

June 10, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Chapman City Council was held Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at the Chapman City Office at 7:00pm. Council members present were Mayor Jeff Blixt, Howard Battishill, Dana Gaither, Jim Bell, Tim Jury, Howard Battishill and Clint Thornton. Also present was City Administrator John Dudte, City Clerk Brittany Phillips, and City Attorney John Purvis. Others in attendance were Kevin Diercks, Josh Smith, Becky Blixt, Joni Phillips, Christy Loy, and Janet Meyer.

## **#2 Consent Agenda**

Motion by Jury to approve consent agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Battishill, vote yes: unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

## **#3 Public Comments**

No public comments.

## **#4 Consideration of Blockbuster Fireworks Permit**

Motion by Bell to approve Blockbuster Fireworks Permit, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton, vote: yes unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

## **#5 Mowing Contract with Chapman Housing Authority**

Motion by Jury to approve contract at \$4,000 a year with an annual increase of 2%, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bell, vote: yes, unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

## **#6 Discussion of Payment in Lieu of Taxes from Chapman Housing Authority**

It is the ultimate responsibility of the City to do everything in our power to keep the Chapman Housing Authority doors open, There have been several unexpected budget hits that occurred already this year which is why the Housing Director, Joni Phillips, is requesting that the council consider waiving this. There will be a resolution to consider at the July council meeting.

## **#7 Consideration of Resolution 06102020 – Certifying Authority to Apply for CDBG-CV**

Motion by Jury to approve resolution 06102020, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Battishill, vote: yes, unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

## **#8 Consideration of Ordinance 1032 – Amending Chapter 13-206**

This amendment defines that no tagged vehicle is allowed to drive over the curb and that a ticket can be written for doing so.

Motion by Bell to approve Ordinance 1032, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton, vote: yes, unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

## **#9 Labor Day Fireworks Spending Authority**

Motion by Jury to make the spending limit \$15,000 for the Labor Day Fireworks display, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bell, vote: yes, unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

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### **#10 Discussion of Chickens in City Limits**

There was a survey put out on Facebook requesting citizens vote in regard to having chickens within city limits or not. However, that vote was hard to track because there were many county residents that were voting as well. The next step was to put a survey on the back of each utility bill that was sent out to utility customers and based on the votes from that survey, which showed that chickens within city limits were not favored, council directed City Attorney John Purvis to put together new code regarding birds.

### **#11 Reports**

City Administrator - A new laundromat is scheduled to open soon in downtown Chapman. There have been many power outages with City limits and Evergy has come out to inspect their substation and found no issues with the substation.

Councilman Thornton was approached by several people in regard to the pool opening and what the capacity limit would be. He was advised that the limit would be 50 based on the county's plan and not wanting to mandate contact information for lifeguards.

### **#12 Presentation by Councilman Tim Jury**

Councilman Tim Jury resigned his position as council president and said thank you to Mayor Jeff Blixt for his dedication to the city.

### **#13 Consideration of New Council President**

Motion by Jury to appoint Howard Battishill as new council present, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bell, vote: yes, unanimous (5-0). Motion carried.

### **#14 Resignation of Mayor Jeff Blixt**

Mayor Jeff Blixt resigned his position. He said thank you to everyone who has helped him along the way and he was honored to serve Chapman.

### **#15 Oath of Office to New Mayor, given by City Clerk Brittany Phillips**

Council President Howard Battishill was required to take the Oath of Office as the new Mayor for Chapman to finish Jeff Blixt's term.

### **#16 Adjournment**

Motion by Jury to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Thornton, vote: yes, 3 ayes by Gaither, Jury, Thornton and 1 nay from Bell. Motion carried.