

MEETING OF THE CITY OF CONNELL, WASHINGTON  
CONNELL, FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
June 03, 2019

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Connell City Council was called to order by Mayor Barrow at 6:00 pm in the City Hall and was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Lee Barrow and Councilmember's: Mayor Pro Tem Ray Minor, Kathie Silva and Joe Escalera.

ABSENT: Councilmember White moved to excuse Councilmember Kathie Silva.  
No second motion carried.

STAFF: City Administrator Maria Peña, Deputy City Clerk Marissa Ortiz, Public Works Director Hallie Tuck, Police Chief Chris Turner, Deputy Treasurer Genesis Bernal, Fire Chief Ken Woffenden and City Attorney Dan Hultgrenn.

CONSENT CALENDAR

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Minor moved to approve the consent calendar as presented:

- a) Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting May 20, 2019
- b) Accounts payable 6/03/19 for \$156,957.70
- c) Payroll Register 5/15/19-5/20/19 for \$62,982.99

Councilmember Escala seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion:** Mayor Pro Tem Minor moved to approve the agenda as presented. Councilmember Barrera seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING- SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2020-2025  
Mayor Barrow recessed the regular meeting at 6:02 pm and opened a Public Hearing to allow for comment and discussion regarding the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan 2020-2025.

STAFF REPORT: Public Works Director Hallie Tuck stated Connell's Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is the funding mechanism for expensive capital improvements to Connell's multimodal transportation network. Provided to Council was Connell's previous STIP for 2019-2024. The Street Committee was scheduled to meet and discuss the 2019 STIP and make recommendations for the 2020 STIP Plan. Public Works Director Tuck would present a resolution for Council at the next Council Meeting on June 17. It would adopt and update the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan.

PUBLIC COMMENT:  
None

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COUNCILMEMBERS COMMENT PORTION OF THE HEARING:  
None

Mayor Barrow closed the hearing and opened the regular meeting at 6:09 p.m.

ORDINANCE NO. 1000-2019 AMEND CMC 7.04.340 BILLING FOR GARBAGE  
COLLECTION

Attached for Council's discussion was draft Ordinance No. 1000-2019, it would provide for additional language that related to who was responsible for sanitation charges. City Administrator Maria Peña reminded Council that in 2016 the billing for sanitation services was taken over by Basin Disposal Inc. The City had not had any significant issues but there had been one reoccurring question regarding delinquent accounts. City Administrator Peña informed that the City's code specified that sanitation collection was mandatory for all occupants in the City. A few cases had come up where residents had their garbage cans picked up due to non-payment. Recently BDI had been approached by Connell Park Estates regarding having BDI bill each tenant. The company's concern would be that there would be more issues with cans being removed due to non-payment. The additional wording in the draft ordinance would help mitigate the issue by ultimately holding the property owner responsible for all charges and costs for sanitation services and that a lien could be placed on the property. Not only would it affect the Connell Park Estates, but it would affect all property owner within the city.

*Council's consensus was to not move forward with adopting the ordinance.*

FIRE ACCESS ROAD AGREEMENT

City Administrator Maria Peña announced that James & Stacey Ferguson of Connell, WA had requested that the city approve the construction of their new home to Lot 3 without first having to complete the Fire Access Road as required per the short plat. Shot Plat No. 2009-04 was approved in 2009 and it allowed for a 20-foot-wide Fire Access Road through Lots 1 & 2 to reach Lots 3 & 4. This would allow construction to take place on Lots 3 & 4 prior to the construction of the Ford Avenue extension that was listed within the six-year transportation project list. This extension had been removed from the project list as it wasn't a realistic project. The Ferguson's would like to start construction but due to wording on the short plat were not able to do any site work or be issued a building permit until complete construction of the Fire Access Road. By executing the agreement provided, they would not have to complete construction of the road until one year after the issuance of an occupancy permit, allowing them to install utilities and build.

**Motion:** Councilmember Escalera moved to approve the Fire Access Road Agreement with James & Stacey Ferguson. Councilmember Barrera seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Emma Garcia –

Requested to be allowed to keep two chickens that she owns at her home. She added that she had a fenced yard and her hens were kept within the fence.

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Discussion was held regarding chickens in the city, Connell Municipal Code prohibits poultry within the city limits.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business before the City Council of Connell Mayor Barrow adjourned the meeting at 6:37 pm.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marissa Ortiz, Deputy City Clerk

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Lee Barrow, Mayor