

**CITY OF YUMA  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**HYBRID REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SWEHLA AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Baucke, Ebersole, McClung, Shay, Swehla. Hoch and Smith Dischner were absent.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Scott Moore, Jerry Thompson, Candy Gilliland, Karma Wells.

**CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no corrections or additions to the Agenda.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Shay moved to approve the September 7, 2021, Agenda. Second by Ebersole. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Shay moved to approve the August 17, 2021, Minutes. Second by Baucke. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

**CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**ACTION ITEMS**

- A. **LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR NELSON INN – LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY, KARMA WELLS.** Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated that the Nelson Inn has turned in the necessary paperwork to renew their liquor license. There have been no issues. Baucke moved to approve the liquor license renewal for Nelson Inn. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. **LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR LA CABANA DEL AMIGO – LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY, KARMA WELLS.** Clerk/Treasurer Wells stated that La Cabana Del Amigo has turned in the necessary paperwork to renew their liquor license. There have been no issues. Ebersole moved to approve the liquor license renewal for La Cabana Del Amigo. Second by Baucke. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- C. **HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated that he is looking for approval to stay with CEBT for our 2022 health insurance coverage. There will be a 2% increase, which is pretty minimal. If all employee coverage information remains the same as it is now, that would be an annual increase of \$12,168.00. Baucke moved to approve the CEBT health insurance renewal for 2022. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- D. **STREET CLOSURE FOR CATHOLIC CHURCH – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated that he provided Council with details of a street closure request for the Catholic Church at the last council meeting. The Catholic Church is requesting the closure on Sunday, September 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Baucke moved to approve the street closure. Second by Ebersole. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

- E. **APPROVAL OF BILLS – KARMA WELLS.** Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with an additional list of bills. Shay moved to approve the bills. Second by McClung. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.
- F. **PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated that he wanted to provide information on possibly leasing a new folder/stuffer machine for the Clerk’s office. The current machine is 7 years old and is at the end of its useful life. A new machine would cost approximately \$10,000.00. The other option is to lease a machine which would include the maintenance of the machine. We could lease a new machine on a 5 year lease for approximately the same price as purchasing a machine with the maintenance agreement. Manager Moore stated he is just looking to Council for approval to proceed. It may be necessary to vote on a lease at the next council meeting. The general consensus from Council was to move forward with the lease of a new folder/stuffer machine.

Manager Moore stated that as part of the Lake Yuma project, the existing sprinkler system needed to be extended in order for all of the sod to receive water. We were not notified of this by the engineers of the project. We went ahead and extended the system, but now need approval to pay Evergreen Landscapes the \$15,020.40 that we owe them for doing that work. Shay moved to approve payment to Evergreen Landscapes in the amount of \$15,020.40. Second by Ebersole. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Manager Moore presented Council with a bill dated 6/8/21, in the amount of \$5,884.50, to Denver Industrial Sales and Service for crack seal material. He and Clerk/Treasurer Wells believe this was approved at an earlier council meeting, but cannot locate it in the Minutes. To be on the safe side, he is asking for approval from Council now. Baucke moved to approve the payment to Denver Industrial Sales and Service in the amount of \$5,884.50. Second by Shay. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

Manager Moore stated he is also seeking approval for the purchase of turnout coats and pants for the Fire Department. This purchase would be made from Sea Western, in the amount of \$5,392.55. This is a 2021 budget item. Baucke moved to approve the purchase from Sea Western in the amount of \$5,392.55. Second by McClung. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

None.

#### **REPORTS**

##### **CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE**

Manager Moore received a request from Napa for an alley closure behind their location going north to 3<sup>RD</sup> Avenue. They would like this done from September 14, through September 17, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. They need this in order to move to their new location. The request was not received in time to be put on the Agenda for this meeting, so Manager Moore is asking that a special meeting be called for approval of the closure. Discussion was held. It was decided to hold a virtual meeting on Thursday, September 9, at 11:00 a.m.

##### **CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS**

None.

## **CHIEF OF POLICE, JERRY THOMPSON**

Chief Thompson stated that he had emailed the August Police Report to Council.

## **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

McClung

- Council Member McClung stated that the Yuma County Landfill was approved for a \$25,000.00 recycling grant, that will allow the recycling of glass, plastic and paper.

Shay

- Council Member Shay stated that he attended the Clerk's office committee meeting in August. Discussion was held on labor issues and possible solutions.
- Council Member Shay also attended the NECALG meeting on August 18, which was held virtually. He stated that the shuttle bus rides have increased to pre-Covid levels. NECALG also held a Meet-and-Greet in Fort Morgan.

Manager Moore approached Council regarding a letter received by Ms. Teresa Roubideaux regarding water run-off as part of the new construction at the High School. Engineers and the State gave their approval of the drainage plan. Manager Moore and representatives from the High School have tried to contact Ms. Roubideaux, but have been unable to reach her.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Shay moved to adjourn. Second by Ebersole. Question. 5 ayes. Motion carried.

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Ron Swehla  
Mayor

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Karma Wells, CMC  
City Clerk/Treasurer