

**CITY OF YUMA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR SWEHLA.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Baucke, Ebersole, Hoch, McClung, Shay, Smith-Dischner, Swehla.

STAFF PRESENT: Scott Moore, Jerry Thompson, 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 October 6, 2020, Agenda as presented. Second by Baucke. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ebersole moved to approve the September 15, 2020, Minutes as presented. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION AND INTRODUCTION/PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

YUMA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATION– PHIL RIGGLEMAN

Mr. Phil Riggleman, Director of Yuma County Economic Development, updated Council on several items. Mr. Riggleman has contacted and met with people regarding housing costs and some possible funding to help with these costs. Mr. Riggleman has been working with the Counselor's at the schools to try to connect kids and parents with our businesses. This will have to be done more virtual now. Also, Mr. Riggleman and Manager Moore met with some realtors regarding the Shopko building. Funding requested for Yuma County Economic Development for 2020 was \$10,000 and the request will stay the same for 2021.

PRESENTATION REGARDING AIRPORT FUEL FARM – JULIE THIESSEN WITH ARMSTRONG CONSULTANTS

Ms. Julie Thiessen, with Armstrong Consultants, stated currently there is not a fuel farm at the airport and if someone flies in and needs fuel, they can purchase it from someone at the airport that has fuel available. When the fuel farm is installed people flying in will have to purchase their fuel from the City and not private companies. The City budgeted \$500,000 for the fuel farm. Projections were the farm would cost around \$450,000, but now it looks the like cost will be closer to \$490,000. The City has a grant from the State of Colorado for \$405,000 and the City's portion will now be approximately \$85,000. There are no projections for the revenue the fuel farm will bring in. Discussion was held.

UPDATE FROM YUMA DISTRICT HOSPITAL – BETH SAXTON

Ms. Beth Saxton and Mr. Heath Horton, F.N.P, with the Yuma District Hospital, provided an update on COVID-19.

PROPOSAL FROM TRENT BUSHNER

Mr. Trent Bushner approached City Council regarding allowing alcohol in the streets. Mr. Bushner sent an Ordinance from Steamboat Springs to Clerk/Treasurer Wells allowing different areas of town to have alcohol in the streets for the City's review.

PRESENTATION FROM YUMA CHAMBER ON POST 5K FUN FINISH ON MAIN – SAMMY TROSTEL

Ms. Sammy Trostel, with the Chamber of Commerce, updated Council on the proposed Post 5K Activities. Trick or Treat Street, October 30, also is being scheduled. Street closures will be needed for both events.

PRESENTATION OF THE PRELIMINARY 2021 BUDGET – SCOTT MOORE

Manager Moore presented Council with the Preliminary 2021 Budget.

ACTION ITEMS

- A. PUBLIC HEARING ON POTENTIAL HOME OCCUPATION AT 617 SOUTH BIRCH – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated all the paperwork has been turned in and the fee paid for a home occupation at 617 South Birch Street. Ms. Marina Hansen stated she is requesting to have an independent civil engineer office in her house. Public hearing was opened. No comments were made. Public hearing was closed. Ebersole moved to approve the home occupation at 617 South Birch. Second by Smith-Dischner. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- B. HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated our health insurance through CEBT is increasing by approximately 5.5%. This amounts to approximately \$30,000 per year. We need approval from Council to continue with CEBT. Discussion was held. McClung moved to approve the health insurance renewal with CEBT. Second by Hoch. Question. 6 ayes. 1 abstain (Smith-Dischner). Motion carried.
- C. APPROVAL OF BILLS – KARMA WELLS.** Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with an additional list of bills. Baucke moved to pay the bills. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- D. PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore requested approval of a quote to replace the asphalt on South Albany between First and Third Avenues and North Main from Railroad Avenue to Foch or Hoag Avenue. Quotes were received from Simon Construction for \$73,695 and McCormick Excavation for \$50,354.92. Quotes were for approximately the same quantity. Shay moved to approve the quote from McCormick Excavation for \$50,354.92. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.
- E. CARES ACT SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF APPLICATION REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION – SCOTT MOORE.** Manager Moore stated there are 8 complete applications for review and consideration.

Ebersole moved to approve the application from Pot Belly's. Second by Shay. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Ebersole moved to approve the application from Wildlee. Second by Hoch. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Ebersole moved to approve the application from Spa 34. Second by Hoch. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Shay moved to approve the application for Quality Plating. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Ebersole moved to approve the application for Hoch Enterprises. Second by Shay. Question. 6 ayes. 1 abstain (Hoch). Motion carried.

Shay moved to approve the application from Boughman Printing. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Hoch moved to approve the application from JCon Construction. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Shay moved to approve the application from Kentec Communications. Second by Hoch. Question. 6 ayes. 1 nay (McClung). Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER, SCOTT MOORE

Manager Moore stated there was a request to reestablish a drinking fountain at the City Park. The drinking fountain should be in working order shortly.

CITY CLERK/TREASURER, KARMA WELLS

Clerk/Treasurer Wells provided Council with the finance report for August.

CHIEF OF POLICE, JERRY THOMPSON

Chief Thompson stated there is Coffee with a Cop set up at the Club October 7.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Ebersole

- Council Member Ebersole thanked the City for the gravel and the work at the dog pound.

Hoch

- Council Member Hoch stated everyone should continue to follow the CDC guidelines and he would like to see the numbers for COVID start to go down.

McClung

- Council Member McClung stated he attended the Landfill Meeting. They are not currently doing plastic recycling. Major repairs were needed to repair the scrapper motor for \$68,000.
- Council Member McClung also stated he attended the Yuma County Water Authority Meeting. The Bonnie Reclamation Project is trying to move forward searching for a new funding source. A more critical issue is how things will move forward agriculturally and economically.

Swehla

- Mayor Swehla encouraged Council Members to spend time with Clerk/Treasurer Wells, Chief Thompson, and Manager Moore to understand all the departments and what everyone does.

ADJOURNMENT

Hoch moved to adjourn. Second by Ebersole. Question. 7 ayes. Motion carried.

Ron Swehla
Mayor

Karma Wells, CMC
City Clerk/Treasurer