

**City of Benton City  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER** Mayor Lehman called the October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Council meeting at the Community Center to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS** Mr. Pratt led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members Present

**Dave Sandretto**

**Jake Mokler**

**Lisa Stade**

**Vanessa Coates**

**Mary Lettau (Excused Absence, Out of Town)**

City Staff Present

**Stephanie Haug, City Clerk/Treasurer**

**Margaret Dukes, Temporary General Clerk**

**Kyle Kurth, Maintenance Foreman (Absent)**

Other Professionals Present

**Eric Ferguson, City Attorney, Kerr Law Group**

**Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC**

**Cmdr. John Law, Benton County Sheriff's Office**

**Councilmember Mokler:** Madam Mayor, I make a motion that we pardon Councilwoman Lettau from the meeting.

**Councilmember Stade:** Second.

**MOTION #1 - C. J. Mokler moved and C. L. Stade seconded to excuse Councilmember Lettau from the October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Council Meeting.**

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

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2017**

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Madam Mayor, I make a motion to approve the Minutes as written of the regular meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.

**Councilmember Coates:** I second.

**MOTION #2 - C. D. Sandretto moved and C. V. Coates seconded to approve the Minutes of the October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Regular Council Meeting as presented.**

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

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

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**City Attorney Ferguson:** Madam Mayor, I move to add Executive Session Item #9, Item for Discussion, 42-3110-II, Litigation, to the Executive Session.

**MOTION #3 - C. D. Sandretto moved and C. L. Stade seconded to add Executive Session #9 Item for Discussion, 42-3110-II to the Executive Session.**

**VOICE VOTE #3 - C. L. Stade, C. D. Sandretto, C. J. Mokler, C. V. Coates  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Madam Mayor, I move to approve the Agenda as amended.

**Councilmember Coates:** Second.

**MOTION #4 - C. D. Sandretto moved and C. V. Coates seconded to approve the Agenda of the October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Council Meeting as presented.**

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

## **VISITOR COMMENTS**

**No Visitor Comments for Non-Agenda Items**

## **REGULAR REPORTS**

**1. SHERIFF'S REPORT** Cmdr. John Law, Benton County Sheriff's Office September 2017. The Sheriff's Office will hold a "No-Shave" Fundraiser again this year for needy families. Funds raised last year were \$6,000. Calls for Service were down by 30 calls per service in comparison to 2016. There were 19 infractions issued and no burglaries. Third quarter statistics showed 33% reduction in Departmental Crimes. Thefts were down from 21 to 9. Ms. Haug asked whether Council planned to discuss the Sheriff Department Sub-Station office space. Cmdr. Law stated that the Sheriff's Department utilized space in the basement at City Hall until the Fire Department upgraded their facility to accommodate the Sheriff's Department. Presently, Deputies utilize their vehicles equipped with computers and printers as their office. If Deputy presence at City Hall is preferred and space is available, Cmdr. Law stated that Deputies could utilize the area to complete paperwork or to eat lunch, but if cost is prohibitive, space would not be necessary. Mayor Lehman assured Cmdr. Law that office space will be available in the plan. Cmdr. Law indicated that only a phone line is needed for Deputies.

## **2. STAFF REPORTS** Stephanie Haug, City Clerk/Treasurer In packets

**Code Enforcement Report, J. B. Brown September 2017.** From September 15, 2017 to October 12, 2017 there were 38 contacts with the public. Notice to Comply Warning Reports includes:

- 6 Dog Control
- 8 Dog License and Rabies Vaccinations
- 2 No Garbage Service
- 1 Abandoned Vehicle
- 2 Stop Work Orders due to no Building Permit and no Business License
- 1 Open Burning
- 1 Residing in RV on Residential Property
- 2 No Yard Sale Permits
- 26 Debris, Trash and Leaves

Animals and impounds:

- 5 DOA
- 5 Dogs
- 5 Dogs Returned to Owners
- 2 Animal Welfare Checks

13 Building Permits were issued, with most permits for new housing.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Councilmember Coates inquired about loose horses discussed at the previous Council Meeting and J. B. stated that the same two horses continue to get loose. Councilmember Stade asked whether lost dogs are returned to their owners. J. B. informed Council in general, dogs are returned to owners and that he is familiar with dogs in the area. Photos are taken, intake is recorded, and lost dog inquiries are posted on the City Hall bulletin board. Dog owners have been told by Code Enforcement to contact City Hall with lost dog inquiries, and not to fear being ticketed. If owners are not located within 72 hours, dog information is placed on Facebook, Craigslist and the City website. After 72 hours, dogs are delivered to the Humane Society. This same routine follows for dogs abandoned due to medical issues, and then those dogs are taken to the Veterinary Clinic.

**Maintenance Report – Report in Packet**  
**Treasurer Report – Report in Packet**  
**Business License Report - Report in Packet**

**Mayor Lehman:** Business Licenses issued from August 11<sup>th</sup> to October 13<sup>th</sup> for 13 new businesses.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Ms. Haug stated that only one of the 13 new businesses is located within the City, and the remainder was issued to contractors performing work within the City. Councilmember Stade brought up that online businesses also generate revenue from sales tax but Ms. Haug clarified that sales tax is destination based; therefore, sales tax is coded to the actual delivery location.

**4. ENGINEER REPORT Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering**

**Mr. Rainey:** Within a few weeks, the Angeline Storm Drainage Project will be released for bidding. Additionally, Lift Station #6 with the failed check valve and deteriorated piping at Babs and 2<sup>nd</sup> St. will be released for bids as well. Plans are for those bids to be presented at the next Council Meeting for award approval. Mr. Rainey requested that Council schedule a workshop prior to the next Council Meeting or on a separate evening to review the Water Plan report.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Date and time for the workshop will be November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Councilmember Sandretto:** The Tax Committee Meeting was attended by Councilmember Sandretto and Mr. Rainey. The Regional Metropolitan TIFF, Traffic Count Program, TIFF amendments for 2017 and discussion on Travel Model Transportation 2040 and other general plans throughout the State were reviewed for recommendation and approval.

**Councilmember Mokler:** Councilmember Mokler was unable to attend the Mosquito Control Budget Meeting the previous evening.

**Councilmember Stade:** The Transit Authority Report for the Atlanta trip will be submitted by Councilmember Stade. Councilmember Stade observed five bus line transit developments and learned how bus lines operate in conjunction with Atlanta’s Economic Development program. Some bus stops have bike share programs, locations with tables and chairs, and art with sculptures so that customers can interrelate with the environment. The Transit Authority determined that customers interact better when businesses are located a short distance from bus stops. Also discussed were revenue increase, bus transition and private sponsorship programs. While in Atlanta, Councilmember Stade had the opportunity to meet Department Secretary Chau.

**PUBLIC HEARING – 2018 Ad Valorem Tax & Revenue Sources**

\*\*\*\* Public Hearing begins at 7:13 p.m. \*\*\*\*

**Mayor Lehman:** I will now open the Public Hearing.

**Ms. Haug:** The Public Hearing is open to the public for 1% Property Tax Rate Increase comments. Last year, the total tax rate leveed was \$176,667.48. The City can decide whether to levee a 1% Property Tax Rate increase on that total, which would be less than \$2,000.

**Mayor Lehman:** There were no comments from the public so the public hearing is now closed.

\*\*\*\* Public Hearing is closed at 7:39 p.m. \*\*\*\*

**ITEMS FOR APPROVAL:**

**1. CODE ENFORCEMENT WEEK PROCLAMATION**

The Mayor declared October 23<sup>rd</sup> through October 27<sup>th</sup> as Code Enforcement Appreciation Week and presented J. B. Brown with a Code Enforcement Proclamation plaque for excellent work performance.

**2. RESOLUTION #2017-32 - 2017 E.D.C. CONTRACT**

**Councilmember Coates exited the meeting during EDC Contract discussion.**

**Ms. Haug:** The EDC Contract under discussion ends the contract that is in place for 2017. The criteria would need to be met last year for the EDC to be paid.

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Madam Mayor, I move to approve Resolution #2017-32, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Benton City to sign the Agreement for Services between the City of Benton City and the Benton City Economic Development Council.

**Councilmember Stade:** Second.

**MOTION #5 - C. D. Sandretto moved and C. L. Stade seconded to approve Resolution #2017-32, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Benton City to sign the Agreement for Services between the City of Benton City and the Benton City Economic Development Council.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE #5 - C. D. Sandretto, C. J. Mokler, C. L. Stade  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**Councilmember Coates returned to the meeting.**

**Ms. Haug:** A meeting is scheduled next week with Councilmember Coates to determine whether requirements within the contract have been met. Ms. Bea Baker from the EDC inquired what the process will be for the EDC to receive payment, and Ms. Haug stated that after contract requirements are met, the contract will be presented for payment to Council at the next meeting.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Councilmember Sandretto acknowledged that Council has agreed to work with and support the EDC's endeavors, but going forward, the communication process between Council and the EDC needs improvement. To meet the ten goals established by the City, Councilmember Stade stated that Council and the EDC will coordinate with each other.

### **3. RESOLUTION #2017-33 – UPDATED STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS**

Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC

**Mr. Rainey:** Section 3-11 of the Sewer System Standard Specifications states that sewer lines will be videotaped for inspection by the City. Because the City does not own video equipment, the Specification has been updated to reflect that Contractors or Developers are responsible for videotaping sewer lines. Residential Development Specification Section 5-902 has been updated to reflect that Developers will perform Percolation Tests. Rather than relying on Dry Wells or Percolation Trenches alone, the City plans to install Storm Detention Ponds so that water can slowly perc into the ground. Developers will then be required to create an area for ponds as part of new developments. This process is typical within the Tri-Cities. This is a requirement with the City of Kennewick, and the City of Richland has similar qualifications.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Councilmember Sandretto suggested that the City consider incorporating both park and pond areas within development areas. Mr. Rainey indicated that some pond areas could be 15-20 feet deep, so those ponds would require fencing. In a few areas of Richland, ponds and parks have been incorporated in low areas where the pond area is tiered so that it collects most of the water and individuals know to avoid that area during the rainy season. As a citizen, Councilmember Sandretto stated that the big gravel and rock pond (pit) located off of the freeway by the train bridge is extremely unattractive and not inviting to people. He recommended that verbiage be written so that Developers are required to create a green space around ponds to hide what could become an eyesore if ponds are not incorporated within parks.

**Councilmember Stade:** Madam Mayor, I move to approve Resolution #2017-33, amending the City of Benton City Standard Drawings and Specifications for Public Works Construction.

**Councilmember Coates:** Second.

**MOTION #6 - C. L. Stade moved and C. V. Coates seconded to approve Resolution #2017-33, amending the City of Benton City Standard Drawings and Specifications for Public Works**

**Construction.**

**VOICE VOTE #6- C. D. Sandretto, C. J. Mokler, C. M. Lettau, C. L. Stade, C. V. Coates  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**4. RESOLUTION #2017-34 – CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT – SOLAR PROJECT**

**Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC**

**Mr. Rainey:** At the beginning of the Solar Power Project, Apollo inquired where property lines for the Waste Water Treatment Plant were located. Spink researched and discovered discrepancies over the old railroad right-of-way before it crosses the river. It is apparent that the existing fence line encroaches on the right-of-way property of the old railroad. The exact width to the North of the Railroad from the center line had not been determined, and various drawings and documents annotate that the right-of-way is located anywhere from 50 feet, 75 feet or 100 feet. Spinks is awaiting clarification from the Union Pacific Railroad. The railroad right-of-way has been sold to a private individual who is willing to work with the City to establish an easement that will be utilized for construction and the eventual boundary line.

**Eric Ferguson, City Attorney:** A temporary easement allows the City legal access to the property for construction of the facility until the permanent acquisition is established.

**Councilmember Discussion:** The City has discussed acquisition of this property. Further discussion will occur in the Executive Session. Mr. Ferguson recommended that Council approve the resolution that will authorize the Mayor to sign the Construction Easement to provide a temporary method for access to the property.

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Madam Mayor, I move to approve Resolution #2017-34, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Benton City to sign the Construction Easement Deed with Ken Bricker and Gina Bricker for the WWTP Solar Panel Project.

**Councilmember Mokler:** Second.

**MOTION #7 - C. D. Sandretto moved and C. J. Mokler seconded to approve Resolution #2017-34, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Benton City to sign the Construction Easement Deed with Ken Bricker and Gina Bricker for the WWTP Solar Panel Project.**

**VOICE VOTE #7 - C. L. Stade, C. D. Sandretto, C. J. Mokler, C. V. Coates  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**5. RESOLUTION #2017-25 – PSA- ST. FRANCIS CABRINI**

**Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC**

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Madam Mayor, I move to approve Resolution #2017-35, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Benton City, to sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church for the purchase of property to be used for the extension of City Facilities.

**Councilmember Stade:** Second.

**MOTION #8 - C. D. Sandretto moved and C. L. Stade seconded to approve Resolution #2017-35, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Benton City to sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the St. Francis Cabrini Catholic Church for the purchase of property to be used for the extension of City Facilities.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE #8 - C. J. Mokler, C. D. Sandretto, C. L. Stade, C. V. Coates  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

**6. 2017 CRACK SEAL PROJECT - ACCEPTANCE**

**Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC**

**Mr. Rainey:** BCB performed crack seal for the third year for all projected work. Mr. Rainey recommended that Council accept the project and approve the pay request.

**Councilmember Stade:** Madam Mayor, I move to accept the 2017 Crack Sealing Project as complete as recommended by the City Engineer in the amount of \$38,000.

**Councilmember Coates:** Second.

**MOTION #9 - C. L. Stade moved and C. V. Coates seconded to accept the 2017 Crack Sealing Project as complete as recommended by the City Engineer in the amount of \$38,000.**

**VOICE VOTE #9 - C. L. Stade, C. D. Sandretto, C. J. Mokler, C. V. Coates  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

## **7. CITY HALL FAÇADE – BID TABULATION Alan Rainey, City Engineer, Spink Engineering LLC**

**Mr. Rainey:** No bids were received for the City Hall Façade. Out of six Contractors who were contacted, the two who responded indicated that their schedules were too busy to submit bids by the due date. One of the Contractors stated that fascia work performed during the winter would require installation of a tent outfitted with heat which would drive up bid costs.

**Councilmember Discussion:** The Mayor requested that the bidding process be extended due to waterfall seepage from the sidewalk through the façade that causes mold to form inside of the building. Mr. Rainey stated that bids received by November 7<sup>th</sup> could require 2-3 weeks before construction begins, and time for contract approval and bonding would push construction start time up against Thanksgiving. Because of that, Mr. Rainey stated that most Contractors may not submit bids. Councilmember Sandretto stated that a three-day window for heat could be required for layered materials cure time. Mr. Rainey agreed to speak with Contractors again and report results to Council.

## **8. VOUCHERS**

**Councilmember Coates:** Madam Mayor, I move to approve payment of Claim check numbers 28771, 28807 thru 28837 with EFTs as listed in the amount of \$144,101.46 & Payroll Check numbers 28734, 28735, 28772 thru 28782, and 28806 with EFTs as listed in the amount of \$62,731.99 this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

**Councilmember Sandretto:** Second.

**MOTION #11 - C. V. Coates moved and C. D. Sandretto seconded to approve payment of Claim check numbers 28771, 28807 thru 28837 with EFTs as listed in the amount of \$144,101.46 & Payroll Checks numbers 28734, 28735, 28772 thru 28782, and 28806 with EFTs as listed in the amount of \$62,731.99 this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.**

**ROLL CALL VOTE #11 - C. L. Stade, C. D. Sandretto, C. V. Coates, C. J. Mokler  
ALL YEAS. Motion carried.**

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **1. PARK FEE CALCULATIONS**

**Ms. Haug:** At the previous Council Meeting, the Mayor requested that, as an example, the City utilize a 60-acre tract of land to perform new calculations for park areas. Because the City does not have land parcels of that magnitude in the Urban Growth Area, for comparison purposes, the last subdivision approved by Council was used to calculate park area requirements utilized by other cities.

**Councilmember Discussion:** During the planning process, Builders are required to either set aside land for parks or submit fees to be utilized for parks. Council agreed that the main objective is to obtain area for parks, and the intent is to improve quality of life for homeowners. Whether a subdivision contains 12 homes or 32 homes, space is needed for playground equipment and picnic tables so that families can play and gather. Park land for new areas should be addressed up front in the planning process. For subdivisions, other cities appropriate 25% off of the top, and then designate portions for roads and parks. The end result depends on the size of the subdivision, and subdivisions with fewer individuals could have a set minimum park area ratio of one-half acre. Councilmember Sandretto asked that the discussion be tabled until he has the opportunity to reviews Park Fee Ordinances from local cities.

## 2. BENTON IRRIGATION DISTRICT – AGREEMENT REQUEST

**Mr. Robert Buoy Benton Irrigation District:** Mr. Buoy stated that the BID has been in pursuit of an agreement since February or March between the City and the BID that will allow the District to repair broken or damaged water lines in a timely manner before the next irrigation season begins.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Mayor Lehman indicated that submission of permits each time the District digs up a street requires quite a bit of time. When broken or damaged waterlines were first under discussion, Mr. Ferguson stated that Council was uncertain whether requests for street cuts were on an emergency or as-needed basis. Mr. Buoy indicated that potentially 20 to 30 customers could be without water when a pipe breaks, so the BID's main objective is the ability to restore service to those customers as quickly as possible. If a break occurs, the BID will inform Kyle that repairs are required and if a detour plan is needed. The goal is to only cut streets on an emergency basis without being required to go through a formalized process that could take several days each time, and leave customers without water. The BID has agreed to maintain a Performance Bond, submit proof of insurance and follow City specifications for backfill, compaction, restoration, etc. Mr. Ferguson will review the requirements for a master license to allow street cuts that cross the right-of-way, and then present a recommendation to Council at the next meeting.

## 3. SIGN ORDINANCE REVISIONS

**Mr. Ferguson:** Two weeks ago, the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court in San Francisco ruled that the U.S. Supreme Court Case *Reed vs. The Town of Gilbert (AZ)* did not apply to commercial speech. The U. S. Supreme Court upheld the ruling that cities could no longer adopt ordinances that would regulate signs based on content. In other words, if a sign has to be read to know what it is, then that would be regulating the sign based on content. Because of this ruling, it narrows down changes that are needed for Benton City's Sign Ordinance Code adopted in 1982. If the Sign Ordinance Code is not rigorously enforced, signs that have been installed previously will be grandfathered in and cannot be removed or regulated after revision to the Sign Ordinance Code. Signs based on construction material type, size, location, and zone can be regulated. In the Court Case *Reed vs. The Town of Gilbert*, sandwich board signs set out by a church were not in compliance because the signs had not been picked up within the City Code's allowable time frame. In accordance with their Code, signs were to be removed within two hours after the service concluded. As an example and for review, Council packets contain a rough draft of sign codes from the City of Edmond. In accordance with the State of Washington, political signs are required to be removed within ten days after an election.

**Councilmember Discussion:** The Mayor is concerned that some of the Sign Ordinance Code regulations are time specific, and it would not be practical for the Code Enforcement Officer to ensure those signs are removed in a timely manner. Mr. Ferguson stated that signs displaying crude or vulgar language and considered obscene or meant to offend can be regulated. Councilmember Coates stated that Historic Markers have been addressed in Council packets. Mr. Ferguson recommended that Council defer revision to the City's Sign Ordinance Code until the U. S. Supreme Court either rules or affirms the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Case, and he will apprise Council as new or updated information is released.

## 4. BENTON FIRE DISTRICT #2 REQUEST – TRAINING FACILITY

**Councilmember Discussion:** The Mayor received a letter from Fire District #2 with a request to set up a Training Facility by the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP). Currently, Fire Fighters are sent for training in the Tri-Cities, Hanford and out-of-state, which is a significant cost. Therefore, having a local training facility will benefit both the City and County. The Fire District has requested that the City install concrete pads for their equipment. When the WWTP requires expansion, the Fire Department will remove their equipment and the concrete pads. Councilmembers are concerned that smoke and ash could affect the solar panels and solar arrays at the WWTP. Councilmember Mokler ensured Council that ash should not be an issue. Because spring and summer are tourist season for local wineries, Council recommended that the Fire Department Training Facility restrict training to early morning hours on Monday through Thursday. Mr. Ferguson stated that Benton Fire District attorneys will prepare a draft document for Council to review and mark up.

**5. FUTURE SPLASH PARK LOCATION**

**Mayor Lehman:** This item was placed on the agenda at the Mayor’s request because the Splash Park was the number one Council goal.

**Councilmember Discussion:** Originally, Engineering was planned for the winter of 2017 with completion of the Splash Park by the summer of 2017. Ms. Haug explained that funds for Engineering are available in the 2017 budget, but actual construction of the Splash Park is budgeted for 2018. The 2017 budget was amended to include funds for land purchase, as opposed to carrying funds over into 2018. Mr. Rainey stated that the Splash Park layout can be finalized in 2017, but site-specific items such as water line location, sewer system layout, restrooms and parking cannot be completed until an actual building site is selected. Councilmember Sandretto implied that it will be prudent for Council to wait until a decision on the other project is finalized before moving forward. He also indicated that he is not in favor of locating the Splash Pad at Legion Park, and believes that the public will be much happier with more space and a better parking area.

**6. FIELDS AT LIONS CLUB**

**Councilmember Discussion:** Mayor Lehman asked whether the Lion’s Club area might be a possible location for the Splash Park. Councilmember Stade stated that she will poll students for input because kids come up with excellent ideas. Adults try to figure out what kids need or want, and their ideas generally differ from student-generated ideas. Mayor Lehman stated that Council was not aware of the conversation between Councilmember Stade and herself regarding the park area. The Mayor informed Council that Ron Forsness has agreed for the City to construct a soccer field or other type of sports field on property that he owns. After the Engineer inspected the area, it was determined that the space is not large enough for a full-size field, so the Mayor asked Councilmember Stade if she had an idea what could be constructed with the limited space, and the Splash Park came to mind. Mr. Rainey stated that the area could accommodate a field for younger children. The area to the West gently slopes, and the edge has a steep three-foot elevation which would not work for a large soccer field, but for small children, that would not make a huge difference.

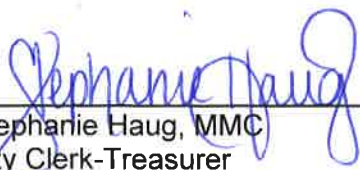
**7. EXECUTIVE SESSION – 42.30.110-1(b)**

**Mayor Lehman:** We will now close the public portion of this meeting and go into Executive Session for 30 minutes.

**\*\* Executive Sessions begin at 8:41 p.m. \*\***  
**\*\* Executive Sessions end at 9:11 p.m. \*\***

**GENERAL COUNCIL COMMENTS** (None)

**ADJOURNMENT** Meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

  
Stephanie Haug, MMC  
City Clerk-Treasurer



Linda Lehman  
Mayor, City of Benton City

Date 11/7/17