

CITY OF FOSSIL
COUNCIL MEETING
FAMILY SERVICES BUILDING
MARCH 13, 2012

Mayor Lorts called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Council present: Roger Morehead, Tom McNeill, Jack Lorts and Angi Humphreys

Absent: Lyn Craig

Staff present: Teresa Hunt and Bill Potter

Community present: Hope Hall, Dan Robinson, Christina Smith, Dan Ousley

Guest: Deputy Mike Garibay

Tom McNeill moved, Roger Morehead seconded: to approve the minutes from the February meeting as written. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Roger Morehead moved, Angi Humphreys seconded: to approve payment of the bills as presented.

LIBRARY

Chairperson for the Library Board Dan Robinson reported to the council that the Sage program is a great asset to the Library. Patrons are able to go on line at home and order books from other libraries in the state or they can go into the library and request a book to be ordered for them. The Sage program pays for the shipping costs for sending and receiving books. The library (City) covers the costs for the bubble envelopes, labels, tape, and etcetera.

MUSEUM

The Fossil Museum had a meeting February 20, 2012. They are going to schedule a day in May to do a general cleaning of the Museum and School House before opening for the summer.

STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Hunt reported that a public hearing will be held on April 10, 2012 at 6:30pm for the purpose of discussing the proposed vacating of 4.5 ft on each side of "A" Street from Washington Street to Waite Street. This is a process that was started back in 1910 and never was finished. This section of "A" Street is at present 75feet wide. The vacating of 4.5 feet on each side would change the width to 66 feet which is comparable to the rest of the streets in Fossil with the exception of Hoover Street which is 75 feet wide.

Mr. Potter stated that the new control meters for the 1st Street lift station have been purchased, but still waiting for some of the parts in order to install them.

- a. The School Zone signs are up on "A" Street.
- b. The side walk on Main Street by the Timber Wolf Café has been cut for removal due to the severe condition of the sidewalk.
- c. The last week in March, 26th – 29th, Bill and Rick will be at Short School Training.

MAYOR/COUNCIL

Mayor Lorts stated that 3 positions will be up for election this year. Council positions 3 & 4, and the mayor's position. The legal notice for the election will be ran in July and interested parties will have until the 22nd of August to have the required paperwork and signatures turned into the city recorder for the November general election.

Councilor Morehead stated the following items he would like to see addressed:

- a. The fire hydrant at the motel either repaired and more secure posts put around it or move it, which would be a considerable expense.
- b. The fire hydrant at clinic needs to be moved, it is directly in the way of traffic.
- c. The water line and meter needs installed at Mike Dorsey residence.
- d. Need no trespassing signs at the Chase Street well and reservoir, and also at the reservoir on Ninth Street. Also need to keep the gates closed and locked at these two areas as well as the two lagoon sites.
- e. Need no trespassing signs at lagoon sites.
- f. Clean up and paint well houses, and the well houses on Washington Street and the Fairgrounds need new roofs.
- g. Dead trees down and lying on city right-of-way on Lyn Craig's property (Old Steiwer residence).
- h. Three vehicles at Wright's Chevrolet with no current tags and are on city right-of-way.

Also numerous road signs that need addressed.

COMMUNITY ISSUES/CONCERNS

More complaints about horses in town and dogs running loose and barking day and night in town.

Discussion ensued as to reinstating an ordinance for animals in the city limits and dog control.

The council directed the city recorder to draft an ordinance for consideration, and that the sheriff's office will help to enforce.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm

Jack Lorts, Mayor

Teresa Hunt, City Recorder