

CITY OF FLORENCE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 2019

1. Mayor Ore called the regular meeting of the Florence City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll call	-	Mayor Ore	-	Present
		Councilman Baker	-	Present
		Councilman Vendetti	-	Present
		Councilman Upton	-	Present
		Councilwoman Smith	-	Present
		Councilman Villagrana	-	Present
		Allen Knisley	-	Present

Others present – City Manager Mike Patterson, Public Works Director Sam Elstun, City Clerk Dena Lozano, Police Chief Mike DeLaurentis, and City Attorney Matt Krob, Finance Officer Lori Cobler, and Water Superintendent Brandon Harris

3. Visitors-

a. No visitors

4. Additions/Deletions/Corrections to Agenda- City Clerk Dena Lozano explained that there was a correction on the meeting minutes from January 7, 2019. Ms. Lozano requested that she be allowed to amend the meeting minutes from January 7, 2019 to include Councilor Pat Smith as present.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda Items- Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the items on the consent agenda as amended. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote 7 ayes.

6. Public Hearings-

a. Public Hearing for Special Events Liquor Permit for the Florence Elks #611 located at 131 East Front Street- City Clerk Dena Lozano reported that all paperwork had been submitted and all fees were paid. Ms. Lozano explained that this application is for a Dance with music by the Atomic Fire Balls on February 9, 2019 from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Mayor Ore opened the public hearing. There were no comments from the public so he closed the public hearing. Mayor Ore opened the City Council to the local licensing authority. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the special events application. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

b. Public Hearing and Emergency Reading of Ordinance 01-22-2019A amending chapter 4 of title 13 of the Florence Municipal Code by adding sections 500 through 510 addressing backflow prevention devices- Water Superintendent

Brandon Harris explained that by approving changes to backflow prevention ordinance with an emergency clause, it will allow him to meet all deadlines with the state. Mr. Harris reviewed all changes with the City Council and discussed emergency ordinance in detail. Mayor Ore opened the public hearing at 7:26 p.m. Paula Svinchek reported how pleasant Mr. Harris had been to a resident in town while explaining the changes to the ordinance. Mayor Ore closed the public hearing at 7:27 p.m. Councilor Villagrana moved to pass the emergency ordinance. Councilor Upton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

c. Public Hearing and 1st Reading of Ordinance 01-22-2019B amending section 17.36.020 and 17.36.030 of the Florence Municipal Code amending the permitted uses and development standards for the recreational vehicle park zoning- City Planning Director Wade Broadhead reviewed the changes in detail with the City Council for the permitted uses and development standards for the recreational vehicle parking zone ordinance. Mayor Ore opened the public hearing at 7:37,p.m. there was no comment from the public. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the first reading of ordinance 01-22-2019B. Councilor Upton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

7. Unfinished Business-

a. Approval of Addendum to Agreement for Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. extending 2018 Resurfacing project to May 31, 2019-Public Works Director Sam Elstun requested approval of the addendum to agreement for Martin Marietta Materials Inc. Due to the weather, Martin Marietta is requesting an extension to June 1, 2019. Martin Marietta has offered to mill transverse butt joints at the beginning and the ending of each street being overlaid at no charge to the City. Councilor Upton moved to approve the addendum to agreement. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

8. New Business

a. Approval of purchase for Public Works Department of a Mini Excavator- Public Works Director Sam Elstun requested approval for a mini excavator for the Public Works department. Mr. Elstun stated that they would like to purchase the Bobcat E20 T4ZTS compact excavator for \$28,657.00. Originally, they were looking at including and auger attachment but decided later that they do not need it. Councilor Upton moved to approve the public works Bobcat mini excavator for \$28,657.00. Councilor Smith seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

b. Approval of purchase for Public Works PJ Trailer 6” Channel Equipment Tilt Trailer for \$6,965.03- Public Works Director Sam Elstun requested approval for

tilt trailer. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve the purchase of tilt trailer for \$6,965.03. Councilor Baker seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

c. Approval to add/delete signers from Rocky Mountain Bank and Trust- City Manager Michael Patterson requested that council remove Paul Villagrana as a signer and add Richard Upton as a signer. Councilor Villagrana moved to approve removing himself as a signer and add Richard Upton as a signer. Councilor Upton seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes

d. Authorize City Manager to waive late fees for qualifying federal employees during partial government shut down- Councilor Upton moved to approve the authorization for City Manager to waive late fees for qualifying federal employees during partial government shut down. Councilor Vendetti seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote- 7 ayes.

e. Action for additions/deletions/corrections-No Action

9. Mayor's Report-

a. No Report

Committee Reports-

*Councilor Upton reported that the Upper Arkansas Area Council of Governments will not be affected by the partial government shut down until February. Councilor Upton also reported on the school board meeting. There have been no further advancements in plans with the middle school. Councilor Upton also reported on the opioid panel and how interesting it is to see how many are involved in fixing the problem at hand.

*Councilor Smith reported on how interesting the FEDC banquet was. Councilor Smith also reported that there is a Historic Preservation meeting Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

*Councilor Villagrana gave kudos to Florence Brewing Company for setting up an event to help the Federal Government families in need. Councilor Villagrana also reported that the Chili Bowl will take place on Saturday January 26, 2019 starting at 11 a.m.

10. City Attorney Report – City Attorney Matt Krob stated he is working on projects on his list.

11. Department Head Report-

Police Department-. No Report

Public Works- Public Works Director Sam Elstun stated he is working with CH2M to go over road projects for the year.

Water Department-Water Superintendent Brandon Harris reported on new water compressor that was approved by the City Council a few weeks ago.

Finance Officer- Finance Officer Lori Cobler reported that the end of year financials are not yet ready due to accounts payable still coming in.

Planning Department- City Planning Director Wade Broadhead reported that he will set up a Planning Commission goal setting session at the next meeting. Mr. Broadhead also thanked City Clerk Dena Lozano for her hard work at the City.

City Clerk- No Report

12. City Manager Report- City Manager Michael Patterson reported on Glen Norberg's interest in painting a mural on the water tower in Florence. The City Council gave Mr. Patterson permission to meet regarding painting the tower. Mr. Patterson also informed the City Council that the Federal Prison is unable to pay their water bill but have committed to paying all late fees associated with the bill. Mr. Patterson informed the City Council that City Clerk Dena Lozano will be with the City until February 1st. Mr. Patterson thanked Ms. Lozano for all of her work with the City.

13. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.