

City Council Minutes  
September 21, 2015  
Special Date

Mayor Thayer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Councilors Present: Paul Canter, Harry Myers, Ron Thexton, Lonnie Koroush, and Cindy Canter. Staff present included Chief Operating Officer Jim Minard and Public Works Superintendent Dave Claborn. Councilor Donna Dillard was excused.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Becky Loving asked about turning certain mid-block street lights off given her concerns with security and safety. Councilor Thexton noted the Committee's recommendation to have these six mid-blocks lights removed as unnecessary.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

P.W.S. Claborn discussed his monthly report as sent to the Council electronically and operational updates. He also noted the recent sewer line blockage behind the Legion Hall as an on-going issue.

The Council noted several street signs that were covered with tree branches at 7<sup>th</sup> and Orchard, Dragon Drive and Hwy. 99W. PWS Claborn would address.

C.O.O. Minard reported he would be meeting with Benton County on a new taxing district the County was proposing to fund Extension Services and 4-H; Republic Services would not be requesting a rate increase this year; the final touches on the Reservoir Heights Park were being completed, as the project needed to be done by the end of the month; and he would be meeting with area representatives in two weeks to discuss future plans for the Baily Branch railroad line acquired by Benton County;

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Thayer noted new bills had come in after the packets were delivered last week and new payable sheets were in front of them with the additions noted. Councilor Koroush moved to accept the consent agenda as amended, which was seconded by Councilor P. Canter and approved 5-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Bid Award for 99W Pedestrian Crossing: Mayor Thayer noted the Bid Results Sheet from the City Engineer in the Council packets. Councilor P. Canter moved to accept the bid from Brown Contracting in the amount of \$74,890. Councilor Myers seconded the motion, which passed 5-0.

Resolution No. 2015-07 Transferring Funds: Minard noted that the sink hole at 7<sup>th</sup> and Commercial had exhausted the limited funds for storm water line repairs. The budget needs to be amended and \$3000 needed to be transferred from Capital Outlay to Materials and Services. Koroush moved to approve Resolution 2015—07, which was seconded by Myers and approved 5-0.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilors Koroush and C. Canter had concerns with last month's minutes and use of the term "contribution" for the Nutrition Program's annual payment. Koroush moved to change the term to payment, which was seconded by C. Canter and approved 5-0.

Councilor C. Canter informed the Council of the Beautification Committee's interest in looking at the Main Street Program to enhance the community's downtown. Mayor Thayer suggested the C.O.O, with his experience would be a good source to look into this. C. Canter moved to have the C.O.O research the Main Street Grant program, which was seconded by Myers and approved 5-0.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business Mayor Thayer adjourned the meeting at 6:25 PM.

Signed:   
Mayor Frank Thayer

Attest:   
C.O.O. Jim Minard