

<p style="text-align: center;">Town of Twisp Council Minutes 2/8/05 7:00 PM</p>
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Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Jones -- Adjourned at 9:45 PM
Council members absent:
Clerk Barb Dale excused, Deputy Clerk Janie Surface filled in

Request for additions or changes:

- Change: Terry Knapton not present
- Addition: Executive Session (Personnel Issue)
 Hotel/Motel Tax Meeting Update (Sue)

Council Member Brown led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the previous meeting 1/25/04 were read and approved as amended. Motion made by Council Member Koptonak and 2nd by Brown. Passed unanimously.

The bills and last payroll were briefly discussed. Motion to approve the current bills and disburse payment (subject to the availability of funds) and approve the current/last payroll was made by Council Member KOPTONAK and 2nd by Schmekel. Passed unanimously.
(See attached back up for more detail.)

Department Head Reports:

Mayor's Update:

- Resignations from Shane and Dave
 - Here through Feb 28th
- Negotiations meeting
 - Moving along – big topic is concerning the police vehicles and whether or not to keep them

Gary McConnell – Public Works Superintendent

- Excused – not present

Police Department– Sgt. Shane Jones

- Excused – not present

Mark Seguin – Fire Chief

- (Absent), but Sheila White represented the fire dept
 - Still in full support of the chief due to the charges to be filed against him
 - Entire dept under stress right now

Airport-Paul Wagner

- 4th of July, Twisp Airport will be 60 years old so they are going to celebrate as part of the July 2nd Fly In Breakfast
 - 7 AM to 11 AM
 - Putting together a scrapbook, etc in honor of this event
- New hanger construction in the near future
- Council Member Koptonak thanked Paul for giving her a copy of the hanger lease costs at similar-sized airports and she will share with the rest of the Council

Administrative-Finance – Barb Dale

- (Excused) Janie had nothing to report

Town Planner—Jeff Thomas

- (Absent)
- Janie updated Council on the upcoming public hearings and the new zoning ordinance update
- Copies in their boxes very soon

Grant Administrator – Melissa Cauley-Evans

- (Absent)

Public Comments:

1. Mark Edson: (Fire Dept concerns)
 - a. Lot of gossip on the street and is concerned about the Town losing it's volunteer dept.
 - i. It is needed and we should be proud of what they've done for the Town
 - ii. Would like Council to rethink this issue before moving forward and sometimes communication can help resolve issues
2. Robin Madison: Discussed the personnel issue and isn't everything out of the Council's hands at this point?
3. Barbara Burns
 - a. Here to support Mark Seguin as well and doesn't understand what the problem really is
4. Sandy Wilde: Would like to start a foundation for the swimming pool. Receive and distribute the funds and the foundation would totally make the decisions on the pool.

New Business:

- Randy Sackett (Hwy 20 Project)
 - Utilize him as the project management lead or inspector on this project
 - Administration of contract and inspections
 - Randy gave a quick introduction of himself and the firm he works for and brought along Ken Duncan who is a member of that firm
 - Gave the benefits of utilizing an independent firm to act in the lead or inspector position
 - 60 year old firm with offices on this side of the mountain
 - Did a similar project last year in Winthrop
 - Understand the reporting requirements for both the federal entity and to CDBG
 - Short question/answer period followed
 - ACTION: But on the 2-22 agenda for further discussion and would like Gary to be here for that discussion
- Patti Yates (Friends of the Pool)
 - Would like the fact that advertising can be put on the fence at the pool be put in writing
 - Presented an idea of what their vision of the pool would be
 - Fish with the names of the businesses in them
 - Marti Darling to do the painting and Jerome from Daily Business donating the needed paint
 - Renewable each year by the business owners

- First year could generate up to \$10,000 dollars and then less for renewable
- Jazz up the building and make the entire area be more attractive
- Council Member Koptonak made the motion to have **Barb to draw up resolution to allow the sale of the fishes for the business owners to purchase.** Motion 2nd by Schmekel.
- EMS or Fire Department Donation Usage
 - Mayor Jones updated the Council on the EMS Campaign and the only ordinance on file from 1986 which states how these donations are to be utilized
 - Commented on the current EMS Mail in Campaign brochure and that it seems to lead people to believe they are donating to the Fire Dept and not necessarily EMS
 - Sheila White & other members of the Fire Dept. spoke to this issue and gave their point of view on the campaign and would like Council to make an ordinance or resolution to denote how the donated funds will be used
 - What ever is left at the end of the year after expenses should be rolled over to the next year or invested accordingly
 - Noted that none of the current officers will step into the role of Chief should this deal with Mark reach that point
 - Letter from Les Stokes was read by Mayor Rose Jones concerning the EMS matter
 - Used to get a monthly report from Toni when she was here
 - **ACTION: Council Member Koptonak stated we need to direct the clerk to look into doing a reconciliation of the EMS funds to date and then put on an upcoming agenda for further discussion and update.**
 - Discussion followed on how the money that is missing can be put back into an investment and the importance of reconciling the funds
 - Possibility of setting up a separate foundation to control these funds and do the fund raiser accounting
- Eagles Property Acquisition Update
 - Mayor Jones updated the Council on the piece of property owned by the Eagles
 - Needs to be purchased prior to the DOT releasing funds for the Hwy 20 Project
 - Eagles said they would be willing to have the Town purchase, but would not be able to donate this piece
 - Eagles to get piece appraised and let the Town know the end result
 - Mayor gave them a quick update on the Eagles plans to put some posts in and utilize chains to keep people from driving across their property
- Water Rate Ordinance Update:
 - Change in number and format

Old Business:

- Action List Update was discussed item by item and updated as necessary
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Meeting adjourned at ____ PM

Attest: _____

Clerk – Barbara G. Dale

Mayor Rosemary Jones