

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL

November 28, 2023

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 6:28 p.m. on November 2023.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Emelie Eaton	Heidi Spatks
Michelle Mize	Richard Herr
Casey Wheeler	Irv Wilke
Richard Klose	Jodi Mackay

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

OTHER STAFF PRESENT:

Britney Harakal, Administrative Assistant

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

MINUTES:

Motion by Council Member Wilke to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2023, 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:

- Beartooth RC&D Correspondence.

COUNCIL DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Public Hearing For Ordinance No. O23-04: An Ordinance Amending Title 12, Chapters 12.18.010 And 12.18.060 Of The Laurel Municipal Code Related To Special Events Permits.

Mayor Waggoner opened the public hearing.

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

Mayor Waggoner asked three (3) times if there were any proponents. There were none.

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Mayor Waggoner stated that he would not have Staff respond to questions as there were none.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- Claims entered through November 24, 2023.
A complete listing of the claims and their amounts is on file in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office.
- Clerk/Treasurer Financial Statements for the month of October 2023.
- Approval of Payroll Register for PPE 11/12/2023 totaling \$243,344.31.
- Claims entered through December 8, 2023.
- Council Workshop Minutes of November 21, 2023.

The Mayor asked if there was any separation of consent items.

Claims entered through December 8, 2023, were removed from the consent agenda. That item is for a future agenda.

Motion by Council Member Klose to approve the consent items as presented, 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.

CEREMONIAL CALENDAR: None.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- Budget/Finance Committee Minutes of November 14, 2023.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (THREE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

SCHEDULED MATTERS:

- **Appointment of James Wise to the Laurel Airport Authority for the Remainder of a Five-Year Term Ending June 30, 2024.**

Motion by Council Member Eaton to approve the Mayor's appointment of James Wise to the Laurel Airport Authority for the remainder of a five-year term ending June 30, 2024, seconded by Council Member Wilke.

Mr. Wise introduced himself to the Council and thanked them for appointing him to the Airport Authority.

There was no Council discussion. A vote was taken on the motion. All eight council Members present voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

- **Resolution No. R23-87: A Resolution Of The City Council Approving A Memorandum Of Understanding For The 2023-2026 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The City Of Laurel And Local Union 316, American Federation Of State, County, And Municipal Employees, AFSCME Regarding Timecard Procedures And Boot Allowance.**

Motion by Council Member Mize to approve Resolution No. R23-87, 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. O23-04: An Ordinance Amending Title 12, Chapters 12.18.010 And 12.18.060 Of The Laurel Municipal Code Related To Special Events Permits. (Second Reading)**

Motion by Council Member Sparks to adopt Ordinance No. O23-04, 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, Mackay, Klose, Wheeler, Mize, and Eaton voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

- **Ordinance No. O23-05: An Ordinance Amending Title 12, Chapter 12.32.050 Of The Laurel Municipal Code Related To The City Tree Board. (First Reading)**

Motion by Council Member Wheeler to adopt Ordinance No. O23-05, 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, Mackay, Klose, Wheeler, Mize, and Eaton voted aye. Motion carried 8-0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA: None.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS (ONE-MINUTE LIMIT): None.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

The December Emergency Services Committee has been canceled as it falls on Christmas Day.

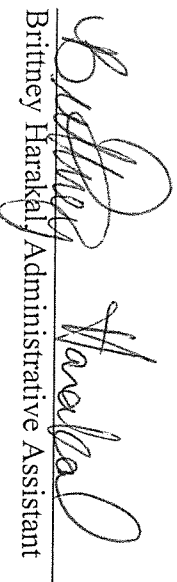
MAYOR UPDATES: None.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS: None.

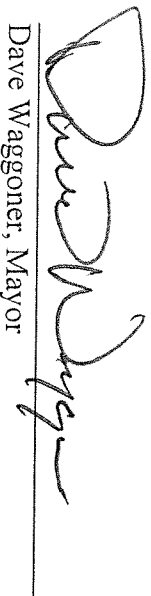
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Council Member Mackay 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 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 6:41 p.m.


Britney Harakal, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Mayor and passed by the City Council of the City of Laurel, Montana, this 12th day of December 2023.


Dave Waggoner, Mayor

Attest:


Kally Streckert, Clerk/Treasurer