

## Regular Council Meeting

December 5, 2018

The regular meeting of the Arlington City Council was held on December 5, 2018 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Present were Councilors: Diane Wetherell, Leslie Walborn, Denise Ball, Bobby Christensen, Marshall Swope, Susan Jones, Mayor Jeffery Bufton, Attorney Ruben Cleaveland, Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm and Recorder Pam Rosenbalm. Guests include: Leslee Hammer, Cheryl Akers, Bryan Hunt, Kelly Margheim, Marta Mikkalo, Rita Miciak, Tony Price and Officer Wes Garth. Mayor Bufton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance Recited**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Bryan Hunt from Tri-County Veteran's Service office was present and stated he is working on having a day of **activities for Veterans** on the weekend of June 7-9 2019. His ideas were to include a dental van and a mobile health mental center; and is hopeful for support from several entities. Bryan stated tonight he wanted to come and inform the Council and get their support. Mayor Bufton stated he would like to see all groups work together on this. Rita Miciak stated she has had issues on **intersection of Third and Fourth**. When it rains, the water stands at that spot; she requested the city look for a possible drainage situation. Marta Mikkalo questioned on whether the Council had looked into **taping** the Council Meetings.

**COMMUNITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE:** Leslee Hammer was present and reported; the Winter Wallapooloza will be tomorrow, Thursday, December 6, 2018, the house lighting judging will be December 16, 2018. The Lions Club is considering holding a New Year's Eve Ball in 2019-2020; also, there has been some concern on the quality of the rooms at the Rodeway Inn.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The consent agenda consisted of the following items: **a.** Approval of minutes-November 7, 2018. **b.** Approval of bills as listed. Councilor Walborn motioned to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Wetherell.

### **COUNCIL ACTIONS APPROVE OR DENY:**

**Easement with LSN:** Attorney Cleaveland stated LSNetworks didn't get the proposed easement documents to him in time to get into the packets; he will look it over and have it on the January Agenda.

**Resolution No. 692 Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan:** The Council agreed they would like a copy of the Plan for the city file, knowing it is a large document. Councilor Christensen motioned to approve Resolution No. 692 a Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. Motion passed unanimously after a second by Councilor Swope.

### **COUNCILORS REPORT:**

- Councilor Jones had no report to give.
- Councilor Swope had no report to give.
- Councilor Christensen reported there is a new fire truck that will be here this spring, with a 1500 gallon tank and a new foam system.
- Councilor Ball had no report to give.
- Councilor Walborn stated there are no issues.
- Councilor Wetherell questioned who has the fencing that was to be put back between the golf course and the Gronquist Building. Mayor Bufton stated the Gronquist Building Committee took the fence down and stated they would put it back up and work on landscaping between the golf course and Gronquist Building. Councilor Wetherell stated she will continue on this project, and see it completed. Mayor Bufton thanked Councilor Wetherell for her years on the Council. There was a reminder the Christmas Party would be December 16, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.
- Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm reported he had walked around with City Engineer Brad Baird, and there is a lot to be done before the sidewalk project gets started, which will affect the financial side of the project. There is tree removal, retaining walls, fire hydrants, and water meter boxes which all need attention. These issues should be written up in the grant bid. Bill discussed with Brad that the gravel that would need to be used on some of these projects should come from the city gravel pit. Tim Wetherell will be working with Anderson & Perry on the sidewalk project. Regarding the master water plan, Bill worked with Brad Baird, and they have lowered the well 10 feet which helped, but this time of year there is more water in the well. Brad is working on

some other ideas, and he will have the Council review. Bill stated he has access to a mower, so he will be mowing the runway this week. There was a discussion on water sales and what permits the Water Master will issue on a new windmill project. It would appear at this time no permits have been issued. Councilor Ball questioned the amount of tumbleweeds at the Airport R.V. Park, Bill stated the garbage truck was brought up there and those have been cleaned up. Marta Mikkalo questioned the light pole that had been hit down on Beech Street. Bill stated that pole belongs to the Shell/Devin Oil.

- Mayor Bufton stated we are still working on the landscaping projects. Public Works Superintendent Bill Rosenbalm stated Terra Verde from Hermiston will be coming to look at the park and city hall for landscaping ideas and proposals.

In other business, Councilor Christensen asked who owned the sidewalks in front of the store; Mayor Bufton stated the city does. Attorney Cleaveland stated the City Planner has signed off on the LSNetworks affidavit, the Council had discussed last meeting.

The regular meeting was closed at 7:08 p.m.

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Jeffery Bufton, Mayor

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Pam Rosenbalm, Recorder