

# COLVILLE PARKING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 29, 2018

5:00 P.M.

City Hall

Chairman Ryke Dahlen called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

## ROLL CALL

Members Present: Ryke Dahlen, Stewart Kent, Karen Abeid, Councilmember Mallory Conner and Avrum Baum.

Absent: Steve Wisner and Councilmember Nancy Foll.

## PREVIOUS MINUTES

Chairman Ryke Dahlen read the minutes from the October 9, 2017 meeting.

## FINANCE REPORT

Chairman Ryke Dahlen presented the financial report. He stated that they have \$71,346.00 as of January 25, 2018. He stated that the year to date revenues are \$2,573.14 and the expenditure is \$2,467.42 with a net gain of \$105.73. Councilmember Conner asked what the year to date expenditures were. Ryke Dahlen stated that it is plowing and snow removal.

## OLD BUSINESS

Second and Main Street Parking Lot Design: Ryke Dahlen stated that there have been some changes made to the design due to requirements of the City Planning Department. The original design had a wagon wheel theme. He stated that the Planning Department felt there could be legal issues with kids or people getting hurt by climbing on them. He stated that there will now be trees in place of the wagon wheels. He stated that the current design is ready to go out to bid if it is approved. He stated that the Public Works Department has estimated the cost to be \$33,169.08. He stated that the cost includes the electric car charging station and a bike rack being donated by the Colville Rotary Club. Karen Abeid asked about lighting. Ryke Dahlen stated that there is a street light on the corner.

Avrum Baum stated that they should collect benches and planters that have been donated to the City along Main Street and use them in the parking lot. He stated that with the money saved on collecting the donated benches and planters a public restroom could be put in. Councilmember Conner stated that public restrooms have been discussed in the Heritage Court design. She stated that there are questions about security, lighting and locking of the facility.

Karen Abeid stated that in order to move the benches they may need to talk to the donors as the donors were able to select where the benches would be placed.

Avrum Baum asked if business owners and employees will be able to park in the lot. Ryke Dahlen stated that they would be able to park in the parking lot. Avrum Baum stated that if they do then there will be no room for others to park. He stated that there is existing water and power lines on the lot that they should consider keeping accessible. Ryke stated that if we do keep them accessible then they would be charged for use. Ryke stated that if they pave over the lot they will need to request termination of services are the water services would be turned off.

Stewart Kent moved to accept the design proposal as presented. Motion died for lack of a second.

Karen Abeid stated that a public bathroom is needed in the downtown area. Ryke Dahlen stated that bathrooms have been discussed and they agree to look into a portable bathroom at this location. Karen Abeid asked if we pave over the water and electricity now, how difficult would it be to access it in the future for a bathroom or electrical/water services. Ryke Dahlen stated that the Parking Commission can not afford a bathroom. He also stated that this is City property and the City can later come in and install a bathroom. He stated that they need to accept and approve the design in order to proceed and meet the requirements by this spring.

Avrum Baum stated that he will second the motion as acceptable but wants it noted that he wants to have it investigated as to the cost to access the water line and have an electrical stub out in the corner for a future bathroom or electrical/water services.

Councilmember Conner asked if diagonal parking had been looked at to allow for two-way traffic in the parking lot. Ryke Dahlen stated that they had looked at it but it was not a viable option.

Stewart Kent moved and Karen Abeid seconded the motion to accept the proposed design as presented.

Motion passed. Avrum Baum abstained from voting.

Updated on proposal to dissolve the Parking Commission. Ryke Dahlen stated that he felt the proposal was premature. He also stated that it was approved to reinforce the clarity of the original statute that solely focuses on parking. He stated that Welch Comer suggested keeping the Parking Commission and starting up a secondary BID.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Second and Main Parking Lot Donation. Ryke Dahlen stated that the City received a donation of \$5,000 from Goodwill Industries to be used toward the parking lot. Ryke Dahlen stated that Mayor Janke sent a thank you letter to Goodwill Industries. The Parking Commission stated that they will also be sending a thank you to Goodwill Industries.

Snow Removal. Ryke Dahlen stated that the snow removal is being done by both the City and Long Irrigation. He stated that Long Irrigation is doing the parking lots behind Burdick's, Statesman Examiner and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and Main Parking Lot. He stated that the total for snow plowing and removal in 2017 from the City was \$3,840.00 and Long Irrigation was \$1,129.80. He stated that expenses in 2018 from Long Irrigation is \$172.16 so far.

Proposed no parking zone for 911 Center. Ryke Dahlen stated that the County would like to have an additional 240 feet reserved for no parking except for Police and Emergency vehicles. He stated that they already have four parking spots in the front of the building and would like 12 more spots on the side of the building.

Avrum Baum stated that he would vote yes but the County would need to pay the BID fees.

Stewart Kent moved and Karen Abeid seconded the motion not to approve the additional no parking zone except for Emergency Vehicles.

Motion passed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Avrum Baum moved and Karen Abeid seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed.

Time of adjournment: 6:12 p.m.