

**City of Benton City  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Lehman called the February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Council meeting at the Benton City Community Center to order at 7:00 p.m. (00:03:37\*Audio recording begins)

**PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS** Councilmember Stade led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. (00:03:46\*)

**ROLL CALL** (00:04:25\*) Councilmembers Present

**Lisa Stade  
Mary Lettau  
David Sandretto  
Vanessa Coates  
Jake Mokler**

City Staff Present

**Stephanie Haug, City Clerk/Treasurer  
Paula Kauer, General Clerk  
Kyle Kurth, Maintenance Foreman**

Other Professionals Present

**Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC  
Eric Ferguson, City Attorney, Kerr Law Group**

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (00:04:42\*) - **REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Madam Mayor, I'd like to move that we approve the Minutes from the January 17<sup>th</sup>, meeting as written.

**Councilmember Coates:** I'll second.

**MOTION #1-** C. D. Sandretto moved and C. V. Coates seconded to approve the Minutes of the January 17, 2017 Regular Council Meeting as presented.

**VOICE VOTE #1-** C. D. Sandretto, C. L. Stade, C. M. Lettau, C. V. Coates, C. J. Mokler  
**ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**OPENING REMARKS, "HOUSEKEEPING" ITEMS, EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUESTS, ETC.**

(00:05:05\*)

**Mayor Lehman:** We do have a request for an Executive Session regarding litigation. I'd like to add for discussion after General Council Comments, J.2 or J.1 and how long do we envision this to last?

**Mr. Rainey:** Ten minutes.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** (00:06:49\*)

**Councilmember Lettau:** Madam Mayor, I approve the Agenda as amended.

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Second.

**MOTION #2-** C. M. Lettau moved and C. D. Sandretto seconded to approve the February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Agenda as amended.

**VOICE VOTE #2-** C. L. Stade, C. M. Lettau, C. J. Mokler, C. D. Sandretto, C. V. Coates  
**ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**VISITOR COMMENTS** (00:07:03\*) None

**REGULAR REPORTS**

- 1. STAFF REPORTS** (00:07:13\*) **Stephanie Haug, City Clerk/Treasurer** - In packets a) Treasurer Report b) Prosser EDA Grant Writer Report \* **Council Discussion** \* c) 2017 Comprehensive Plan Update Maintenance Report
- 2. ENGINEER REPORT** (00:10:04\*) **Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC** – Applied for RCCF money – Takes couple weeks – Then start Force Main Extension - Bring Facilities Plan for review and approval – Apply for lift station upgrade on Carol – Putting in CPAT application this week

3. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS (00:11:19\*) None

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL:

1. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – ED’S DISPOSAL (00:11:38\*)

Mr. Derrick Dietrich, Ed’s Disposal – Explanation of 2017 rate increases and introduction of Dave Atwell \* Council Discussion \*

2. VOUCHERS (00:18:41\*)

Councilmember Lettau: Madam Mayor, I move to approve payment of Claim check numbers 28230 thru 28254 with EFTs as listed in the amount of \$71,389.96, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

Councilmember Mokler: Second.

**MOTION #3**– C. M. Lettau moved and C. J. Mokler seconded for the City Council of the City of Benton City, Washington, to hereby authorize payment of Claim check numbers 28230 thru 28254 with EFTs as listed in the amount of 71,389.96, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

**ROLL CALL VOTE #3**–C. D. Sandretto, C. J. Mokler, C. M. Lettau, C. L. Stade, C. V. Coates  
**ALL YEAS. Motion carries.**

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION (00:19:28\*)

1. CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE PAY Councilmember Stade \* Council Discussion \*

GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS (00:27:51\*)

1. Executive Session R.C.W.42.30.110(1)(ii)

Mayor Lehman: I can adjourn this meeting and go into our closed session which will last approximately ten minutes.

Ms. Haug: It’s potential litigation?

Mr. Rainey: Yes.

Mayor Lehman: Okay, meeting’s adjourned. (00:28:52\*Audio recording ends)

\*\* Executive Session begins at 7:24 p.m. \*\*

\*\*\* Executive Session ends at 7:34 p.m. \*\*\*

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Lehman (\*)

Councilmember Sandretto: Madam Mayor, I make a motion we adjourn.

Councilmember Stade: I second.

**MOTION #4**– C. D. Sandretto moved and C. L. Stade seconded to adjourn the February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Council Meeting at 7:34 p.m.

**VOICE VOTE #4**– C. V. Coates, C. M. Lettau, C. D. Sandretto, C. L. Stade, C. J. Mokler  
**ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m. (\*)



Linda Lehman  
Mayor, City of Benton City



Stephanie Haug, CMC  
City Clerk-Treasurer

Date: 2/21/17