, 2024.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Thomas Canape	Heidi Sparks
Michelle Mize	Jessica Banks
Casey Wheeler	Irv Wilke
Richard Klose	

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jodi Mackay

OTHER STAFF PRESENT:

Kelly Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer
Britney Harakal, Administrative Assistant
JW Hopper, Fire Chief
Travis Nagel, Assistant Fire Chief

Council President Sparks led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Wilke to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 11, 2024, as presented, seconded by Council Member Klose. With no objection, the minutes of the regular meeting of June 11, 2024, as presented, were approved. There was no public comment or Council discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Public Hearing: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving Amendments To Appropriations And Revenues For The City Of Laurel's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.

Council President Sparks opened the public hearing and asked Staff to present the item.

Clerk/Treasurer Strecker briefly introduced the item. This budget amendment includes the annual federal equitable sharing budget amendment. The Library received unexpected money from the State that they needed to spend on smaller libraries in the area. Change to SID 113 to be able to make the second half of the loan payment using its reserve fund. And to make the changes to the splash pad to account for all the donations.

Council President Sparks opened the floor for public comment and stated that copies of the rules governing the public hearing were posted in the council chambers.

Council President Sparks asked three (3) times if there were any proponents. There were none.

Council President Sparks asked three (3) times if there were any opponents. There were none.

Council President Sparks stated that he would not have Staff respond to questions as there were none.

Council President Sparks closed the public hearing.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- Claims entered through June 21, 2024.
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.

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- **Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 6/9/2024 totaling \$250,145.31.**

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

Motion by Council Member Klose to approve the consent items as presented, seconded by Council Member Wilke. With no objection, the minutes of the Consent Agenda of June 11, 2024, as presented, were approved. There was no public comment or Council discussion.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of June 11, 2024.
- Tree Board Minutes of June 13, 2024.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Appointment of Halle Prom and Kaya Lowe to the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department.**

Fire Chief Hopper introduced Ms. Lowe to the Council. Ms. Prom was unable to make it this evening due to a work obligation.

Motion by Council Member Canape to approve the Mayor's appointment of Halle Prom and Kaya Lowe to the Laurel Volunteer Fire Department, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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. R24-44: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving The Landfill Use Agreement With The City Of Billings For Use Of The City Of Billings' Landfill Facilities.**

Motion by Council Member Klose to approve Resolution No. R24-44, seconded by Council Member Wheeler. 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. R24-45: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving Amendments To Appropriations And Revenues For The City Of Laurel's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.**

Motion by Council Member Banks to approve Resolution No. R24-45, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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. R24-46: A Resolution Of The City Council Authorizing The Adoption Of The City Of Laurel Amended Capital Improvement Plan.**

Motion by Council Member Wheeler to approve Resolution No. R24-46, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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. R24-47: A Resolution Of The Council Awarding The Bid And Authorizing The Mayor To Execute All Contract And Related Documents For The Purchase Of A Custom-Chassis Fire Truck From US Fire.**

Motion by Council Member Klose to approve Resolution No. R24-47, 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. R24-48: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving The Montana Department Of Transportation Title VI Plan For The City Of Laurel Transit.**

Motion by Council Member Mize to approve Resolution No. R24-48, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION: None.

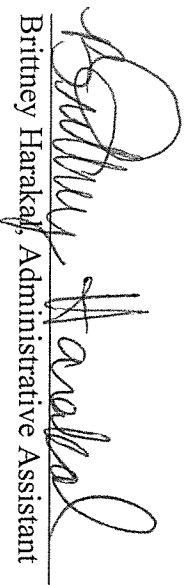
MAYOR UPDATES: None.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

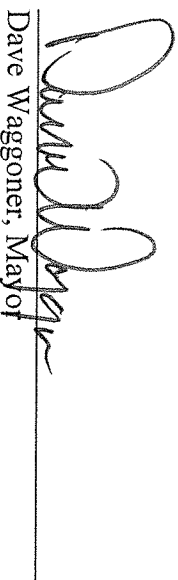
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Mize to adjourn the council meeting, seconded by Council Member Wilke. 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 6:43 p.m.


Britney Harakaj, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 9th day of July 2024.


Dave Waggoner, Mayor

Attest:


Kelly Strecker, Clerk/Treasurer

