**CITY OF MORO**

**MINUTES OF OCTOBER 06, 2020**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

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The Moro City Council met for a regular Council Meeting, Tuesday, October 06, 2020, 7:00 p.m,. The following were present Mayor Bert Perisho, Councilors Seth vonBorstel, Andy Anderson, James Alley, Erik Glover-City Administrator (CA), John English-Director of Public Works (DPW), Visitors- Dan Meader-and Kirk Fatland (City Planners) with Tenneson Engineering

**CONSENT AGENDA-MINUTES-BILLS-FINANCIAL REPORT**-

There was a motion **(Anderson/ vonBorstel)** to approve the September 1, 2020 Regular Council Meeting minutes**. Motion Carried**

There was a motion **(Cranston/vonBorstel)** to approve September’s bills totaling $33,483.01, check #’s 12619-12639, and 15102. **Motion Carried**

**Visitors/Correspondence**

**Amy Walker Solutions CPA Presentation of City Audit 2019-2020**

Amy Walker presented the audit. She explained that it was done in compliance with GASB specs, and no issues were noted with compliance with minimum standards. No issues with grants/compliance, no difficulties with city staff. The City had more than 1 year of expenditures in fund balance, which was a good place to be. Revenues are consistent, other than spikes from grant funds. Amy Walker added she also wanted to thank CA Glover for having things in order, and the audit went well.

**Dan Meader- City Contract Planner Housing Needs Analysis**

Dan Meader- Current City of Moro Planner introduced Kirk Fatland who would be the new city planner by the end of the year. Dan Meader provided a summary of the City of Moro housing needs analysis he planned to do. From 2040-2060 Portland State forecasted flat population growth in Sherman County, with the exception of Rufus. Sherman County is paying for the study in each Sherman County City. The study will include an analysis of utilizes and population growth.

**Brad Baird- Anderson Perry Engineering, 1st Street Sidewalk**

CA Glover provided an email from Brad Baird with Anderson Perry. CA Glover advised that Brad Baird was able to discuss the project with Crestline Construction, and they were able to reduce their overage to $11,393.41, as Council directed, from the approximate $23k initial. Crestline has been sent a check and the project is closed out.

**Citizens Comment Items on Agenda**

**\*None**

**PROJECT PRIORITIES** –

**WATER SYSTEM/Telemetry** –DPW English advised that insurance reimbursed the City $18,115, less $1,000 deductible due to recorder power spikes via Pacific Power, for a total of $17,115.00. DPW English also shared that SIMTEK performed a site visit for Cemetery Well. They found failed check valves, and a VFD setting that was running at 46 hertz instead of 55-66. The hertz were adjusted the GPM on the well increased to spec, the system was currently running on manual/hand mode as well. DPW English advised that the pump is 10 years old, and he has spoken to Brad Baird regarding replacement. With a pump at 750, and a depth of 900 feet, and all check valves being replaced on a pull/replace job it makes sense to install a new one. Following general Council discussion on the matter a motion was made (**Cranston/Alley**) to proceed with the repair/replacement of Cemetery Well, up to $30,000. **Motion Carried** The Council also directed CA Glover and DPW English to proceed with the PLC project.

**2019/2020 ODOT Small City Grant, Sidewalks Project**

CA Glover advised project finalization report has been submitted to ODOT for reimbursement, and a check was pending and he would remove from agenda. Councilor vonBorstel requested the item be left on the agenda until check was received/deposited.

**Welcome to Moro Signs** DPW English advised that solar sign lights were ordered, and he was installing. Remove it from the agenda going forward.

***Anderson Perry Engineers- Vista/Apex/Pinkerton Sewer Engineering***

DPW English advised Brad Baird was still working on the engineering work.

**Barnum Creek-** DPW English shared that he had worked with Sherman County Soil and Water and the Oregon Department of State Lands and they felt the project could be done without a permit, if the City removed less than the limit of 50cy of materials. DPW English advised that Moro Fire would be doing a controlled burn on a good day, and he was working on removing trees, and having herbicide sprayed near museum. He added that Jeff Kaser with Mid-Columbia Producers offered the City the use of a skid steer for use under the Moore Street bridge, and the County Road department will also assist. Mayor Perisho advised that the Moore Street Bridge was a 6 foot height when initially installed. Councilor Anderson inquired as to if the City was notifying any landowners about Barnum Creek being their responsibility for maintenance, going forward? It was concluded by Council to use nuisance ordinance to address it going forward. Mayor Perisho also advised that a 6 foot fence was installed in the past and it was supposed to be for erosion control, but it never seemed to do much, so it would be wise to remove it during this work. Council was in agreement. DPW English shared that tree removal would be a big cost for the City. Mayor Perisho advised that Robert Powell offered to borrow the City Backhoe, and volunteer his time to clean Barnum Creek. Following discussion, Council thanked him for the thought, but the City was not in favor of that option.

**PAST DUE WATER/SEWER ACCOUNTS** – Erik Glover (CA) advised that there were 5 shutoff notice/delinquent reminders sent this month. 4 accounts made arrangements, or paid a portion due. One account did neither..

**Approval of FY 19-20 Audit Plan of Action**

CA Glover provided the FY 19-20 Audit Plan of Action by Solutions CPA’s. Following discussion, a motion was made (**Cranston/Anderson**) to accept the plan of action, and approve the Mayor to Sign.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS CONCERNING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA  
None**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**Councilor Anderson-** Inquired about the date for the City Council long term plan work session. CA Glover advised that it was still in the works.

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 08:09 PM**

**The Next Council Meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.**

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Bert Perisho, *Mayor*

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Attest, Erik Glover, City Administrator

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