

ASOTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 24 2023
Asotin City Hall, 121 Cleveland Street, Asotin WA

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Dwayne Paris called the City Council Meeting to order at 5:30p.m.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Dwayne Paris led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. ROLL CALL:** Steve Cowdrey, Lori Loseth, Craig Stein, David Weakland, and Tim Ottmar
- IV. STAFF PRESENT:** Tina Davidson, City Clerk Treasurer
- V. PUBLIC HEARING:** None
- VI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- PUBLIC COMMENT:**
Dlynn Ottmar stated that she feels that reading the meters during the winter is very important. It will keep people from getting a huge bill in April, and if it was done throughout the winter, then you wouldn't have to wait until April to find out you had a leak.
- VII. CONSENT CALENDAR:**
Minutes of April 10th, 2023 Regular Meeting
Payroll Ck# 46101-46105 including EFTs; \$15,515.14
Expense Checks Ck# 46106 - 46131 including EFT's; \$78,622.33
Voids: Ck#'s 46098 - 46100
Motion to Approve Consent Calendar, Cowdrey/Stein, motion passed 5/0
- VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
- IX. NEW BUSINESS:**
- X. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR REPORTS:**
- XI. CLERK'S REPORT:** Tina reported the Fair is here and the vendors for the street fair is filling up.
- XII. DEPARTMENTS:**
POLICE DEPARTMENT: None.
FIRE DEPARTMENT: None
PLANNING COMMISSION: No one showed from P & Z, No committee member, nor their recommended new candidate. Therefore, this is tabled until they attend a meeting. No member of any committee will be approved, without making sure they qualify, and they must be introduced to the council in order for them to approve him as a member.
- XIII. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**
Steve Cowdrey-None
Lori Loseth- None
Tim Ottmar-Community Center questions, but will address under Mayor report.
David Weakland- None
Craig Stein- Craig reported on the MPO board meeting he attended. They are getting ready to surplus on old transit bus and looking to buying a new one to replace it. Looking into replacing all transit buses with electric, but with the cost involved it will be a longtime coming. Stein had a question on responsibility of sidewalk repair due to waterline break. Mayor Paris stated he will have to do some research on it and get back to him with an answer. Mayor Paris

would like a statement from Craig Stein to show the insurance company. The area in question is on Appleford where the waterline broke a few years back.

XIV. MAYOR’S REPORT:

Mayor Paris sent out an invitation for the PAYGROUND RIBBON CUTTING on May 2 at 11:00am to several people. Tina and Dessa are working on getting some other participants as well. The school is going to bring kids over for a sack lunch, Asotin Fire, Asotin Police, Asotin County Police and Fire will be there. Also, we sent out some letters to businesses asking for donations on the ADA swings and have heard back from a few businesses that want to help sponsor those, so they have also been invited to grand opening.

Mayor Paris also reported on the community center and the repair that is needed. There is no simple fix, anything that is done to the building has to meet the historical register guidelines. Which makes it very difficult. The only solution to keep the doors open, is to lock the door to the downstairs. This means no running water and no restroom in the building. This would mean this would only be used as a meeting area. Therefore, it is recommended that we change the name from “Community Center” to Community Meeting Rentals. That would indicate that there are no facilities available. We will draw up a resolution to change the name and to discuss the amount for rentals. For the rentals that we currently have in there, need to be contacted and told of the change and they can either cancel their reservations or accept under these conditions.

Mayor Paris also stated that he is going to run again for Mayor! Also, up for re-election is David Weakland, Lori Loseth, and Craig Stein. They will need to register by May 15, 2023 online.

Council Member Steve Cowdrey asked the mayor what was the condition of the Asotin Fire Truck. Mayor Paris replied that it is long overdue. Cowdrey stated that he would like to look into what we need to do to start putting money away, or do a bond, whatever needs to be done, we need to get started on it now.

XV. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

XVII. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Cowdrey/Weakland, Motion passed. 5/0
Meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Mayor Dwayne Paris

Tina Davidson, City Clerk-Treasurer