

ASOTIN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
October 10, 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, and David Weakland
- IV. STAFF PRESENT:** Tina Davidson, Clerk-Treasurer
PUBLIC PRESENT: Elaine Nagel, Theresa Bailey
PUBLIC HEARING: None
- V. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- PUBLIC COMMENT:**
Gail (not signed in) asked some questions regarding the update of website. She stated that she has been reviewing the information and it does not appear to be current. She asked who does the updating of information and why the current minutes are not posted. Dwayne stated that Tina Davidson is the person who does those changes and the minutes do not get posted until they have been approved by council, so for two weeks possibly longer.
She also inquired about her call into Law Enforcement the other evening, for children that were running around her house, jumping on her car. When the police showed up the kids were just told to go home. She would like to see something done about giving the kids something to do here on this side of the river, some type of a community center to have activities for the kids in the evenings and weekends.
She asked if Asotin has a curfew? Dwayne replied that no there is not a curfew law in the city of Asotin.
Theresa Bailey wanted to clarify if there would be a workshop this evening. Dwayne stated that Tina had sent her an email letting her know there would not be a budget workshop tonight. We don't have all the numbers we need; therefore, we cannot move forward until the County provides us with those numbers.
- VI. CONSENT CALENDAR:**
Minutes of September 25th, 2023 Regular Meeting
Payroll 9/30/2023 Ck# 44500 - 46498 including EFTs; \$24,596.81
Expense Claims 10/10/2023 Ck# 44503 - 44529 including EFT's; \$41,111.39
Voids: Ck#:
Motion to Approve Consent Calendar, Cowdrey/Stein, motion passed 4/0
Motion to Approve Tim Ottmar absence, Weakland/Cowdrey, motion passed 4/0
- VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS:** None
- IX. CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR REPORTS:** None
- X. CLERK'S REPORT:** Tina reported on Personnel Raises/Budget Workshop.
Worksheets were provided to council members with the current pay rates. The 2024 proposal is for a 3% raise for Clerk Treasurer and the Deputy Clerk. Union Members were approved in 2023 for a 3% in 2024. The council agreed that the raises to be granted. We are still waiting on numbers from the county and once we receive those, we will schedule the budget workshop.
- XI. DEPARTMENTS:**
POLICE DEPARTMENT: None
FIRE DEPARTMENT: None
PLANNING COMMISSION: Meeting: Oct 5, 2023. – No Quorum-No Meeting
- XIII. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**

Steve Cowdrey- Steve Cowdrey with the Public Safety committee reported that they have endorsed a one-time salary adjustment for the police chief position to become 85K per year starting in 2024.

Lori Loseth - None

Tim Ottmar Absent

David Weakland - None

Craig Stein- None

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Paris reported that Monte had sponsored a USE OF FORCE Training to Law Enforcement personnel for the State of Washington. Tina was able to participate in this to assist with the logistics of the meeting. It was very well attended and brought in law enforcement from all over.

Mayor Paris also reported that the painting of the Community Center-Church will start on the 16th weather permitting. During the construction the center will be closed to the public as well as the area around the center.

XIV. RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

XVII. ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Weakland/Cowdrey, Motion passed. 4/0

Meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.

Dwayne Paris, Mayor

Tina Davidson, City Clerk-Treasurer