

7:00 pm

October 18, 2017

**630th MEETING OF THE
HORSESHOE BEND CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Pat Goff called the meeting to order with Councilpersons Cooper, Green, Fisher and Riley present. Also present, City Clerk Gina Elmer and Attorney Tony Pantera.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilwoman Green made a **motion** to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Cooper **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Councilwoman Fisher made a **motion** to approve the previous minutes for the September 13, 2017 meeting. Councilwoman Green **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to approve and pay the City's bills. Councilman Riley **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

New Business:

- Ditches at WICAP:
Robin Green is asking, on behalf of WICAP, that they be able to fill in the drainage ditches that were placed in the side and front yards of the building. These ditches were required in 2012 when the building was being set up. She says that the ditches seem to serve no purpose and they create a hazard when they are trying to mow. Jobie said that he couldn't foresee any problem with filling them in. Amy Woodruff would like to look into the reasons these ditches were required. She will look at WICAP's file at the findings of fact. Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** to approve the ditches being filled upon approval from the City Attorney and City Engineer. Councilman Riley **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.
- Verizon Contract:
Tony Pantera said his only concern was if the contract would be a long term contract. Mayor Goff said that he thought the contract would be month to month. Tony said that a year contract would be acceptable. Councilwoman Green made a **motion** to approve the contract with Verizon for a year. Councilwoman Fisher **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.
- Computer Arts:
Councilwoman Cooper made a **motion** for the mayor to sign the Computer Arts Contract. Councilwoman Green **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.
- Terrorism coverage:
Councilman Riley made a **motion** for the mayor to sign the rejection of terrorism risk insurance through ICRIMP. Councilwoman Cooper **seconded**. All ayes. **Motion carried**.

Department Updates:

- EMS:

Judith Hutton said that the class is up and running. They will be having an eight hour class on October 28, 2017 at City Hall. She has been working on getting price quotes for the uniforms and hopes to present the quotes to the Council next meeting. There will be a CPR class on October 30th with Jo Ashbrook at City Hall. She is putting another class of EMTs together to possibly start in January since the other class should be finished by then.

- **Public Works:**

Jobie Catherman says that they have been preparing the equipment for winter. The backhoe and dump truck were serviced. They have been working on the PH levels at the sewer plant this will hopefully eliminate the smell. The water plant has been producing about 30,000 gallon per day out of the Payette River since there is maintenance being completed on the canal. They will close the bathrooms in the park the first of November. Councilwoman Cooper would like a newsletter sent out to inform the residents about snow removal and what they can do to help make the snow removal easier. Mayor Goff would also like to find businesses with a public works license, because the City may need to call upon them for help this winter. Councilwoman Green asked if the problem flower beds down Adams had been taken care of. Tony will have a letter sent to the owner of the property and if it is not removed the City will be able to remove it.

- **City Engineer:**

Amy Woodruff presented the Council with a NPDES draft permit. She then proceeded to explain the draft thoroughly and answer any questions that Council might have. Councilwoman Green asked if the city would be able to get a grant for new covers on the sewer lagoons. Amy said that we would work with rural development on the replacement of the covers. There was also much discussion about the strain on our sewer system caused by the RV dumping at Chevron.

- **City Attorney:**

Tony handed out a revision to the water/sewer rate sheet to the Council. This change would allow terminated delinquent accounts to be put into the shut off rate instead of the full rate which is required at this time. If Council wants to proceed with the change or make additional changes a resolution will have to be made.

Public Comments:

Ryan Stirm would like to know the changes that could be made to off set the strain on our sewer system caused by the RV dump at the Chevron. Amy said the City could average their service or put in a meter to monitor sewer usage. She could look into how much other cities charge for this service.

Meeting Adjourned 7:56pm.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor