Tulelake City Council Regular Meeting Minutes May 19, 2020

Mayor Ebinger called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM on the teleconference call. Mayor Pro-Tem Marcillac and Council Member Fensler were also on the teleconference call. Council Members Nicholson and Velador were absent. The Director of Public Works, Brett Nystrom; Chief of Police, Tony Ross; City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho; City Administrative Clerk, Heidi Cureton; City Treasurer, Sara Luscombe; City Clerk, Raul Figueroa and the City Building Inspector, John Pemberton were also present on the call.

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 05, 2020 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Marcillac made a motion to approve the May 5, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Council Member Fensler seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-71)

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS.

Mayor Pro Tem Marcillac made a motion to approve the bills submitted on May 19, 2020. Council Member Fensler seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-72)

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A LETTER SIGNED BY THE TULELAKE CITY COUNCIL TO GOVERNOR NEWSOM IN SUPPORT OF SISKIYOU COUNTY OPENING UP TO PHASE 3 FOR OUR SMALL BUSINESSES

Mayor Ebinger believes the City of Tulelake is in a good position to start the opening of its businesses to the public. This action is not only in due course to help local businesses. Jasen Vela, the Office of Emergency Services Deputy Director of Siskiyou County, recommended each of the Siskiyou County cities to submit a letter to Governor Newsom requesting to open to the COVID-19 Phase 3. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to submit a letter to Governor Newsom to encourage the State to let Siskiyou County and the City of Tulelake open up to Phase. Council Member Fensler seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-73)

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A LETTER SIGNED BY THE TULELAKE CITY COUNCIL TO OUR STATE ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATOR, TO OUR FEDERAL CONGRESSMAN AND SENATOR AND TO THE STATE AND FEDERAL SECRETARIES OF AGRICULTURE REGARDING THE WITHHOLDING OF WATER TO THE KLAMATH AND TULELAKE BASIN FARMERS AND RANCHERS DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Mayor Ebinger, informed by many Klamath and Tulelake Basin farmers and ranchers, of the Bureau of Reclamation reducing the amount of irrigation water allocation to less than 25% of a normal irrigation season and the significant economic impact it will have upon the farming and ranching community as well as the impact that it will have on the City. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to submit a letter signed by the Tulelake City Council to the Federal Secretary of Interior with original copies sent to the State Assembly Representative and Senator, to the Federal Congressman and to the State and Federal Secretaries of Agriculture. The letter is in regards to the withholding of water from the Klamath and Tulelake Basin farmers and ranchers during a State of Emergency and global pandemic. Mayor Pro Tem Marcillac seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-74)

MITIGATION PROCESS FOR PROPER REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF THE FIRE DEBRIS AT 645 FIFTH STREET AND OTHER HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WITHIN THE CITY

The Building Inspector, John Pemberton, explained to the Council what could happen if the owner does not removed the hazardous materials properly from the house that burned down at 645 Fifth Street. John stated he has posted a notice on the house and has sent a letter to the owner of the house on April 30, 2020 explaining the steps that are necessary to dispose of the demolition materials. No action was taken as this was an informational agenda item.

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APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR "ON CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES" FOR VARIOUS CITY PROJECTS FOR A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD

City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho and Director of Public Works, Brett Nystrom were looking at many city examples of getting on call engineering services for city projects over the next five years. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to approve to advertise a request for proposals for "On Call Engineering Services" for various city projects for a five-year period. Council Member Fensler seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-75)

MODIFY SIDEWALK WORK FOR SUMMER OF 2020 INTO TWO SEPARATE PROJECTS. THE FIRST PROJECT ENCOMPASSING WORK ON THE CORNER OF SECOND AND B STREETS FOR \$4,900.00

The Director of Public Works, Brett Nystrom, told the City Council that the 2020 sidewalk repairs are to be two separate projects. The first project is for Second and B Streets for \$4,900.00. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to approve the modification of the sidewalk project for the summer of 2020 into two separate projects with the first half being between Second and B Street for \$4,900.00. Mayor Pro Tem Marcillac seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-76)

SECOND READING OF TULELAKE MUNICIPAL CODE ORDINANCE 3.24 TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX (TOT)

City Hall Administrator, Jenny Coelho read the title of the Tulelake Municipal Code Ordinance 3.24 Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT). After that, there were no questions in regards to the new ordinance. Mayor Ebinger made a motion to approve the Tulelake Municipal Code Ordinance 3.24 Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT). Mayor Pro Tem Marcillac seconded. Mayor Ebinger called for a roll call vote. All votes were ayes. Motion carried. (Motion 20-77)

FIRST READING OF TULELAKE MUNICIPAL CODE ORDINANCE 3.28 FIRE TAX

The City Attorney said that an ordinance is not required. A resolution will be presented to the Council at the next meeting. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:38 PM Mayor Ebinger made a motion to adjourn the May 19, 2020 regular meeting. Council Member Fensler seconded. Motion carried. (Motion 20-78)

Henry A Ebinger, Mayor

Attest:

Raul Figueroa Tamayo, City Clerk