

MEETING OF THE CITY OF CONNELL, WASHINGTON
CONNELL, FRANKLIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
August 19, 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: John White, Mayor Pro Tem Minor, Kathie Silva, Pat Barrera and Joe Escalera.

STAFF: City Administrator Maria Peña, Deputy City Clerk Marissa Ortiz, Public Works Director Hallie Tuck, Police Chief Chris Turner, 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 August 15, 2019
- b) Accounts payable 8/19/19 for \$183,633.06
- c) Payroll Register 7/31/19 – 8/5/19 for \$99,345.03

Councilmember White seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CITY ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT RENEWAL
TABLED

COUNTRY ESTATES SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

Public Works Director Hallie Tuck reported as previously discussed with Council an opportunity was available to apply for a low interest financing loan from Public Works Board (PWB) for construction of the Country Estates/Striker Sewer Project. City Staff submitted the application and received notice that the City was selected for the loan funding. Provided for Council's review was a Task Order Agreement from Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc. for the Engineering Services on this project.

Motion: Councilmember Silva moved to approve the Agreement for Engineering Services on the Country Estates Sewer Improvements, not to exceed \$140,000. Councilmember Barrera seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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AMERICAN LEGION – PROPOSED STREET CLOSURE FOR FALL FESTIVAL

Mayor Barrow expressed he was approached by the American Legion Post #195 with a request to close Borah Street from Columbia Avenue to the end of the property line of the American Legion Building. This closure was requested for the Fall Festival Street events taking place on September 13 & 14, 2019

Council was not opposed, and the consensus was to allow the street closure.

MEETING RECESSED

Mayor Barrow recessed the regular meeting at 6:07 pm to go into Executive session for 10 minutes to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale.

MEETING RECONVENED

Mayor Barrow called the regular meeting back to order at 6:17 pm.

Motion: Councilmember Barrera moved to accept and pursue a contract with the highest bidder received by Jorge Ortiz in the amount of \$23,500 for Parcel #109801010. Councilmember White seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY COUNCIL CLOSING REMARKS

Mayor Lee Barrow – received a request after meeting with Meals on Wheels staff, to have an AED defibrillator installed at the Connell Community Center.

John White – reminded all for the prevention of breeding mosquitos, avoid leaving standing water in containers. Also thanked staff for all the cards of compassion sent to his wife who is ill.

Joe Escalera – thanked staff and everyone who sent him thoughtful cards during his stay in the hospital.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business before the City Council of Connell Mayor Barrow adjourned the meeting at 6:21 pm.

ATTEST: _____
Marissa Ortiz, Deputy City Clerk

Lee Barrow, Mayor