

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MEETING OF COUNCIL

July 13, 2020

Mayor O’Callaghan called the City of Union council meeting to order on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance was taken and the following council members were present: Mayor O’Callaghan, Mrs. Thomas-Roth, Mr. Blackwell, Mrs. Perkins, and Mr. Bruns.

Other city staff members attending the meeting were John Applegate, City Manager, Denise Winemiller, Clerk of Council, and Joe Moore, Law Director.

Mayor O’Callaghan called for a moment of silence.

1. Mayor O’Callaghan asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections for the minutes of the June 8, 2020 council meeting. There were no corrections so Mr. Bruns moved that the minutes be accepted as prepared. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. Mrs. Perkins abstained and the other council members voted in favor of the motion. The minutes were approved.

2. Citizen’s and Visitor’s Comments

There were no comments from the citizens and visitors in the audience.

3. Open Agenda

Mayor O’Callaghan commented that since they met last month, cases of the Coronavirus had actually increased. He said that they are not out of this yet, and he asked that residents stay safe, and keep doing what they are supposed to do to keep this pandemic from getting any worse. The Mayor asked that citizens follow the guidelines to help keep this from spreading. He said he was hopeful that things would be improved by their next council meeting.

Mrs. Perkins agreed with his comments and added, that she believed we were in this for the long haul, and suggested that people exercise, eat well, and hang on for next year.

Mrs. Thomas-Roth said that she thought East Martindale Road and Old Springfield looked great after getting repaved.

She also said that someone had told her she could take down her “Save Knoop Prairie”, and she asked if that was the case, and if it was safe now. Mr. Applegate said he

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wished it was safe but it was not safe yet. Mrs. Thomas-Roth said that is what she had thought.

Mr. Bruns asked if there was any need for a second meeting in July and Mr. Applegate said not at this time. He moved that the July 27, 2020 meeting be cancelled. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the motion was passed.

Mr. Applegate said he wanted to add to what Mrs. Thomas-Roth had said about the streets. He said in addition to sections of East Martindale and Old Springfield, the city had also done parts of Carol Lane, West Martindale, and Old Mill up to Sweet Potato Ridge.

Mayor O'Callaghan said he agreed, that all the roadways looked great. Mr. Applegate said that they might try to do a few more streets in September, depending on the revenue coming in.

Mr. Applegate said that they were not able to project the amount of revenue yet since payment of Federal taxes is not due until July 15.

Mr. Applegate said that everything at the plant was going well. He said they were laying conduit and pipe, and backfilling around the tanks which was two-thirds done,

Mr. Applegate said Metronet and another Internet company are installing cable all over town but he said that everything in town was going well.

4. Mr. Bruns moved that the council meeting be adjourned. Mr. Blackwell seconded the motion. All concurred and the council meeting was adjourned.

The next council meeting will be on August 10, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Winemiller,
Clerk of Council

John Bruns, Vice Mayor