**ASOTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**January 23, 2023**

**Asotin City Hall, 121 Cleveland Street, Asotin WA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dwayne Paris called the City Council Meeting to order at **5**:30p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Dwayne Paris led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL:** Steve Cowdrey, Lori Loseth, Craig Stein, David Weakland, and Tim Ottmar

1. **STAFF PRESENT:** Tina Davidson, City Clerk Treasurer
2. **PUBLIC HEARING:** None

1. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- PUBLIC COMMENT**:
2. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**Minutes of January 9, 2023 Regular Meeting**

Payroll Checks 12/30/2022: #s 45887- 45890 including EFTs; $15,506.81

Expense Checks 12/31/2022: #s 45897- 45917; $17,211.20 and 01/23/2023: #s 45886- 45919 including EFT’s; $10,118.20

Voids -

**Motion to Approve Consent Calendar, Cowdrey/Loseth, motion passed 5/0**

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
2. **NEW BUSINESS****:**
3. Asotin County Recovery Navigator Program Memorandum of Understanding of the Policy Coordinating Group and Operational Work Group:

Monte sits on this Board and will be the main contact for this MOU. This is just another tool in the tool kit for helping with issues that don’t require Jail or a Hospital.

**Motion to Allow Mayor to Sign MOU for the RNP, Cowdrey/Weakland, motion passed 5/0**

1. Fair Board has requested the use of the park during fair. They would like to have the whole park for the full weekend. After much discussion it was decided that they would be able to rent the RV spots from the city if needed. Tina will let the fair board know of the decision.
2. **CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR REPORTS:**

**XI. CLERK’S REPORT: None**

**XII. DEPARTMENTS:**

1. **POLICE DEPARTMENT: None - Monte will provide next week.**
2. **FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Mayor Paris, reported that the Fire Department had over 112 calls, about ½ of those were medical. They completed 500 hours of training. They currently have 15 volunteers.

Dwayne also reported that he went and picked up a new fire truck that was given to us by DNR. This is a 2012 fire truck, only needs some minor upgrades with lights and radio, but other than that it is ready to go. The only stipulation with DNR is if they need assistance with help.

* **PLANNING COMMISSION:** Next Meeting April 7, 2023 @ 7:00 - Regular Scheduled Meeting
1. **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**

**Steve Cowdrey-**None

**Lori Loseth**- **CORRECTION TO LAST MINUTES: LORI LOSETH PRESENT ON 1/9/23**

**Tim Ottmar-**None

**David Weakland**- None

**Craig Stein-** None.

1. **MAYOR’S REPORT:**

Property located at 1214 Third Street; this property has been sitting vacant for years. Hud had control over the estate. However, the family now has position and is trying to get it fixed up to sell. They have requested a relief in the Late Fees. There is currently $1,100 in fees since 2016. The remained of the bill in the amount of $5, 187.91 will be paid when the house sells. After much discussion, it was agreed by all to dismiss the late fees.

 **XV. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None**

**XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Litigation – 15 Min Starting 5:45-6:00. extended 15 min to**

 **6:15 – Upon return from Executive Session:**

* **Council Member Steve Cowdrey made a motion to Authorize the Mayor to REJECT Mr. Hoods current settlement offer of $50,000, Council Member Loseth seconded, the motion passed 5/0.**
* **Council Member Steve Cowdrey made a motion to Authorize Mayor to work with Legal Counsel to file an Offer of Judgement in the Eric Hood case in the amount of $15,000. Council Member Weakland seconded, the motion passed 5/0**

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT:** **Motion to adjourn by Cowdrey/Weakland, Motion passed. 5/0**

 Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.

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Mayor Dwayne Paris

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Tina Davidson, City Clerk-Treasurer