

**THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ECHO HELD A REGULAR MEETING ON THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE CITY HALL, 20 S. BONANZA, ECHO, OREGON.**

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**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Jeanie Hampton, Janie Enright, Jerry Gaunt, Gayle Yoder, Karl Jensen, Tammie Williams.

**ABSENT:** Robert Harris.

**STAFF/CITY CONTRACTORS PRESENT:** Diane Berry, City Administrator-Recorder, Darin Tuil, Public Works Director, Peggy Haines, City Clerk.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Richard & Kathy Thew, Rick & Nevaeh Thew, Kent & Laura Madison, Alvin Umphres, Mayela Dela Fuente, Vera Burres, Don Reese, Pam & Dana Reese, Debbie Royer.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Mayor lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m. The sign-in sheet was passed around for those attending to sign.

**OATH OF OFFICE:** City Administrator-Recorder Diane Berry administered the Oath of Office to Tammie Williams.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Gayle Yoder said that Elisa Rays name was not listed in the minutes as being present. Janie Enright moved and Gayle Yoder seconded a motion to adopt the council minutes as corrected. Vote: all ayes.

**Public Comments** Mr. Richard Thew, Sr. said he and his wife had moved to Echo to be close to his children and grandchildren. They are enjoying being here and he wanted to thank the council for their service.

Jessie Holben said she would like to become more involved in the community. She said there weren't many clubs listed on the city website and thinks it might need updating. She would like more information on which clubs and organizations there are so she can become more involved. She was approached by Kayak about getting on the agenda. Berry said she had been talking to Kayak and they are going to make a presentation, but we discussed waiting until May to see how many ridership surveys were returned. The city has also been discussing schedules with Susan Johnson from Kayak and these are available at city hall for people to view.

Vera Burres spoke about Kayak.

Kent Madison said he wanted to give an update on the Northgate project. They have started to have it surveyed.

**6th Grade Presentation:** The 6th Grade Class has been working on a presentation on safety. They provided notebooks with information, concerns and parental surveys. The council will review this and get back to them.

**RESOLUTION 447-18:** This resolution allowing a vote for formation of an Animal Control Tax District was read by title only as copies have been posted and provided to the council. Janie Enright moved and Karl Jensen seconded a motion to approve the resolution. Vote: all ayes.

**RESOLUTION 446-18:** Resolution 446-17 which adopts Annexation Fees was read, as the city attorney made a few minor wording changes to the one that was posted and provided to the council prior to the meeting. Vote: all ayes but Tammie Williams-nay.

**RESOLUTION 445-18:** A Resolution setting new Dog Control Fees was tabled.

**POLICE REPORT:** The council reviewed the police reports from the last two months. The mayor reported all the problems listed on Sprague St. have been resolved, as the occupants moved out of Echo.

**Golf Report:** Golf Course financial report was provided. Darin Tuil reported everything is going well. Williams asked about the revenue report. Berry said the revenues for green fees and dues are the amounts receipted the month shown and cartshed is a running total for the year with each month added to the total. She asked about snack bar and liquor sales. Berry said those are the managers so those are not receipted by the city.

**Public Works:** Tuil reported that he will be continuing to pump effluent to the river through the end of the month. He has had problems with the pump losing its seal. The problem is not related to the recent power outages as the lagoons are on Umatilla Electric. Trevor Morris cleaned dead plants out of the Main Street circle gardens and Sharon Lilly volunteered to help. Janie Enright cleared out the fire hall flower garden. Yoder asked about the grease in the sewer system. Tuil reported that the wet well was where the grease accumulated. The wet well was pumped out last year, so it should be ok for a while. He usually has to have it pumped out every two years.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S Report:**

**Season Noise Permit:** Berry said the amended noise code allowed her to issue permits for entertainment in commercial/light industrial areas until 10 pm, but if the request is for longer, they must get council approval. This was discussed and the

council decided to give a trial extension to Echo Ridge Cellars for Prom until 11 p.m. and see how it goes. Jensen moved and Enright seconded the motion. All ayes.

**Tree Board/Fair:** The Echo City Council acts as its own Tree Board. Berry and the Mayor reported on the Tree Fair. Mayor Hampton read the proclamation during the fair. This is our 29 consecutive year as a Tree City and there are 63 Tree Cities in Oregon this year. Elementary students, K-4 grade rotate between 6 stations: Forest Service, Tree Posters, Story time, Tree rubbings/Scavenger Hunt, Tree Bingo and Refreshments. The Forest Service representative drew cartoons and examples are in front of the council. Tree Photos and posters are still on display in the room. The council judged the Tree Posters from the fair.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business before the council Yoder moved and Jensen seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eujeana Hampton/Mayor

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Diane Berry/City Administrator-Rec.